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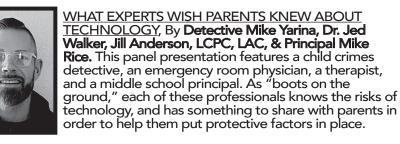


SOCIAL MEDIA SIDE EFFECTS: ADDRESSING RISING RATES OF MENTAL ILLNESS IN OUR YOUTH, By Mitch Prinstein, PhD, ABPP, Chief Science Officer of the American Psychological Association & Eva Telzer, PhD, Associate Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience at UNC Chapel Hill Drs. Prinstein and Telzer deconstruct the psychological science on youths' technology and social media use so you can understand what scientists have found, what it means for youth today, and what you can do to help. The results are sometimes frightening, but there is hope, especially if parents, educators, and policy-makers take action now.











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