



Student Wellness Advisory Group Update

Presenters: Dave Gordon (Sacramento) and Amanda Dickey

Item Type: Informational

Recommendation: None.

Background:

Student Wellness Advisory Group (SWAG)

At the June SWAG meeting, the Group reviewed draft talking points related to student behavioral health on the topics of: 1) funding and sustainability, 2) data and information sharing, 3) grants under the CYBHI, and 4) workforce. The intent is to share final talking points with members and use them as we engage with policy makers to help them better understand the priorities and needs of COEs as we implement the CYBHI and other student mental health initiatives.

At the July SWAG meeting, members discussed the future role and purpose of the SWAG. Members also asked CCSESA to send out a short survey (9 questions) to all county superintendents requesting an update on implementation of the Student Behavioral Health Incentive Program (SBHIP). 37 COEs have responded to the survey so far. If you have not already done so, [please use this link](#) to respond to the survey.

To join SWAG, please email Carolyn Gray at cgray@sccoe.org and Ashley Lugo at alugo@ccsesa.org.

Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) PLN

The MHSSA PLN continues to meet monthly and has strong participation from the majority of COEs. The PLN is made up of assistant superintendents and directors who implement SBHIP, MHSSA, community schools, and other student mental health programs. The PLN is an opportunity for peer-to-peer learning and also provides updates to COEs regarding grants, implementation of programs, workgroups, and state legislation/budget.

At the May meeting, members met with representatives from the Mental Health Commission (MHSC) to push back on requests for personally identifiable student data requested as part of MHSSA implementation.

At the June MHSSA PLN, members met with representatives from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and the Health and Human Services (HHS) Department to share input on implementation of the Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CYBHI).

At the August meeting, members will review CCSESA SBHIP survey results and will discuss their vision for the future of the group, as well as consider renaming and expanding the group to accommodate the growing needs of COE staff providing TA on community schools implementation.

To assign COE staff members to the MHSSA PLN, please email their contact information to Carolyn Gray at cgray@sccoe.org and Ashley Lugo at alugo@ccsesa.org.