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# **Comprehensive School Mental Health**

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# Who is OSAH?

The Office of School and Adolescent Health (OSAH) ...

- strives to educate and provide resources to educational staff, health and behavioral health professionals, and community members who serve schools and adolescents.
- provides training and technical assistance to develop and enhance a sustainable behavioral health system for schools and youth-serving organizations.
- promotes evidence-based practices to improve the health, wellness, and resilience of youth.



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## What's our GOAL?

- Filter Mental/Behavioral Health into all existing systems
  - Mental Health is EVERYONE's job and not just for students with IEP's
- Create open attitudes, beliefs and culture-WHOLE CHILD



- Assess existing policies/programs to create a fluid service delivery
- Process is FREE- Fund positions in the district to drive the process
- Multiple programs that don't connect create MORE work....
- A little effort on the front end will create **LESS WORK** in the long run!





## Behavioral Health Advisory Committee

**PURPOSE:** The Rio Rancho Behavioral Health Advisory Committee was created by **board action** on November 12, 2018 to provide input and recommendations to the RRPS School Board and Administration regarding the behavioral, mental, and emotional health needs of students in our district. Members of the Advisory Committee will accomplish this by reviewing and discussing existing district policies and programs, in addition to examining policies and programs from outside our district. Once such practices are complete, the committee will provide **nonbinding recommendations** to the Rio Rancho School Board and Administration to consider for implementation.



## Behavioral Health Advisory Committee

## MEMBERS

### DISTRICT

- Administration
- Counselors/Social Workers
- Board Member

### PROFESSIONAL / COMMUNITY

- NMDOH OSAH
- Psychologist
- Marriage & Family Therapist
- NAMI-NM
- RR Police Department

## REVIEW

### COMMITTEE PRESENTATIONS

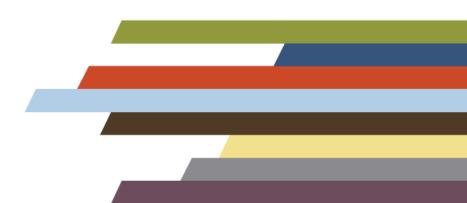
- 8 total
  - National, State & Local
- Vote
- Board & Administration Recommendation
  - Timeframe
  - Process overview





## Module 1: Foundations of Comprehensive School Mental Health

National School Mental Health Best Practices: Implementation Guidance Modules for States, Districts, and Schools



## Agenda



- Implementation Guidance Modules
   Overview & Target Audience
- Alignment with School Mental Health Quality
   Assessment
- What Is Comprehensive School Mental Health?
- Core Features
- Value
- District Examples

### **Implementation Guidance Modules Development**

National School Mental Health Best Practices: Implementation Guidance Modules for States, Districts, and Schools was co-developed by the Mental Health Technology Transfer Center (MHTTC) Network and the National Center for School Mental Health (NCSMH).

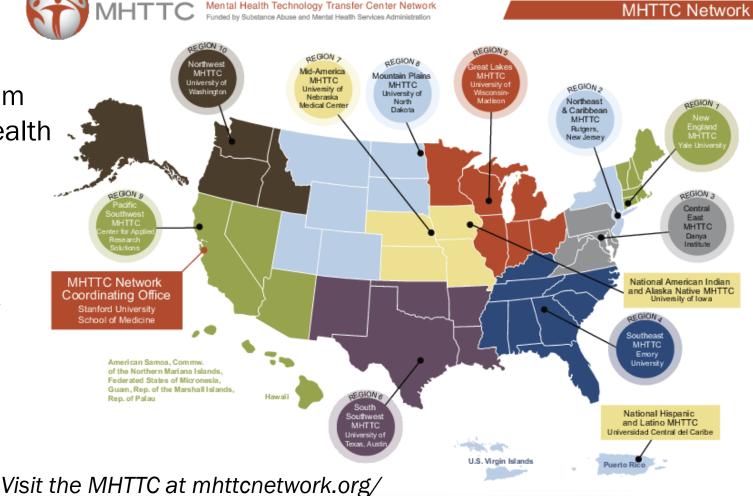






## Mental Health Technology Transfer Center (MHTTC) Network

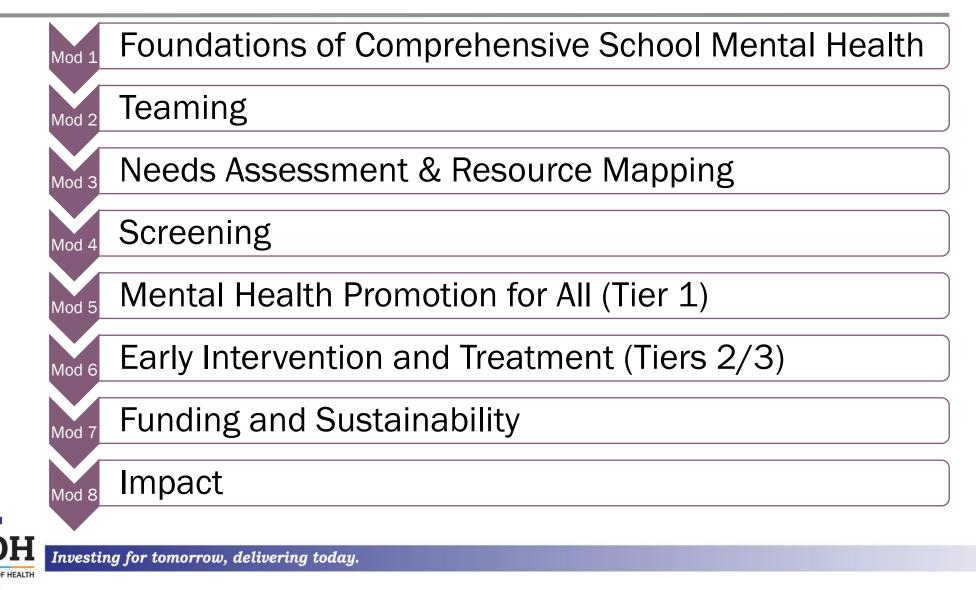
- Established in 2018 with funding from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- 10 Regional Centers
- National Hispanic & Latino Center
- National American Indian and Alaska Native Center
- Network Coordinating Office





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### **Overview of Implementation Guidance Modules**



## **Target Audience**

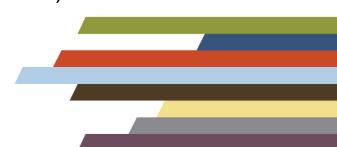


District teams that can influence, develop, and oversee

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





### School Health Assessment & Performance Evaluation (SHAPE) www.theSHAPEsystem.com



From our program quality and trauma responsivenes assessments and feedback reports to our extensive library of free and low-cost screening and assessment measures. SHAPE delivers the tools you need to improve your school or district's mental health programs and increase your grant unding opportunities. Take the tour to learn more

Take a Tour



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



#### SHAPE Features

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#### Put your star on the map

92 schools have earned Gold Star Status 112 school districts have earned Gold Star Status

28 states

Learn More



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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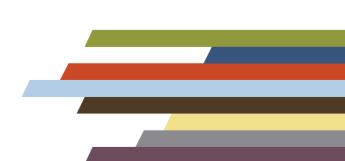
Receive custom reports and strategic planning guidance and resources

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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



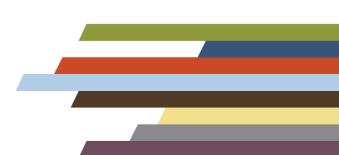
### **Quality Indicators**

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



### School Mental Health Quality Domains/Indicators

### Resources

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

TIER 1



#### 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

#### **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

#### **Needs Assessment/ Resource Mapping**

 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

- TIERS 2×3 Early Intervention and **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
- Maximize reimbursement for eligible services

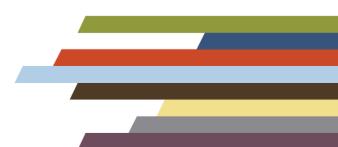
· Document impact of social, emotional, and behavioral outcomes

- Tier 3 (treatment) services

 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

- 1. Teaming
- 2. Needs Assessment & Resource Mapping
- 3. Mental Health Promotion for All (Tier 1)
- Early Intervention, Treatment Services, Supports 4. (Tiers 2 & 3)
- 5. Screening
- 6. Impact
- 7. Funding & Sustainability



Use best practices to:

health system

Document impact on educational outcomes



## **Data-Driven Decision-Making**

Observations & other data/information should be used to make *fair, objective decisions* about:

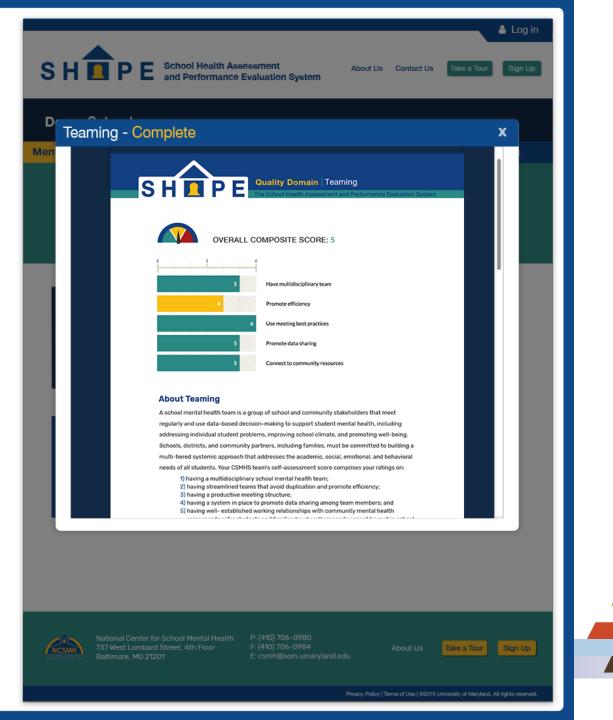
- Identifying student mental health needs
- Matching students to appropriate services and supports
- Monitoring progress to evaluate student response to interventions
- Changing student services and supports over time as appropriate

### **Data Sources in Schools**

- ✓ Mental health screenings & assessments
- ✓ School climate surveys
- ✓Grades
- ✓Attendance/seat time
- ✓ Performance test scores
- ✓Office referrals
- ✓ Suspensions/expulsions
- ✓ Achievement/benchmark test scores
- ✓ Behavioral observations
- ✓Crisis incidents

# 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.



### Targeted Resources & Guides

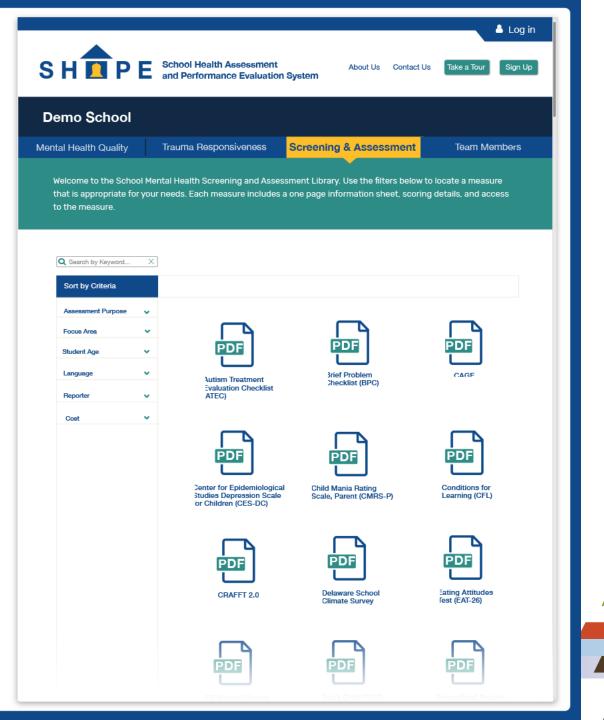
Our comprehensive resource library includes public access resources hand selected by a team of school mental health experts. Sort resources by topic to hone in on specific team goals or generate ideas for action steps related to your own improvement goals.

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### Screening & Assessment Library

Our extensive screening and assessment library includes a variety of free and low-cost measures related to school mental health.



## EARN SHOPE RECOGNITION

Bronze, Silver or Gold Star SHAPE Teams have access to customized reports and free resources and can add team members to join their SHAPE account.



### **School Mental Health Profile**

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#### **Quality Assessment**

Earn a Silver Star by completing one Quality Assessment. Assess your school or district performance on national school mental health quality indicators. Get free customized Quality reports to drive your improvement process.



Complete all Quality Assessments to earn your Gold Star status!

# What Is Comprehensive School Mental Health?

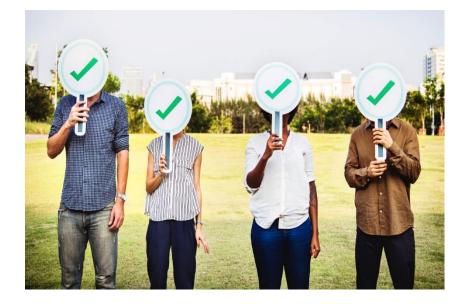


## **Comprehensive School Mental Health Systems**

- 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 & Student Instructional Support Personnel
  - Adequate staffing & support
  - Trained to address student mental health in schools
- Collaboration & Teaming
  - Youth & families
  - Community health/mental health & other partners
- Multi-tiered System of Supports
  - Mental health promotion support (*Tier 1*)
  - Early intervention & treatment services & supports (*Tiers 2-3*)
- Evidence-Informed Services & Supports
- Cultural Responsiveness & Equity
- Data-Driven Decision-Making



### **Educators and Student Instructional Support Personnel**

- District and school professionals are the foundation of comprehensive school mental health systems.
  - Administrators and Educators
  - Student Instructional Support Personnel
    - School Psychologists
    - School Counselors
    - School Social Workers
    - School Nurses
    - Other Health Professionals
- Consider nationally recognized staffing ratios.
- Community partners should augment existing supports and services in strategic and integrated ways.



## **Collaboration and Teaming**

- Students
- Families
- Schools
- Community health & mental health
- Policymakers
- Funders





## **Examples of Partnership**

- School-community advisory group
- Needs assessment process and program selection
- Family-centered procedures
- Communications
- Evaluating programs and communicating results

"Nothing about us without us"



## **Community Partnerships**

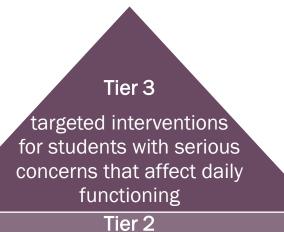
Partnerships between schools and community mental health organizations are **purposeful**, and designed to:

- Augment the abilities of schools to address barriers to learning and promote social-emotional well-being
- **Provide a broader array of supports**, including mental health promotion, prevention, and intervention within a multi-tiered system of support
- Improve access to mental health care





## Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS)



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



Investing for tomorrow, delivering today.

## **Key Considerations in MTSS**

#### Needed supports and services are fluid.

• Students need different levels of support at different times throughout development.

### Tiers are layered.

 Students who receive higher levels of support continue to benefit from universal mental health promotion supports.

### Invest in mental health promotion!

• Effective mental health promotion (Tier 1) supports can reduce the degree of need for higher-level supports in a school or district.

Provide more intensive and targeted services and supports at the individual, group, or family level to address mental health concerns.

- Students at risk for more serious mental health concerns (Tier 2) are able to participate in programs and supports that address their risk factors and promote positive social-emotional-behavioral learning.
- Students already experiencing mental health concerns (Tier 3) have individualized services and supports that can improve mental health and overall well-being.



## **Evidence-Informed Supports and Services**



- Services and supports that are backed by scientific and/or practice-based evidence
  - Teams need a system to evaluate evidence
- Ongoing monitoring of implementation success
- Systematic, reliable data informs decisions about student supports and services

## **Sources of Evidence**

- Evidence-based practice registries
- Research literature
- Evidence-based practice developers
- Schools implementing the service or support





### GOAL for SY20-21

✓ All **schools** in the district will complete the SHAPE (program level)

✓The district will complete the SHAPE (procedural level)

- ✓ Select a small (5) interdisciplinary group to complete the SHAPE
  - ✓ Security, Nutrition, Admin, Teachers, Counseling/Social Workers, SE, Nursing
- ✓8 modules- 15 minutes per mod. MAX
- ✓Turned into DOH- info will be de-identified and presented as an overview OPTIONAL

This is YOUR information to help guide YOUR process





✓ DOH will provide the district with an overall accumulation of results OPTIONAL

- ✓TA for schools: 4x/year as a large group of all the MH teams (and as needed) OPTIONAL
- ✓TA for district: in between the School TA (and as needed) OPTIONAL
- √SY21-22
  - ✓DOH will assist schools, on an individual level, to complete the implementation guide
  - $\checkmark$  DOH will assist the district, to complete the implementation guide
  - $\checkmark$  This will determine what to work on FIRST



#### **School Mental Health Matters**





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### **District Examples**

#### Resources

Wisconsin School Mental Health Framework

#### Linking with Systems of Care

Appropriate Information Sharing Continuous Communication Loop Supported Navigation through Systems of Care Wraparound Support Family-Driven & Youth-Guided Planning

> FEW Counseling & Support Team

Seamless Referral & Follow-up Processes Deepened Collaboration with Youth Families, & Community Providers

#### SOME

Early Identification, Screening, & Progress Monitoring Effective Individual & Group Interventions

Wellness Plans

Co-Planning Strategies with Students, Families & Community Providers

#### ALL

Relationship Building, Resiliency & Rich Social-Emotional Learning

Trauma Sensitive Practices

Mental Health & Wellness Education

#### Foundation

Integrating School Mental Health with Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports through:

Data-Based Continuous Improvement **Positive School Culture & Climate** Systemic Professional Development & Implementation Staff Mental Health Attitudes, Competencies & Wellness Culturally Responsive Evidence Based Practices Confidentiality & Mental Health Promotion Policies

Strong Universal Implementation Integrated Leadership Teams Youth-Family-School-Community Collaboration at all Levels Continuum of Supports



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-W.E.B. DuBois