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The good behavior game - a universal classroom behavior management method to reduce aggressive and disruptive behavior as contributing factors for initial substance use on adolescent

S tudy of human temperament stated that a person with disruptive and aggressive behavior in the middle childhood or early adolescence has been shown to be more vulnerable to develop substance use behaviour in later life. Such behavior has been identified mostly in the classrooms at school. The good behavior game (GBG) is an evidence-based classroom-wide, teacher-implemented intervention that aims to improve classroom behavior by reducing off-task and aggressive, disruptive behavior, and/or increase appropriate behavior. This method will help and promote the adolescent about the good role of a student and develop new sets of skills. These procedures basically involves identifying target behaviors, posting rules, identifying reinforcers, dividing classes into two equal teams, identifying rule violators by name and stating their infractions, debiting public team for infractions, and awarding daily and weekly prizes to the team with the least infractions. Many researches have shown that the GBG is an effective way to prevent initial substance use behavior in the school schedule for up to 3 months. The entire study involved an initial adaptation period, including training for teachers and mentors, followed by a follow-up phase. This study may be considered as the first evidence-based approach for school-based drug prevention program that was applied in Indonesia, since the scare tactics and direct inoculation were still common techniques that are being used in most of the schools in Indonesia.

Biography

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