

Building a Bridge to Better Children's Behavioral Health

Annual Highlights



Child Health and
Development Institute

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Promoting Comprehensive School Mental Health

Helping schools strengthen and integrate behavioral health services and supports



ENGAGED
394
SCHOOLS

DEVELOPED
& PILOTED
2 MODELS

Student Peer Support
SBDI-Early Intervention

45
NEW SCHOOLS
COMPLETED
SHAPE

23%
DECREASE IN COURT
REFERRALS

among
SBDI schools



System Development and Policy

Promoting better behavioral health system functioning and integration

- A hub to **advance Connecticut's system of care** and comprehensive school mental health systems
- Published and began implementing strategic plan to **strengthen CT's behavioral health workforce**
- Celebrated the successful expansion of Connecticut's **comprehensive youth crisis system**

Expanding Access to Evidence-Based Treatments

Evidence-based behavioral health treatments (EBTs) and practices improve youth outcomes and reduce racial and ethnic disparities better than "usual care."



305

clinicians trained in FY24

67-89%

avg. symptom reduction

among kids receiving an EBT*

22,784

CT children received an EBT since 2007*

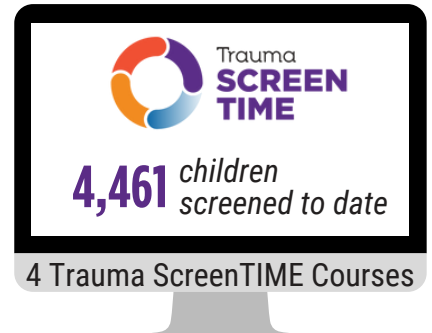
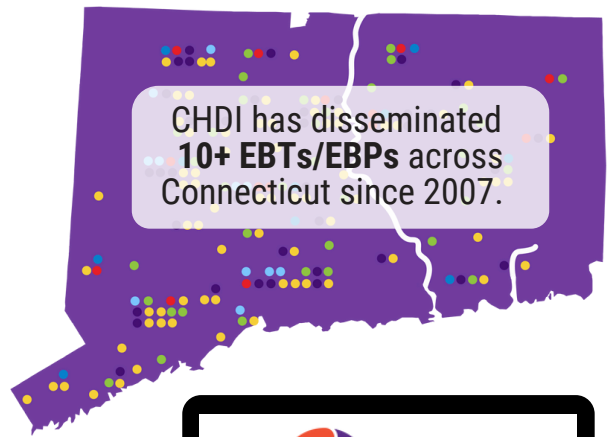
460+

providers attended 2024 EBP Conference

2,388

children received an EBT in FY24*

*Disseminated by CHDI



Improving the Quality of Care

Promoting effective and equitable behavioral health services through data analysis, reporting, technical assistance, and other quality improvement support

CHDI leads quality improvement for Connecticut's nationally recognized **youth crisis system** and the state's network of **22 outpatient psychiatric clinics (OPCCs)** for children.



Median Mobile Crisis response time



Youth served by Connecticut OPCCs

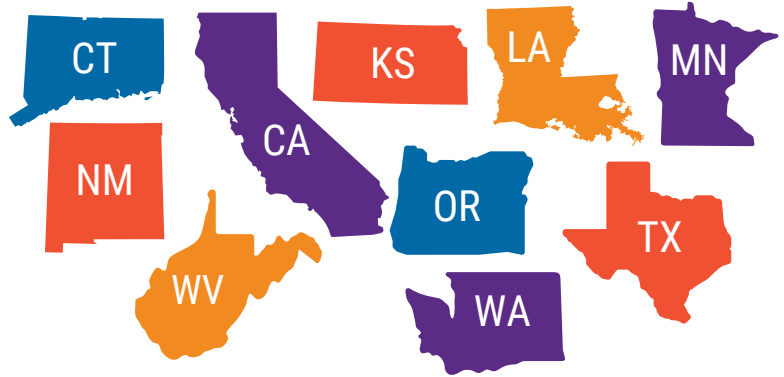
Organizational Growth

Strengthening our organization to sustain our mission for as long as the work is needed

**BEST PLACES
TO WORK
IN CONNECTICUT**
2024 AWARDS

Sharing Our Expertise, Expanding Our Reach

CHDI supported **Connecticut** and **9 other states**, providing technical assistance, training, and consultation to state agencies and providers.



Staff presentations
in 10 states

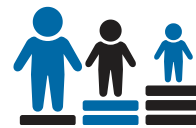


CHDI publications & resources for
providers, schools, and policymakers



National journal
publications by CHDI staff

CHDI is **embedding equitable and anti-racist practices** throughout our external work - including our quality improvement process, school mental health needs assessments, and public policy efforts - *and* our internal policies and practices.



**Ongoing Commitment
to Equity and
Anti-Racism**

Supporting Our Growing Team



New staff hired
in FY24



Staff activities hosted by
CHDI Sunshine Committee



A "Best Place to Work in CT" 3 years in a row!