



Mental Health Services
Oversight & Accountability Commission

**Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) Evaluation Workgroup
Teleconference Meeting Summary
Date: June 25, 2024 | Time: 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

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Agenda Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call

Kai LeMasson, Research Scientist Supervisor, welcomed everyone to the sixth meeting of the MHSSA Evaluation Workgroup. She called the meeting to order at approximately 3:00 p.m. and reviewed the meeting agenda.

Agenda Item 2: Action - February 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The workgroup adopted the February 16, 2024 meeting minutes.

Agenda Item 3: Information – Universal Screening Policy Project

Kali Patterson, Research Scientist Supervisor, Policy Research Lead, provided an update on the learnings and next steps of the Universal Mental Health Screening of Children and Youth Project, and progress made on the report to the Legislature.

Agenda Item 4: Information – MHSSA Evaluation Planning

Nicole Tirado-Strayer, Ph.D., Senior Research Associate, WestEd, introduced the members of her team including the Youth Advisory Group (YAG), comprised of 16 youth members who participate in decision-making related to MHSSA evaluation planning. YAG members presented a summary of their key messages to state and local officials: (1) increase mental health awareness that destigmatizes mental health conversations for families, communities, and school staff; and (2) increase mental health education for all people involved with youth.

Following the YAG presentation, Wested presented to the Workgroup an updated conceptual framework and an overview of:

- Emerging elements of the evaluation design, including the process and systems change components and the two case studies, focusing on partnerships and the implementation and impact of MHSSA-funded activities and services.
- Emerging primary data sources, including the school mental health systems survey, case study qualitative data collection protocols, and youth engagement protocols within the school case study.

Discussion

Dr. Tirado-Strayer facilitated discussion by asking a series of questions and received feedback from Committee and public members on:

- Revising the MHSSA evaluation's conceptual model, specifically, examining the MHSSA within the broader school mental health system.
- How to measure/conceptualize the relationship between the county and school mental health systems?
- What do MHSSA-funded activities and services look like in practice at the school level?

Agenda Item 5: Adjournment

Kai LeMasson thanked everyone for their participation and feedback. She adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:30 p.m.