



The Mental Health Technology Transfer Center Network: Strategies for Building Comprehensive School Mental Health Services

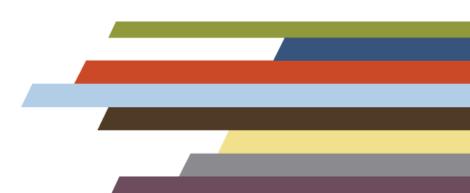
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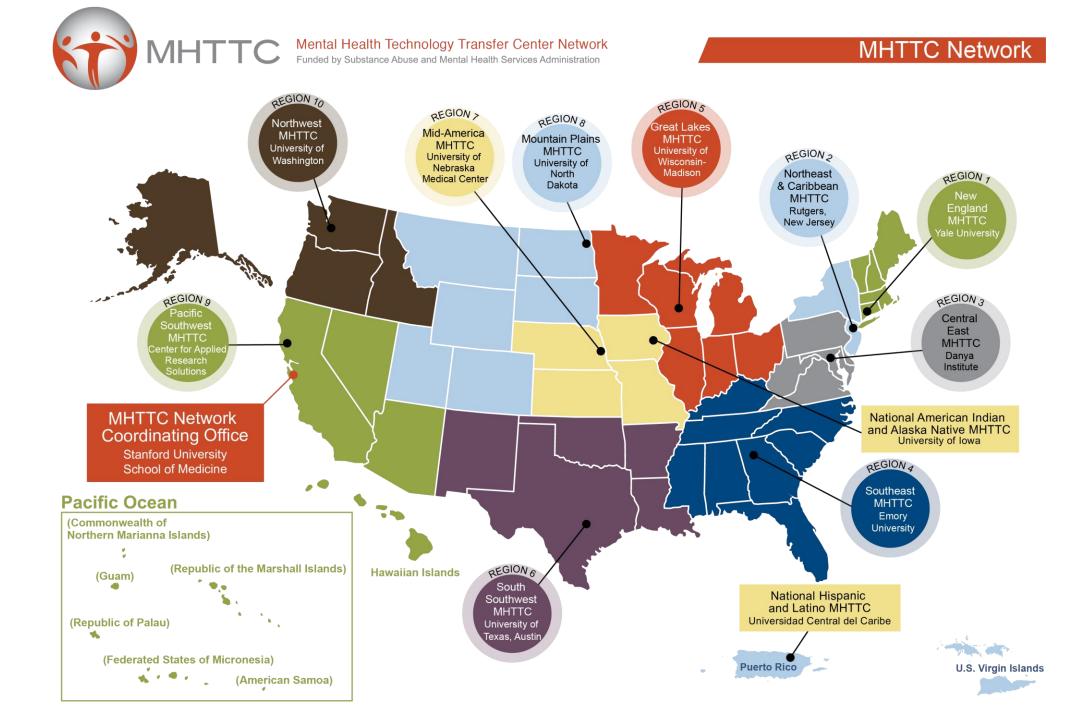


Agenda

- MHTTC Network and NCSMH
 Introduction
- Overview of National School Mental Health Curriculum
- Plans for Year 2 of the MHTTC School Mental Health Initiative
- Q&A



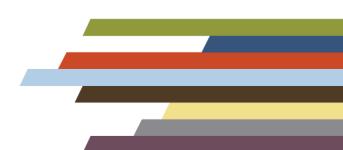




MHTTC Network Goals

- **Technology Transfer**: Accelerate the adoption and implementation of mental health related evidence-based practices spanning prevention, treatment and recovery.
 - Provide free local and regional training and technical assistance
 - Develop and disseminate resources
 - Heighten the awareness, knowledge, and skills of the mental health workforce
- Funding for this 5-year project began on August 15, 2018.
- www.mhttcnetwork.org





How We Provide Training and TA

- The TTCs develop yearly workplans through needs assessments, advisory boards, and input from key stakeholders including state MH commissioners and SAMHSA Regional Administrators
- Centers consider:
 - Spread of services across the region/population
 - Intensity of services: universal, targeted, and intensive
 - Flexibility to respond to emerging needs
- Implementation science informs our strategies
 - Consider the context what is really needed to move an evidence-based practice forward?
 - Organizational development, systems work, policy, training, technical assistance
 - Use implementation strategies specific to the need
 - Maximize impact on service delivery systems



MHTTC Network's Areas of Focus

Centers have multiple areas of expertise; the area of focus is a specific topic for which Centers serve as consultants to the Network, develop national products, host topic area on website.

MHTTC Center	Area of Focus
National American Indian & Alaska Native MHTTC	Culturally informed, EBPs in treatment and assessment of mental health disorders in Native populations
National Hispanic & Latino MHTTC	Mental health promotion, prevention, intervention, and recovery support services for Hispanic and Latino populations
New England MHTTC	Recovery-oriented practices, including recovery support services
Northeast & Caribbean MHTTC	EBPs for serious mental illness (SMI): supported employment, illness management & recovery, supported housing, and supported education
Central East MHTTC	Suicide prevention in the context of race, ethnicity, age and sexual orientation
Southeast MHTTC	Population-based approaches to managing SMI
Great Lakes MHTTC	Process improvement for mental health care delivery systems
South Southwest MHTTC	Early childhood mental health
Mid-America MHTTC	Integration of primary and mental health care
Mountain Plains MHTTC	Rural mental health
Pacific Southwest MHTTC	Youth and young adults of transitional age with or at risk for SMI
Northwest MHTTC	EBPs for psychosis including CBT for psychosis and assertive community treatment (ACT)

MHTTC Events & Products

Website has searchable calendar and products database

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Webinar: Part 2 Older Adults and Serious Mental Illnesses

Publication Date: March 28, 2019

Developed By: Northeast & Caribbean MHTTC

Keywords: Evidence Based Practices | Mental Health | Older Adults | Serious Mental Illness (SMI) treatment

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Mental Health is Public Health The Incredible Years[®] Basics and Home Visiting Parent **Education Training Programs** Northwest (HHS Region 10) 8:00am - May 7, 2019 Mental Health Technology Transfer Center Network 8:00am - April 22, 2019 Hosted By: Central East MHTTC Hosted By: South Southwest MHTTC MidAtlantic AIDS Education and Training Center August 7, 2019 **Commons Conference Center** 100 Cranberry Woods Drive 10100 Burnet Road Cranberry Township, PA 16066 **Research Brief: The importance of human** Bld 137, Balcones Room United States Austin, TX 78758 relationships, ethics and recovery-orientated values **United States** in the delivery of CBT for people with psychosis Alison Brabban, Rory Byrne, Eleanor Longden & Anthony P. Morrison (2016) Suicide Risk Assessment Training HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL Department of Psychiatry 9:30am - May 31, 2019 | Timezone: US/Eastern FACTSHEET Mental Health Technology Transfer Center Network the brookline center Hosted By: Southeast MHTTC eth Israel Deacones Crisis Intervention Team THE WHY, WHAT, AND HOW: School and Work ADDRESSING THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS Leadership Course OF MENTAL HEALTH IN THE **Coaching for Youth** PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION 1:00pm - March 17, 2019 BY TAMU NOLFO, PHD at Clinical High Risk Hosted By: Mid-America MHTTC for Psychosis alth providers published by the California Department of

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Centers Across The Network



Visit the MHTTC website:

www.mhttcnetwork.org

Click on "Your MHTTC"

- Regional Centers
- National American Indian & Alaska Native Center
- National Hispanic & Latino Center

School Mental Health Initiative

- Two-year supplement
- 300 trainings and events in Year 1
- About 10,500 participants reached

When There is One School Counselor: Strategies to Reach All Students Nevertheless

10:00pm - June 18, 2019

Hosted By: Pacific Southwest MHTTC

Engaging and Honoring Families as Partners in Supporting Student Mental Health

1:00pm - September 24, 2019 | Timezone: US/Central

Hosted By: Mid-America MHTTC

Holiday Inn Des Moines Airport Conference Center

Suicide Prevention Forum for Families and School Students

6:30pm - April 2, 2019

Hosted By: Central East MHTTC

Severna Park High School



FOC Mental Health Technology Transfer Center Network Funded by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

After a School Tragedy...Readiness, Response, Recovery, & Resources

Acts of violence, suicide, and other tragedies affect many school communities. In 2018, there were 82 school shootings, the highest number since 1970 (CHDS, 2019). Death by suicide is currently the 2nd leading cause of death among teenagers, next to [car] accidents (CDC, 2018). In 2017, 2 out of every 100 teenagers made suicide attempts serious enough to require medical treatment; 7 out of 100 attempted suicide (CDC, 2019).

These tragedies have a wide-ranging impact on the school community that extends far beyond the events of the day. Secondary trauma and complicated grief affect students, families, and school staff in ways that may appear immediately following a school tragedy or weeks, months, or years later. Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida is facing another wave of painful challenges after death by suicide of two student survivors of the March 14th, 2018, school shooting that resulted in 17 student and teacher deaths.

This resource is designed to help schools better support students and families in the aftermath of violence and trauma. We provide strategies to assist schools with readiness, response, and recovery to help a school community support resilience in the event of a tragedy. We offer places to turn for more resources. We discuss terminology and concepts related to suicide and grief. Finally, we highlight the importance of providing culturally responsive services, with example cultural considerations for schools to help Hispanic/Latino students struggling with grief and trauma.





Creating Trauma-Informed Policies: A Practice Guide for School and Mental Health Leadership By Leora Wolf-Prusan, EdD

Collaboration

The National School Mental Health Curriculum was co-developed by the Mental Health Technology Transfer Center (MHTTC) Network and the National Center for School Mental Health (NCSMH) at the University of Maryland School of Medicine.





National Center for School Mental Health (NCSMH)

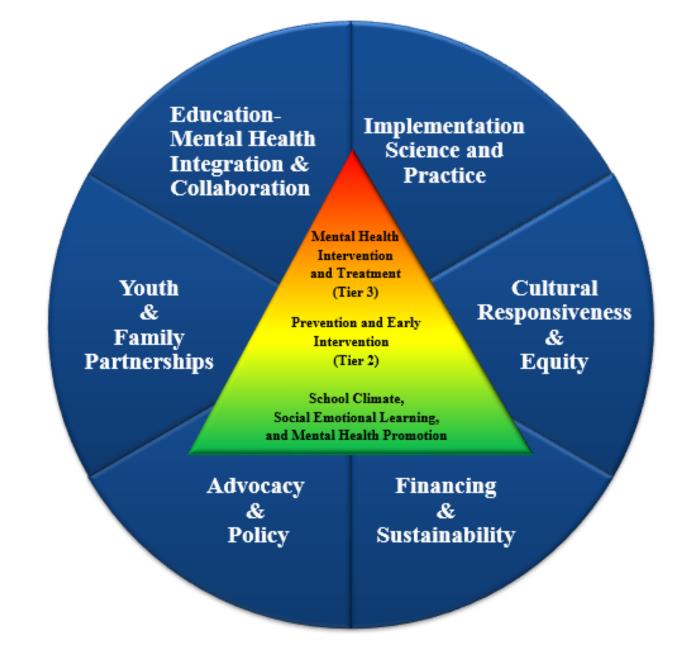
- Established in 1995 with funding from the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration
- The NCSMH mission is to strengthen policies and programs in school mental health to improve learning and promote success for America's youth.





Visit the NCSMH website at www.schoolmentalhealth.org







NCSMH Annual Conference on Advancing School Mental Health

- 1996 Baltimore, MD
- 1997 New Orleans, LA
- 1998 Virginia Beach, VA
- 1999 Denver, CO
- 2000 Atlanta, GA
- 2002 Philadelphia, PA
- 2003 Portland, OR
- 2004 Dallas, TX
- 2005 Cleveland, OH
- 2006 Baltimore, MD
- 2007 Orlando, FL
- 2008 Phoenix, AZ

- 2010 Albuquerque, NM
- 2011 Charleston, SC
- 2012 Salt Lake City, UT
- 2013 Arlington, VA
- 2014 Pittsburgh, PA
- 2015 New Orleans, LA
- 2016 San Diego, CA
- 2017 Washington, DC
- 2018 Las Vegas, NV
- 2019 Austin, TX (Nov 7-9)
- 2020 Baltimore, MD (Oct 29-31)

Curriculum Development

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Curriculum Overview

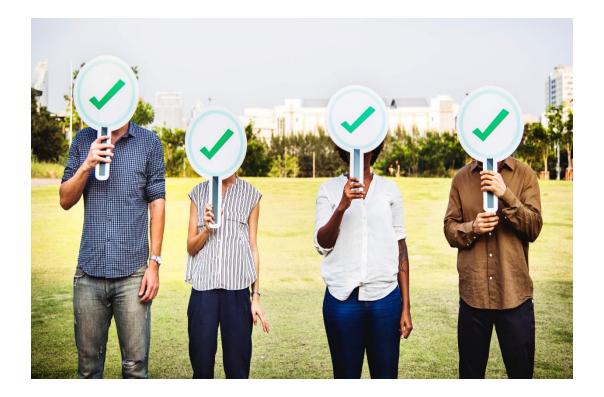
Mod 1 Foundations of Comprehensive School Mental Health	
Mod 2 Teaming	Mental Health Technology Transfer Center Network Funded by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
Mod 3 Needs Assessment & Resource Mapping	
Mod 4 Screening	
Mod 5 Mental Health Promotion for All (Tier 1)	
Mod 6 Early Intervention and Treatment (Tiers 2/3)	National School Mental Health Curriculum:
Mod 7 Funding and Sustainability	Guidance and Best Practices for States, Districts, and Schools Trainer Manual
Mod 8 Impact	

What is Comprehensive School Mental Health?

Comprehensive School Mental Health Systems

- Provide a full array of supports and services that promote positive school climate, social emotional learning, mental health and well-being, while reducing the prevalence and severity of mental illness
- Built on a strong foundation of district and school professionals, including administrators and educators, specialized instructional support personnel (e.g., school psychologists, school social workers, school counselors, school nurses, other school health professionals) in strategic partnership with students, families and community health and mental health partners
- Assess and address the social and environmental factors that impact health and mental health

Core Features



- Educators and Student Instructional Support Personnel
 - Adequate staffing and support
 - Trained to address student mental health in schools
- Collaboration and Teaming
 - Youth and Families
 - Community Health/Mental Health and Other Partners
- Multi-Tiered System of Supports
 - Mental health promotion support (Tier 1)
 - Early intervention and treatment services and supports (Tiers 2-3)
- Evidence-Informed Services and Supports
- Cultural Responsiveness and Equity
- Data-Driven Decision Making

Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)

Tier 3

Targeted interventions for students with serious concerns that impact daily functioning

Tier 2

Supports and early intervention for students identified through needs assessments as at-risk for mental health concerns

Tier 1

Promotion of positive social, emotional, and behavioral skills and overall wellness for all students

Professional development and support for a healthy school workforce

Family-School-Community partnerships

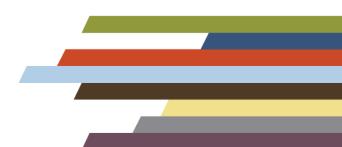
Target Audience

District teams that can influence, develop and oversee school mental health systems at the school district and building levels.



District teams may include:

- School District Leaders (e.g., superintendent, school board)
- School Administrators (e.g., Principal, Assistant Principal)
- District Mental Health Director or Student Services Supervisor (e.g., Director of Student Services, District Supervisor School Psychologists/Social Workers/Counselors)
- Community Behavioral Health Agency Supervisor/Director (e.g., clinical director of an agency that provides school-based services in the district)
- Youth/Family Advocate or Consumer



Training Goals and Objectives

Module 1: Foundations of Comprehensive School Mental Health

Training Goals and Objectives

Help participants understand the definition, core features, and value of comprehensive school mental health systems.

By the end of this module, participants will be able to:

- 1. Define comprehensive school mental health systems.
- 2. Describe the 6 core features of comprehensive school mental health systems.
- 3. Describe 3 reasons why comprehensive school mental health is important.

Design and Time – Module 1

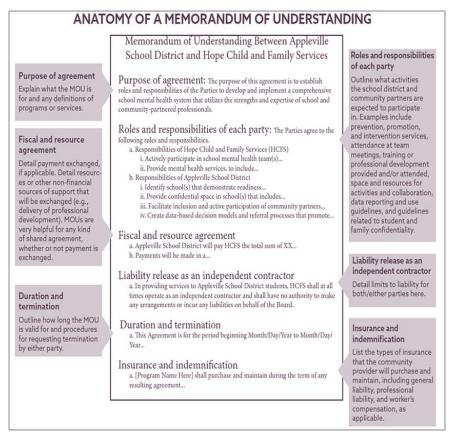
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Introduction	Curriculum overview and target audience	Curriculum Development and Overview Target Audience	5 minutes
Alignment with School Mental Health Quality Assessment	Explain quality indicators and best practice guidelines that will be included in all modules	 Alignment with the National SMH-QA Overview of Quality Domains Present The SHAPE System 	10 minutes
Comprehensive School Mental Health Systems	Review each component of CSMHS and data demonstrating CSMHS value	 Definition Core Features Value District and State Examples 	30 minutes
	Share examples from the field Reflection on which core features are present and needing development in participants' schools/district		
Strategic planning	District strategic planning for comprehensive school mental health	 State specific goal for CSMHS Three action steps to advance goal 	15 minutes

Design and Time

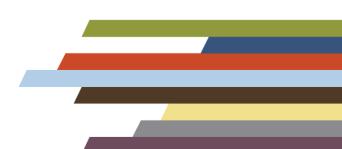
Resources

MOU Components

- Purpose of agreement
- Entities involved
- Roles and responsibilities of each party
- Fiscal and resource agreement
- Liability release as an independent contractor
- Duration and termination clause
- Insurance and indemnification







Suicide Prevention in Schools

- Background and prevalence
- Suicide risk factors
- Role of school in suicide prevention and postvention
- Resources



Suicide Prevention In Schools

By Maureen Underwood, LCSW, CGP

Any school that has been touched by a student suicide is avare of the tragic reality of the national statistics surrounding suicide. Suicide has become the second leading cause of death for youth aged 10 to 24. In 2014, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that the suicide rate of middle school students had doubled since 2007, surpassing the rate of those aged 10 to 14 who died in car crashes.¹

The pervasiveness of suicidally in youth is captured more directly every other year by the CDC in its Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS). This survey provides data representative of 9th through 14th grade student in public and private schools throughout the country. It monitors health-risk behaviors that contribute to the leading causes of death, and it provides some insight through anonymous reports by students of risky behaviors.

Consider, for example, the 2017 YRBS data on four survey questions that deal specifically with suicide risk²:

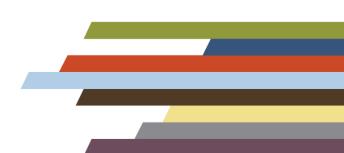
QUESTION	PERCENTA
 During the past 12 months, did you ever feel so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that you stopped doing some usual activities? 	29.9%
2. During the past 12 months, did you ever seriously consider attempting suicide?	17.7%
3. During the past 12 months, did you make a plan about how you would attempt suicide?	14.6%
4. During the past 12 months, did you attempt suicide one or more times?	8.6%

These troubling statistics tell us that at any point in an academic year, a significant percentage of students sitting in classrooms across the country are having thoughts of suicide. What we do not necessarily know is who these children are, when they first have



passive thoughts of death, or what the prevalence of suicidal thoughts are in younger populations. We also need additional research on the predictors of first attempts that may lead to suicide death, as well as a better understanding of why suicide risk escalates so dramatically during the transition from childhood to adolescence (REF: Gienn & Nock). These questions highlight the need for a better understanding of the behavioral health challenges that can lead to thoughts of suicide and their interactive effect on worsening academic performance.

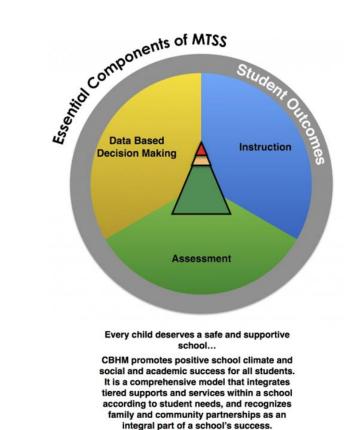
Although there are many unanswered questions about suicide risk in youth, recent data does suggest an association between suicidality and academic outcomes. Data from the 2015 YRBS shows that students with higher academic grades are less likely to consider or attempt suicide compared to students with lower grades. For example, 23% of high school students with mostly As indicated that they had experienced a sustained period of sadness (over two weeks) that had caused them to change their usual activities, in comparison, 47% of students with mostly D/F's responded that they had experienced such a period of sadness. Only 14% of students with mostly A's seriously considered attempting suicide (question 3)



District Example

Boston Public Schools Comprehensive Behavioral Health Model

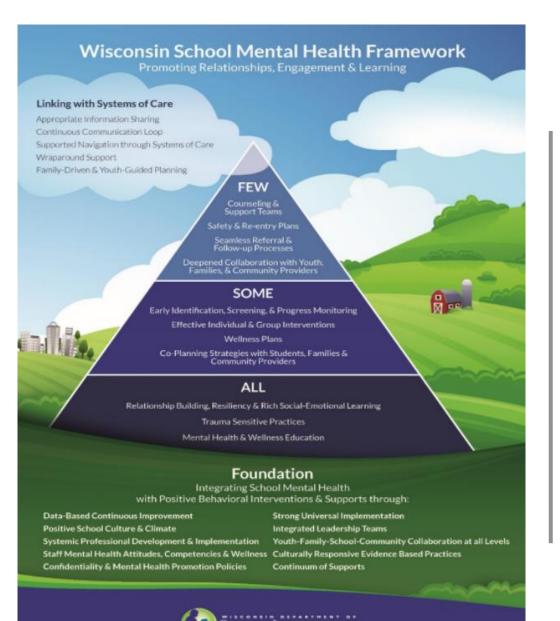




We are so glad you are here!

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Resources



State Example

Wisconsin's School Mental Health Initiative

- 3 supporting grants:
 - Safe Schools Healthy Students
 - Project AWARE
 - School Climate Transformation
- State School Mental Health Framework

www.schoolmentalhealthwisconsin.org/

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Quality Indicators

Each module aligns with the national performance domains and indicators of comprehensive school mental health system quality.

National School Mental Health Quality Assessment (SMH-QA; NCSMH, 2019)

Best Practices

- Quality indicators have best practice guidelines
- Used to self-assess indicator implementation and guide strategic quality improvement planning

Overview of School Mental Health Quality Domains and Indicators

Quality Domains

- Teaming
- **Needs Assessment and Resource** Mapping
- Mental Health Promotion for All • (Tier 1)
- Early Intervention and Treatment • Services and Supports (Tiers 2/3)
- Screening
- Impact ۲
- Funding and Sustainability ۲

School Mental Health National Quality Assessment **Overview of Domains and Indicators**



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Teaming

 Multidisciplinary teams · Youth and family partnership Community partnerships Addresses all tiers · Avoid duplication and promote efficiency Best practices for meeting structure/process Delineated roles/responsibilities Effective referral processes to school and community services Data-based decisions to determine student interventions Data sharing

TIER 1 **Mental Health Promotion** Services & Supports

• Tier 1 Services and Supports: School Climate Positive Discipline Practices Teacher and School Staff Well-Being
 Mental Health Literacy Positive Behaviors and Relationships
 Social Emotional Learning

 Determine whether services and supports are evidence-informed Ensure fit with strengths, needs, cultural, and linguistic considerations · Ensure adequate resources for implementation · Provide interactive training and ongoing supports Monitor fidelity

Screening

· Use best practices for mental health screening planning and implementation Indicate the number of students:

· Enrolled in school Formally screened in the absence of known risk factors

· Identified as being at-risk or already experiencing a mental health problem

· Referred to a mental health service following identification Of students screened, how many screened for [specific

mental health areas]

Impact

 # of students who: Were eligible to receive Tier 2 or Tier 3 school mental health services Received at least one Tier 2 or Tier 3 service Demonstrated documented improvement in educational functioning Demonstrated documented improvement in social, emotional and behavioral functioning



 Assess student mental health needs Assess student mental health strengths · Use needs assessment results to select, plan and implement services and supports · Conduct resource mapping to identify existing services and

supports · Use resource map to select, plan and implement services and supports

Align existing services and supports

Early Intervention and TIERS 283 **Treatment Services & Supports**

- · Provide access to needed services and supports Determine whether services are evidence-informed Ensure all services and supports are evidence-informed Ensure fit with strengths, needs, cultural, and linguistic
- considerations · Ensure adequate resources for implementation
- Provide interactive training and ongoing supports Monitor fidelity
- · Ensure intervention goals are SMART
- Monitor student progress across tiers
- Implement a systematic protocol for emotional and behavioral crisis response

Funding and Sustainability

- Use multiple and diverse funding and resources to support full continuum of school mental health Leverage funding and resources to attract potential contributors
- Have strategies in place to retain staff Maximize expertise and resources of partners to support ongoing
- professional development
- Have funding and resources to support: Tier 1 (mental health promotion) services
- Tier 2 (early intervention) services
- Tier 3 (treatment) services
- Maximize reimbursement for eligible services

 Use best practices to Document impact on educational outcomes · Document impact of social, emotional, and behavioral outcomes Disaggregate student mental health service and support data to examine student-level outcomes based on sub-population characteristics Document and broadly report the impact of your comprehensive school mental health system

For a full copy of the school mental health national quality assessment, visit www.theSHAPEsystem.com

(NCSMH, 2019)

Quality Indicators

- Tier 1 Services and Supports:
 - School Climate
 - Teacher and School Staff Well-being
 - Positive Behaviors and Relationships
 - Positive Discipline Practices
 - Mental Health Literacy
 - Social Emotional Learning
- Determine whether services and supports are evidence-informed
- Ensure all services and supports are evidenceinformed
- Ensure fit with strengths, needs, cultural, and linguistic considerations
- Ensure adequate resources for implementation
- Provide interactive training and ongoing supports
- Monitor fidelity

National School Mental Health Curriculum



Take a Tour From our program quality and trauma responsivene ents and feedback reports to our extensive library o ree and low-cost screening and assessment measures APE delivers the tools you need to improve your school district's mental health programs and increase your grant tunities. Take the tour to lea



SHAPE helps districts and schools improve their school mental health systems! HOW?



SHAPE Features

School & District Profiles	Quality Assessment & Resources	District & State Dashboards	Screeting & Assessment Library	Trauma-Responsive School Assassment & Resources
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School Health Assessment and Performance Evaluation (SHAPE) System

Take a tour - https://tour.theshapesystem.com/

SHAPE helps districts and schools improve their school mental health systems! HOW?



SHAPE users map their school mental health services and supports



Assess system quality using national performance standards

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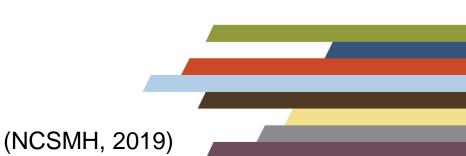
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Utilize additional SHAPE features including the Screening and Assessment Library and Trauma-Responsive Schools Assessment and Resources

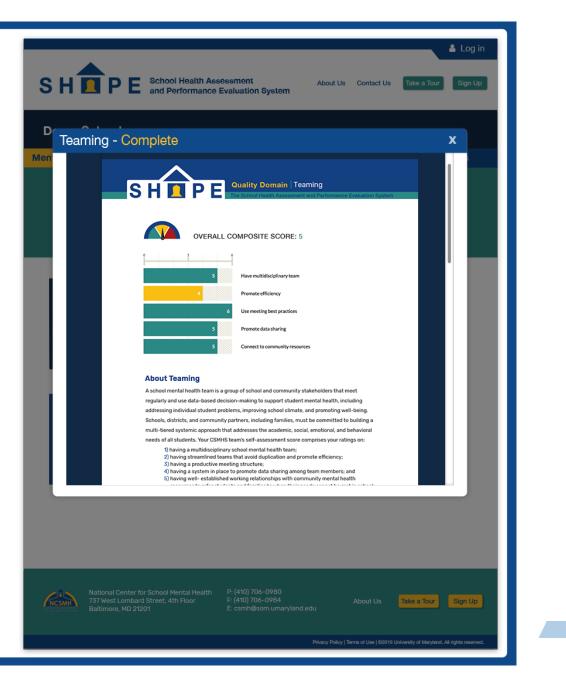
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Use state and district dashboards to collaborate with schools in your region



Assessments & Reports

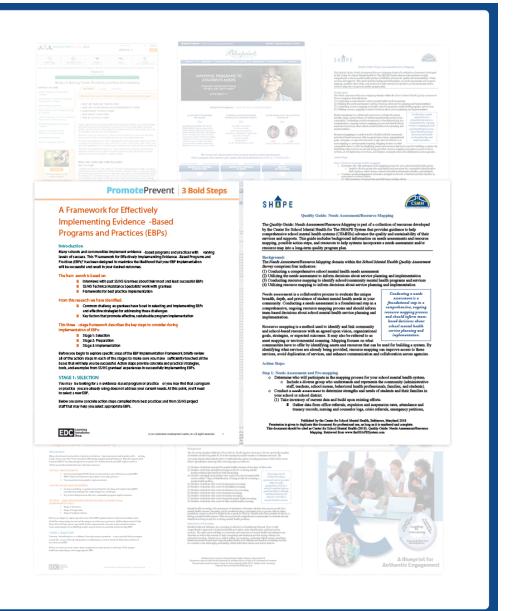
With a SHAPE account. you can assess, track, and advance your school or district's quality improvement goals and assess trauma responsiveness across multiple areas. You'll get free, customized reports to drive your action planning, share your performance with key stakeholders, and help you monitor your progress over time.



(NCSMH, 2019)

Targeted Resources & Guides

Our comprehensive resource library includes public access resources hand selected by a team of school mental health experts. Sort resources by topic to hone in on specific team goals or generate ideas for action steps related to your own improvement goals.







Discussion

How does this content fit with your district's understanding and implementation of mental health early intervention and treatment services and supports?

Strategic Planning

- State a specific goal for your district within this domain
- List 3 potential action steps to move this goal forward

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MHTTC National School Mental Health Learning Collaborative





National School Mental Health Learning Collaborative Objectives:

 Build capacity of MHTTC Center leaders and state teams to increase collaboration and strategic planning among state and district education and behavioral health leaders to advance Comprehensive School Mental Health Systems (CSMHSs).



2. Equip MHTTC Center leaders and state teams to train states and districts in the foundational principles and strategies of CSMHSs based on a national curriculum aligned with national performance standards.





National School Mental Health Learning Collaborative Objectives (cont'd):

3. Equip MHTTC Center leaders and state teams with **tools and strategies to engage states and districts** in ongoing CSMHS quality improvement.

4. Promote **cross-regional and cross-state networking and shared learning** about best practices, successes and challenges of CSMHS implementation, including policy strategies to advance CSMHS







National School Mental Health Learning Collaborative Overview

In-Person Meeting Virtual Learning 1 Virtual Learning 2 Virtual Learning 3 Virtual Learning 4 Virtual Learning 5

Overview

- **Teaming/Alignment**
- Mental Health Promotion (Tier 1)
- Early Intervention/Treatment (Tiers 2/3)
- Screening
- **Funding/Sustainability**

March 14-15, 2019 Thursday, April 4, 2019 Thursday, May 2, 2019 Thursday, June 6, 2019 Thursday, July 11, 2019 Thursday, August 1, 2019

Results of Learning Collaborative

- 160 participants, including MHTTC Center staff and state and district mental health and education leaders representing 36 states.
- 82% of participants reported feeling confident in their state or region's strategic planning to advance comprehensive school mental health systems after the Learning Session
- 97% of participants found the information shared at the Learning Session useful, indicating the following areas as most useful:

• Strategic planning

o Sharing and networking with participants from other states and regions

o Obtaining school mental health resources

Results of Learning Collaborative

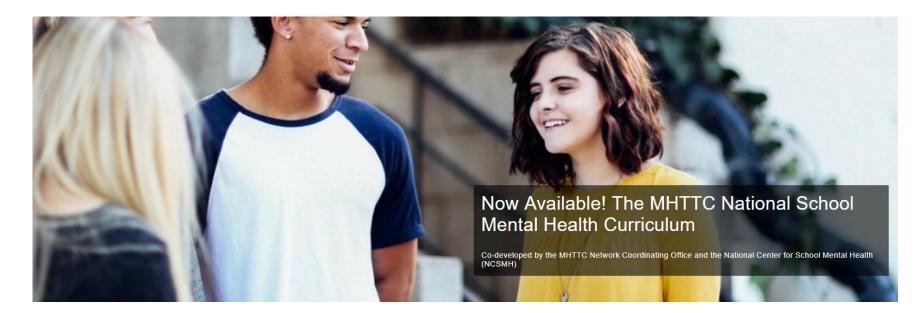
"As a result of the learning session, we have conducted a state-wide meeting with 57 different agencies that provide school mental health services to introduce materials from the learning session." "I've encouraged educators I'm working with to move through their school mental health plans in an effective way, using the national school mental health curriculum as a guide."

"The learning session has given me additional tools to implement and improve data collection and usage, improve referral process, create mental health teams. Excited to continue the conversation."





The National School Mental Health Curriculum is LIVE on the MHTTC website!



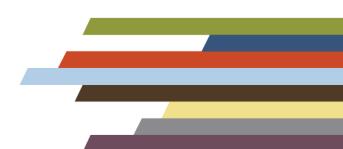
https://mhttcnetwork.org/centers/mhttc-network-coordinating-office/national-school-mental-health-projects

Plans for Year 2

The MHTTC Network is collaborating with the NCSMH to develop a new training package for educators with a focus on mental health literacy that will be disseminated to school districts across the country.

- 2-3 hour free online course
- Brief, high-impact video examples
- Mobile friendly website with resources





Educator well-being Youth strategies/partnerships (e.g., Overarching peer to peer) • Family strategies/partnerships • Community strategies/partnerships Mental Health Understanding mental health and mental illness Addressing stigma/normalizing Promotion and mental health Classroom strategies to promote Awareness mental health for all Responding to Identifying student mental health concerns (signs and symptoms) Classroom strategies to support Mental Health students with mental health concerns Link students with mental health Concerns concerns to support

INFUSED THROUGHOUT TRAINING: culture, MTSS, trauma-informed practices





Q & A



