



Mental Health Services  
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# **Children's Committee Framework**

## **Improving Mental Health Outcomes for Children and Youth**

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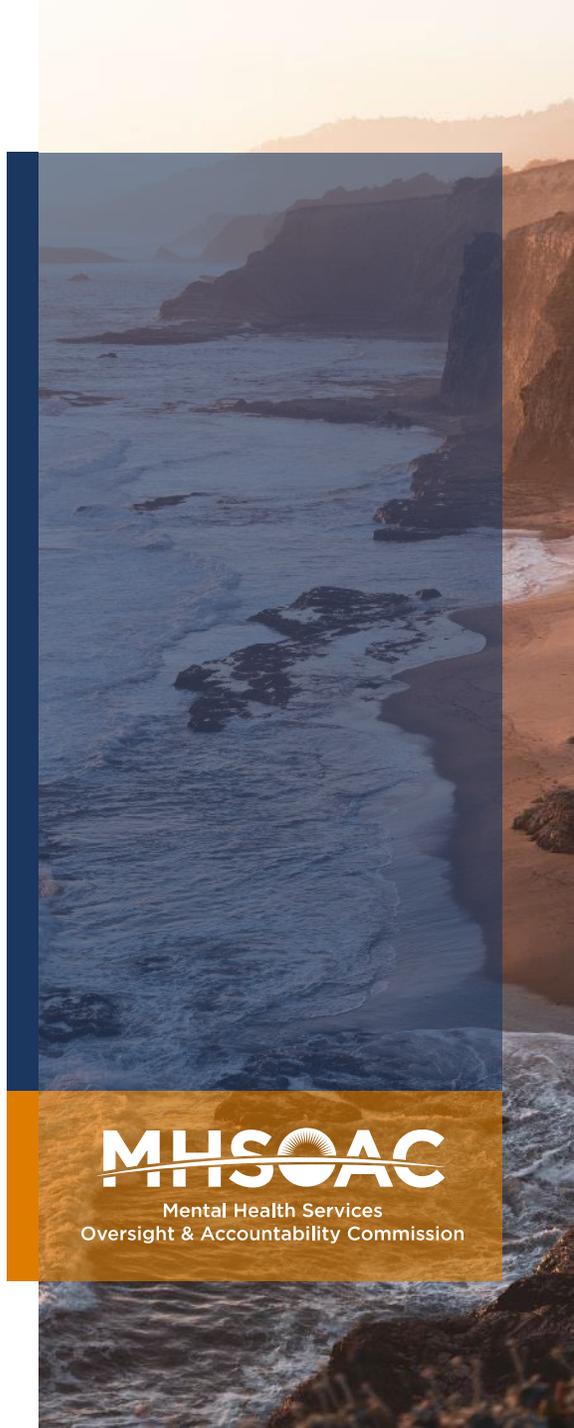
# Background

- Strengthen the integration of the Commission's work on children and youth mental health
- Improve the alignment of the Commission's work with the Governor's Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CYBHI)

# Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative-CYBHI

- **The goal of the Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative is to reimagine the systems that support behavioral health and wellness for California's children and youth into an innovative, up-stream focused, ecosystem.**
- **This ecosystem will focus on promoting wellbeing and preventing behavioral health challenges and on routinely screening, supporting, and serving ALL children and youth for emerging and existing behavioral health (mental health and substance use) needs.**

**Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CHHS)**



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# Themes

- Current system for Children's mental health is fragmented and lacks a unified strategy
  - Integrated programs that are comprehensive and sustainable
- Children's mental health programming falls heavily on local county behavioral health departments
- Best practices are seen across the state, but often siloed, and lessons learned are not shared widely
- Focus on mental health outcomes across race, culture, and SES status
  - Social Determinants of health
- Move from a reactive system of care to a preventative one

The logo for the Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC). It features the acronym 'MHSOAC' in a bold, white, sans-serif font. A stylized white sun with rays is positioned behind the letter 'O'. The logo is set against a dark blue background that is part of a larger vertical banner on the left side of the slide. The banner shows a sunset over a beach with a pier extending into the water.

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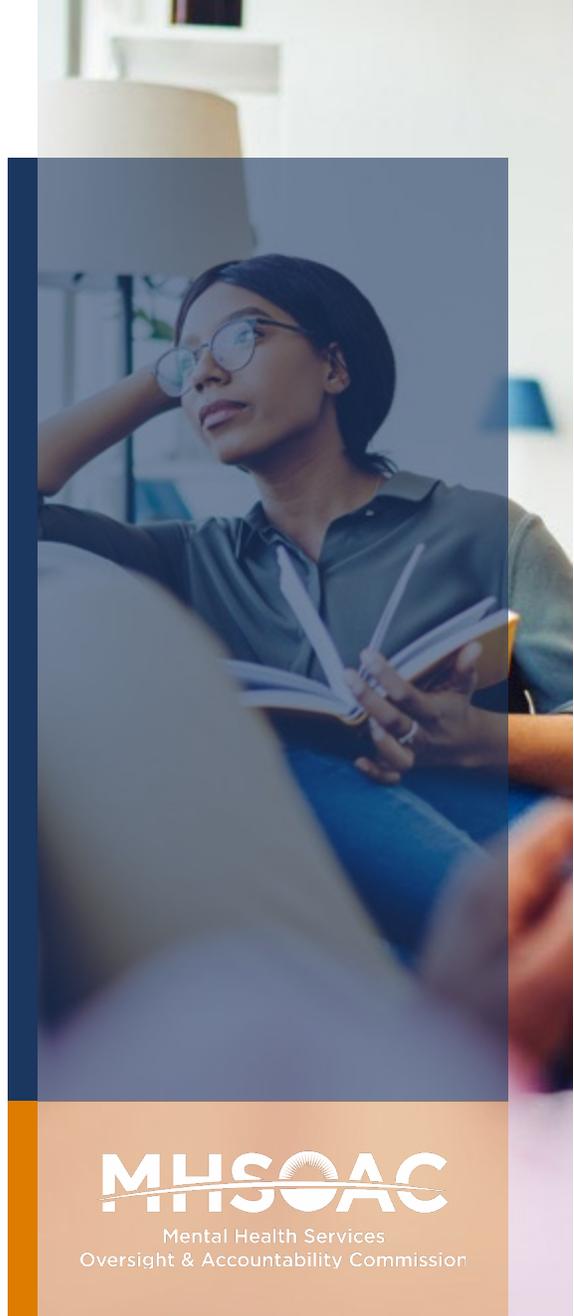
# Core Values

## Prioritizing Prevention

- Emphasize health promotion and wellbeing
- Start early: 0-5 and maternal mental health

## Data-Driven Approaches

- Data informs decisions for resource allocation
- Research and evaluation guides priorities



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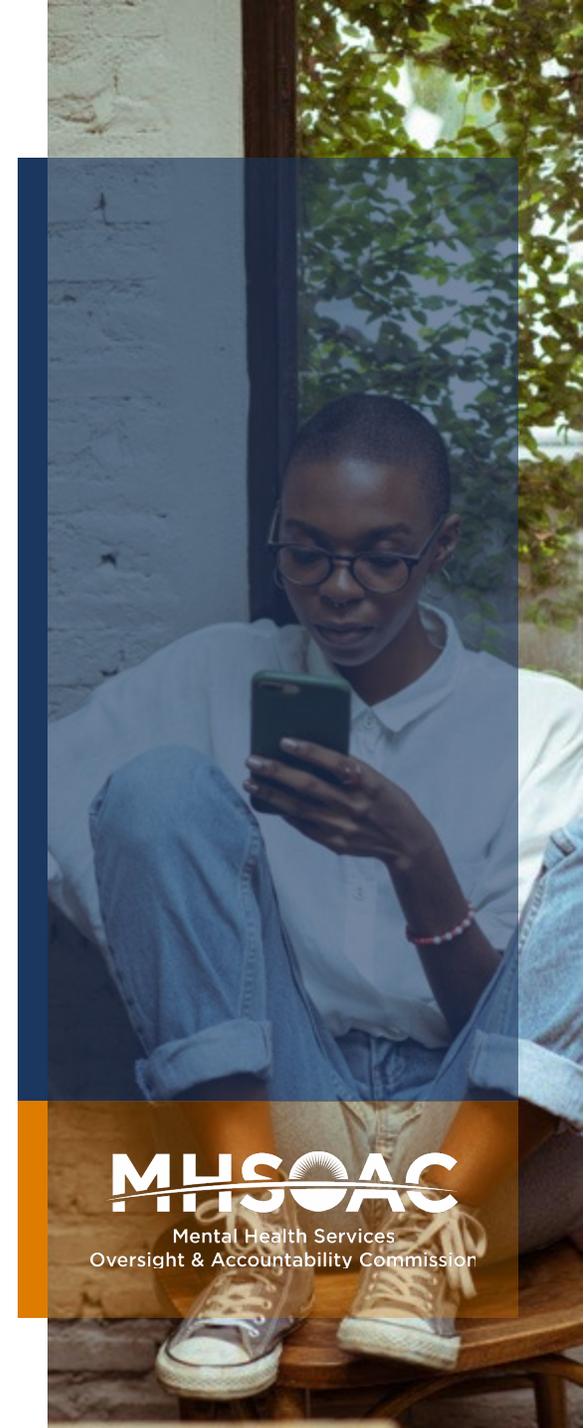
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## Building Capacity

- Improve strategies to prioritize health equity
- Share best practices
- Facilitate learning collaboratives
- Identify solutions for sustainability

## Expanding Awareness

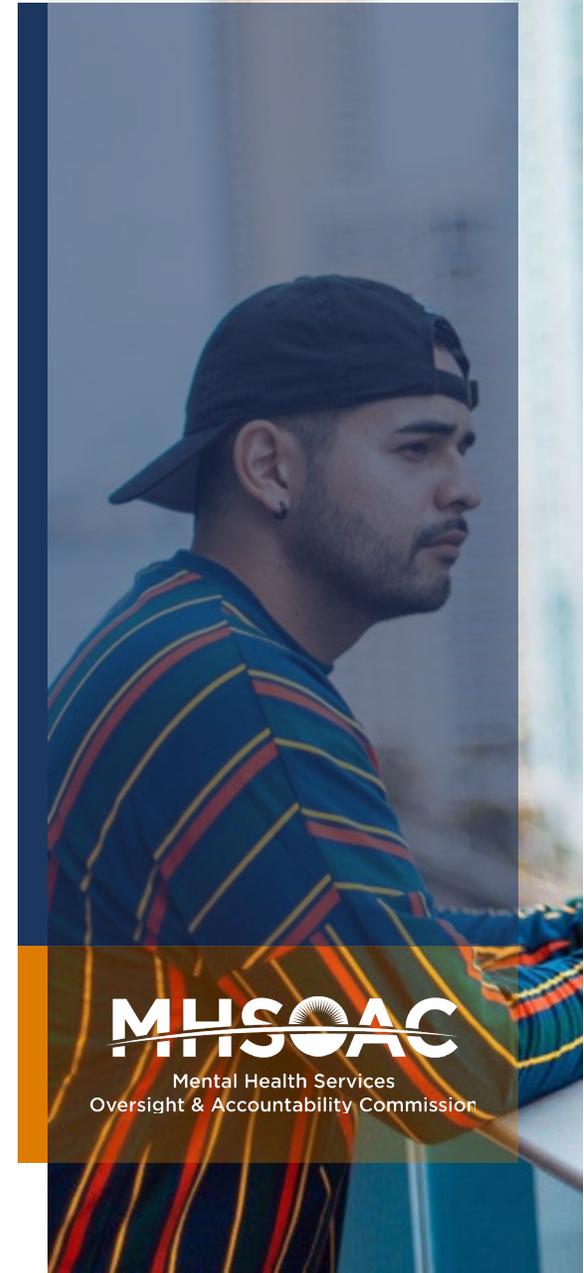
- Communicate priorities
- Engage partners via site visits, advocacy, and media



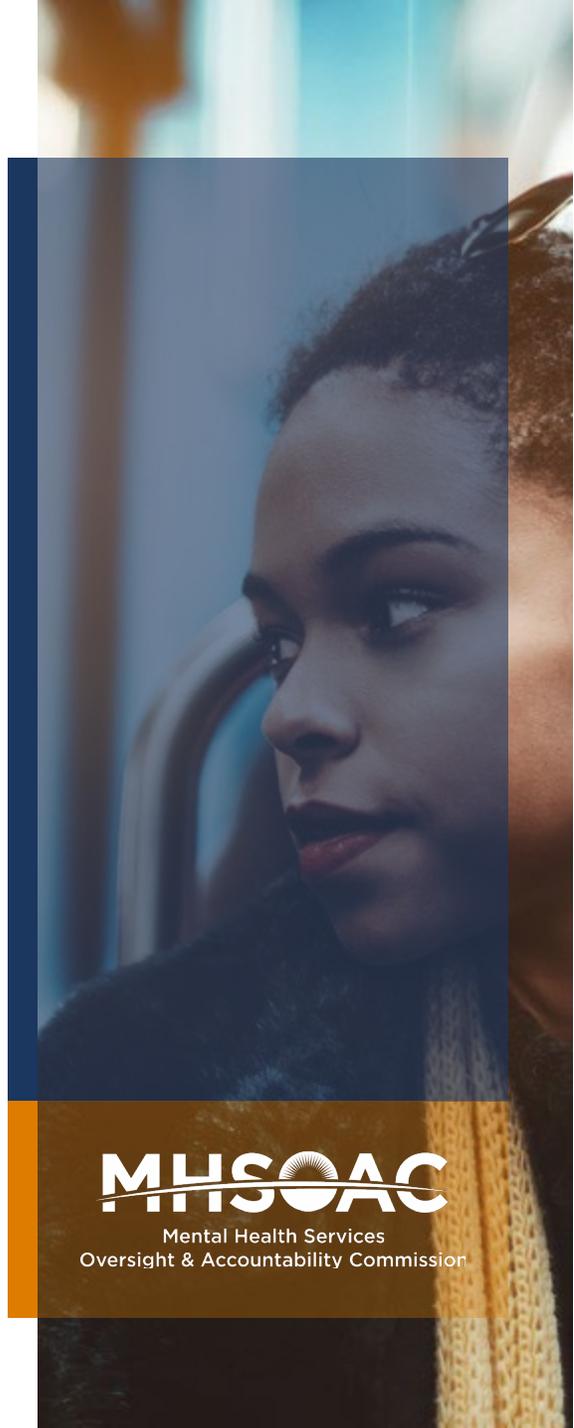
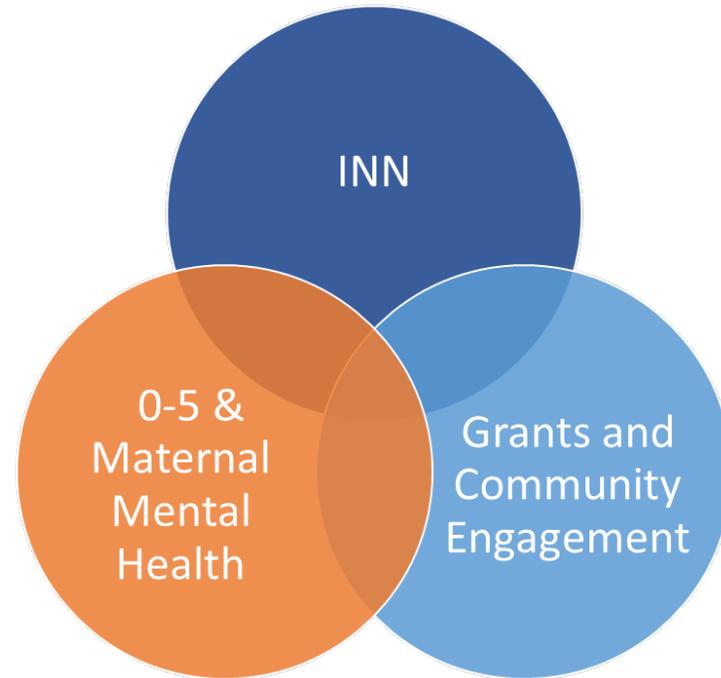
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# Commission Primary Areas of work

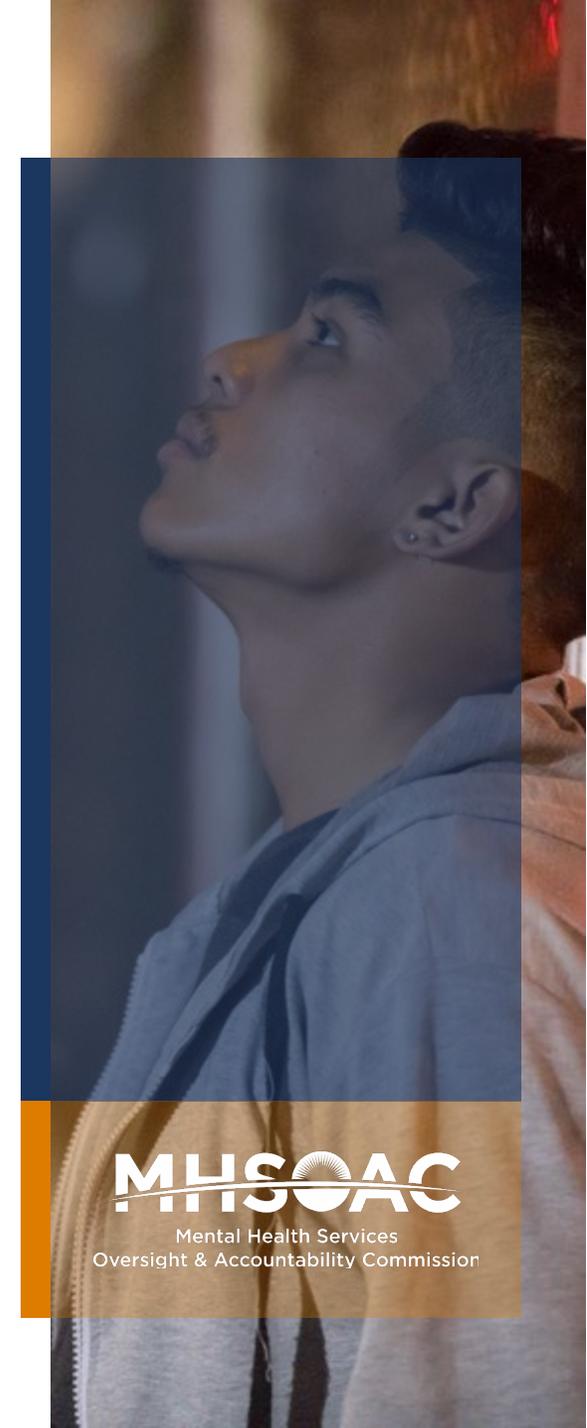


# Integration of our work:



# Children's Committee Opportunities

CURRENT	EMERGENT	POTENTIAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• K-12 Advocacy Dollars (TBD)</li><li>• Allocate Mental Health Wellness Act funds to support 0-5 populations (11/8)</li><li>• PEI Policy Project (TBD)</li><li>• Determine metrics for School Mental Health (TBD)</li><li>• TBD</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Youth Mental Health Convening</li><li>• Firearm Violence Prevention</li><li>• Identify opportunities for Innovation Investments</li><li>• Explore new Learning Collaboratives</li><li>• Prioritize uses of the CYBHI Evidence-Based Practice funds</li><li>• TBD</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discuss program review opportunities to focus on children's mental health</li><li>• TBD</li></ul>





# Thank You

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