



PREMIER PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

Potential Complications When ADHD is Left Untreated

Preschool



- **Low self-esteem and family disruptions**

School Age



- **Disruptive behaviors leading to family problems**
- **Poor social skills, including lying and stealing**
- **Can be uncooperative with peers, alienation**
- **Unwilling/unable to do chores**
- **Learning delays, homework struggles**
- **School failure**
- **Continued low self-esteem**
- **35% of ADHD children also have ODD**
- **25% of ADHD children also have Conduct Disorder**

Teenagers



- **A variety of academic and interpersonal problems**
- **Oppositional behaviors, temper outbursts, quick mood changes**
- **Lack of motivation**
- **Depression, low self-worth, inner sense of restlessness**
- **Increased risk of suicide**
- **Increased risk of traffic tickets and motor vehicle accidents**
- **Antisocial behaviors and activities, clashes with authority**
- **Smoking**
- **Substance abuse**
- **Sexually transmitted disease**
- **Pregnancy**

Adults



- **Difficulty organizing responsibilities, poor memory, emotional distress, irritability**
- **Frequent job changes**
- **Marital and social problems**
- **Increased risk of suicide, alcohol and drug use**
- **Depressive symptoms**
- **Up to 80% of children with ADHD do NOT outgrow it**