Neurotechnologies are an increasingly common treatment option for drug resistant epilepsy (DRE).

Learning about the experiences of others with neurotechnology can help guide decision-making.

**HOW DOES DRE AFFECT THE LIVES OF YOUTH?**
- Interference with school and recreational activities
- Anxiety about future seizures

**WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO YOUTH?**
- Trust in the medical team
- Support from loved ones

**WHAT OUTCOMES MATTER MOST?**
- Seizure reduction
- Return to extracurricular activities
- Improved mental health
- Greater freedom
- More time for social life
- More independence
- Greater success in school

**HOW DOES TREATMENT IMPACT THE LIVES OF YOUTH?**
- Fewer seizures
- Greater success in school

**TAKE-HOME MESSAGES**
- DRE interferes with important aspects of life.
- The journey of treatment is made easier by trust and support.
- Youth live happier and more productive lives when treatment matches with their values and hopes.

**ABOUT THIS STUDY**
Data gathered from interviews with 10 children, teens, and young adults about neurotechnology.

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