Parent Consultation Centers

The Department of Counseling’s Parent Consultation Centers (PCC) is a joint project between Northside Independent School District (NISD) and the University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA). These clinics offer free consultation on childhood behavior problems to NISD parents. Consultation services are provided by UTSA graduate students enrolled in the Practicum in Counseling course. This intervention model targets specific, measurable objectives for parents and students. Student counselors receive intense supervision by UTSA faculty and doctoral students and NISD professional school counselors. In 2006 and 2008, the PCC model was recognized as NISD’s Partner of the Year, really quite an honor. During the 2010 academic school year, the PCC locations are Driggers Elementary School and Passmore Elementary School.

PCC Operating Hours
Maps to the PCCs
PCC Staff Members

Identifying behavioral problems early in the lifespan may help prevent long-term concerns and costs to families and society. Left unidentified, behavioral problems often lead to the development of other illnesses. As a result, federal agencies and state governments have appealed for action, urging counselors, schools, and teachers to recognize early signs of emotional and behavioral problems in children.

These efforts may be especially helpful in coordinating and organizing a “Systems of Care” approach and addressing the wellness needs of children, adolescents, and their families. The public health impact of a brief intervention model is potentially enormous. Brief intervention may serve as the care itself or as a way to facilitate referral for more specialized assistance.