

Are you a school or district in Connecticut looking to enhance behavioral health supports for students?

CONNECTing Schools to Care IV Students is a federally-funded initiative focused on expanding and sustaining the state's behavioral health system for children through expansion of trauma-informed comprehensive school mental health supports, ensuring youth are linked to equitable and appropriate services and supports.

Outcome Goals for Participating Schools



Strengthen **integration** between school- and community-based behavioral health network of care



Increase staff and family **knowledge** of behavioral health and available services



Increase **capacity** to access and utilize behavioral health resources and supports



Implement equitable and comprehensive **school mental health** supports



Learn how you can receive free technical assistance, implementation support, and an incentive for building and enhancing school mental health supports and collaborating with community-based services!



Build and strengthen your school's behavioral health supports and connect with community-based services



Schools or districts who are interested in participating in this multiyear opportunity can apply to participate at three different levels, based on their need and capacity.

What can schools expect from participating?

Level 1 schools will receive:

- A School Mental Health Needs Assessment (SHAPE) with technical assistance
- SHAPE Results Review

Level 2 schools will receive:

- All Level 1 components
- An implementation plan with unique goals based on SHAPE results review
- Behavioral health training opportunities for staff and families
- Regional learning communities

Level 3 schools will receive:

- All Level 1 and 2 components
- Ongoing technical assistance and support throughout the year
- Quality improvement and evaluation support
- Implementation of a peer support program (for middle and high schools only)



If you are interested in applying to participate, please contact: Mackenzie Wink | mwink@chdi.org









