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Causes and Consequences of Child Mental Health

This special issue of the Journal of Human Resources showcases an emerging literature on the economics of child mental health. Child mental health is one of the most important determinants of children’s future economic outcomes. The papers in this volume tackle several critical questions including: Does the increase in reported child mental health problems represent an underlying increase in the incidence of these conditions? Are poor economic conditions in childhood a cause of mental health problems, and how much does this contribute to intergenerational associations in mental health? Are there effective interventions? And what role can schools play? By bringing together a broad range of research focused on the critical issue of child mental health, this volume hopes to encourage new research in this emerging area.

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