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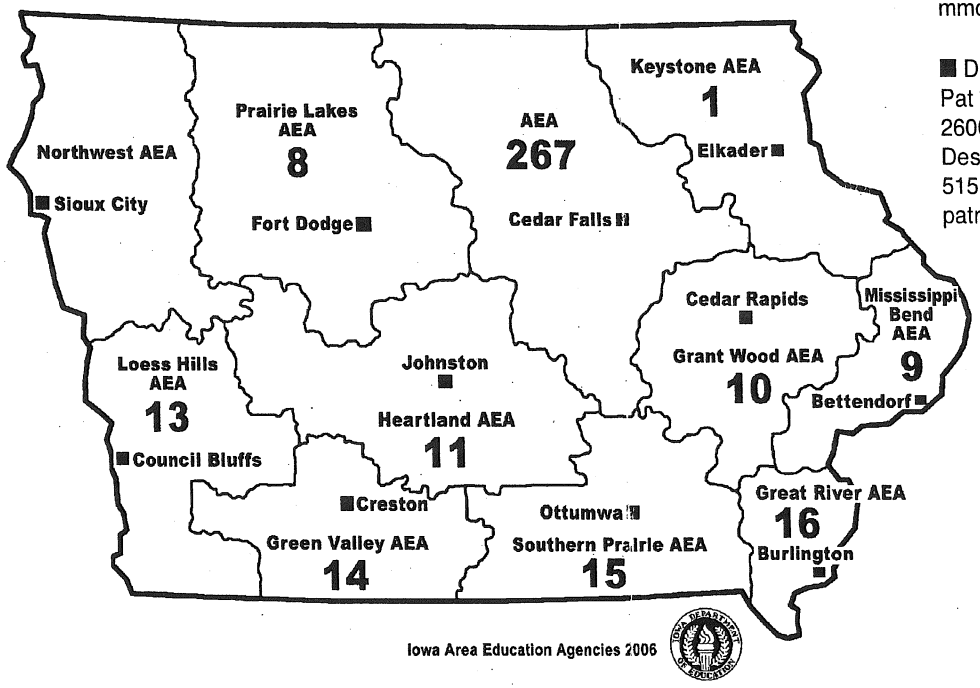

Consultation Service for Students with Challenging Behavior

2006-2007

A COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE

Iowa Department of Education

AND THE

Center for Disabilities and Development
Children's Hospital of Iowa

Students with Challenging Behaviors have Special Needs

As the Center for Disabilities and Development has sought to provide comprehensive services for children with developmental disabilities, the need for consultation regarding the challenging behaviors of these children has become particularly acute. Parents, educators, and service providers throughout the state report frustration in dealing with children with developmental disabilities who exhibit severe behavior difficulties. Behaviors might include self-injury, aggression, destruction, and refusal, all of which disrupt a student's learning and school performance. Finding effective ways to manage these behavioral difficulties requires special support and assistance for the children, their families, and local school staff.

Center for Disabilities and Development

The CDD has a long history of providing clinical services to children with challenging behavior through its Biobehavioral Service team. A collaborative agreement with the Iowa Department of Education provides funds to CDD for consultation to assist specific students, as well as for training opportunities to build and maintain the skills of parents and school teams who serve students with challenging behaviors.

Consultation for specific students could include:

- Telephone or video conference
- On-site visit to local school

Inservice Training opportunities for parents, AEA and school team members include participation in workshops and conferences. For additional information visit www.uihealthcare.com/cdd.

For More Information

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How to Make a Referral

Referrals for student specific evaluations and consultations need to be initiated through your local AEA contact person (listed on the back of this brochure).