

Attachment Disorders

History of insufficient care

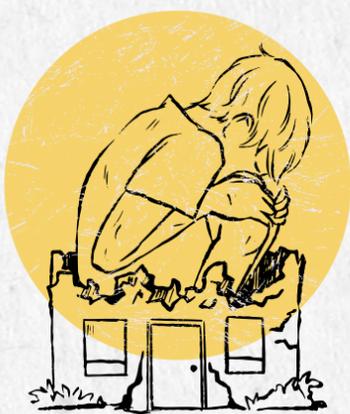


Children with attachment disorders had primary caregivers who did not meet their immediate needs for safety and emotional bonding.

Contributing factors include: abuse/neglect, food insecurity, safety, multiple caretakers, inconsistent and caregiving,

Reactive Attachment Disorder

- Rarely seek or respond to comfort when distressed
- Periods of unexplained irritability, sadness, or fearfulness
- Minimal emotional responsiveness to others



Disinhibited Social Engagement Disorder

Causes for DSED are similar to RAD, however, children with DSED interact with adults without fear and:

- Lack of social boundaries
- excessive familiar verbal and physical behavior toward strangers
- Minimal inhibition around strangers
- Difficulty forming meaningful relationships

Treatment

- Counseling
- Family therapy
- Psycho-education
- Parenting skills course

Without treatment attachment disorders may cause ongoing social, emotional and behavioral problems.



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In 2013 the RAD and Disinhibited Social Engagement Disorder were distinguished as separate diagnosis'.

