



Plan for School-Based Mental/Behavioral Health Services & Supports

December 2005



Children we know

- “Failure to thrive” challenges for caregivers
- At high risk of academic failure
- In out of home care or treatment
- Young children with challenging behaviors

We share a common vision for all children.



Children we know

- Challenges rules and boundaries
- Withdrawn, no friends, often ill
- Family capacity overwhelmed by child emotional/behavioral needs
- System capacity overwhelmed, emerging

We share a common vision for all children.



A Shared Agenda

Builds on:

- State Collaborative for Children and Families
 - Began January 2001
 - Interagency, Families, Stakeholders
 - Implement ***System of Care*** statewide
 - Organizing framework
 - Supports intervening early
 - Child and Family Teams
 - Community Collaboratives
 - Shared vision, strategies & outcomes



A Shared Agenda

Builds on:

State Collaborative for Children and Families

- School Based Mental Health Committee
 - **Connect the dots.....**
 - **What do we know?**
 - **What do we need to know?**
 - **Best practices**
 - **Working partnerships**
 - **Working models**
 - **Lessons learned**



Working Partnerships

School & Mental Health

- Positive Behavior Supports (PBS)
- Safe Schools and Healthy Students
- Safe & Drug Free Schools
- NAMI Young Families Initiative
- Family Advocacy & Involvement
- Day Treatment & Child & Family Teams
- Alternative Learning Programs
- After School and Summer Programs
- Assessment, IFSPs/IEPs & PCPs
- Consultation, Education & Transition Plans



Working Partnerships

Health & Mental Health

- Early Childhood Intervention (B-3)
- Developmental screening and assessment (B-21)
- School Based Health & Psychological Services
- Adolescent Parenting and Prevention
- Perinatal Substance Abuse Programs
- Children with special health care needs
- Health Choice (SCHIP) & Health Check (EPSDT)
- Youth Suicide Prevention & Child Fatality
- Injury prevention & Traumatic brain injury
- Healthy Carolinians & Primary Care



Statewide Initiatives & Systems Reforms

Department of Public Instruction (DPI)

- Office of Preschool Services
- Exceptional Children
- Positive Behavior Supports (PBS)
- Safe & Drug Free Schools
- Drop Out Prevention
- Safe Schools & Healthy Students
- Healthy Schools



Statewide Initiatives & Systems Reforms

Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)

- Local Education Agency (LEA)
- Office of Education Services (B-21 yrs.)
- Division of Public Health (B-3 yrs.)
- Division of MHDDSAS (3-18/19-21)
 - **Safe & Drug Free Schools**
 - **Eliminating Barriers Initiative (EBI)**
 - **Proposed New & Revised Integrated Services**
- Healthy Schools



Statewide Initiatives & Systems Reforms

Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (DJJDP)

- Local Education Agency (LEA)
- Exceptional Children
- Center for Prevention of School Violence
- DHHS & DJJDP Robert Wood Johnson Initiative
- Positive Behavior Supports (PBS)



Where we were

- National *Shared Agenda* for
School Mental Health
 - IDEA
 - NASEDE & NASMHPD
 - Plan and Seed Grant funding
 - **Develop a 5 year strategic plan for school mental health services**
 - NC application in May 2005
 - Awarded \$10,000 in June 2005



Where we are

- NC Shared Agenda Seed Grant Award
 - School Mental Health Committee
 - Lead & Develop Strategic Plan
 - Facilitator
 - 3 Planning Forums
 - Stakeholder review & revisions
 - Final plan dissemination for community implementation.



Where we are

- Leadership Summit on Mental Health Services – October 17-18, 2005
 - Stakeholder Review & Revisions
 - Input needed & obtained
 - Revised Draft December 2, 2005
 - Final Draft December 31, 2005
 - Regional & Local Planning
 - Next steps for implementation



Where we are

- *Keeping the dialogue going....*
 - Stakeholder Review & Revisions
 - Input needed & obtained
 - Revised Draft December 2, 2005
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Where we are going

- *Keeping the dialogue going....*
 - State Collaborative review and final approval.
 - Final plan dissemination for community implementation.
 - Regional & Local Planning
 - Next steps for implementation



Keeping the dialogue going....

Community & School Strategic Plan

- Full array mental & behavioral health services.
 - Coordinated, based on collaboration
- Fully trained personnel in communities & schools
 - Adequate number for community & school need
- Use available funding & generate additional funds
 - Effective & efficient intra- and interagency resources
- Develop shared outcomes & data collection
 - Measurable to inform quality improvement
- Public awareness & advocacy
 - Focus on child & family outcomes – youth & family voices



The Shared Agenda.....

*Keeping the dialogue
going and the plan alive.*



Thank you for.....

*Helping families
help their children
stay safe, healthy,
in school & community.*



*“One of the secrets in life
is making stepping stones
out of stumbling blocks.”*

J.B.



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