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IS YOUR CHILD ON DRUGS?

If you think your child has a substance abuse problem, you need to do something about it. Children who abuse drugs or alcohol are greatly at risk for health issues, criminal charges, unplanned pregnancies and poor school performance. Drugs and alcohol shatter a child's future. As a parent, you have a duty to help your child. Don't wait until the damage is done.



HELP IS AVAILABLE.

The Bedford County Juvenile Court and its partner agencies can help you with assessment, testing, education and counseling for your child. We have helped hundreds of children with their substance abuse problems. We can help you.

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In the past, parents have been reluctant to engage the assistance of the court with their child for fear that the child will be charged with a crime. In a partnership initiative between the Bedford County Juvenile Court, Juvenile Court Service Unit, Commonwealth Attorney's Office, Sheriff's Office, and Bedford City Police Department we guarantee that if you bring your child to us for help, we will not initiate a new criminal drug charge against your child based on what you tell us. This does not apply to children with existing charges or to crimes committed after intake. Nevertheless, if you bring us the problem, we will not use it against you. We want to help your child, not give your child a criminal charge.

READY TO GET HELP.

Contact the Bedford County Court Service Unit in the bottom floor of the courthouse or call 540-586-7645.



Pictured: Captain Jim Bennett, Bedford City Police Department, Andy Crawford, Director, Bedford Department of Social Services, Louis Harrison, Juvenile Court Judge, Daryl Holt, Director, Bedford Court Service Unit, Major Ricky Gardner, Bedford Sheriff's Office.