

## Child and Youth Services in Germany

## 1.1.13 Child and youth services and healthcare

Child and youth services intersects with multiple areas of the healthcare sector, making cooperation between the two systems essential. Key cooperation partners of child and youth services include:

- child and youth psychiatry, including the perennial issue of responsibility for children/adolescents with disruptive behaviours;
- adult psychiatry, on the one hand for caring for young adults (in receipt of youth services) and on the other in the context of supporting children of parents with mental health issues;
- paediatrics in the context of recognising and averting various forms of endangerment to the child's welfare;
- medical health professionals in the context of establishing "early intervention services" for children under the age of 3.