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**Integrating Mental Health within a School-
wide System of PB4LSWPBIS The
Interconnected Systems Framework (ISF)**

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Content

Describe history, rationale and structure for an integrated framework

- The Interconnected Systems Framework (ISF).

Provide Quick Examples (more in concurrent session)

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SETTING THE CONTEXT AND THE CHALLENGE

Partnerships are needed:

- One in 5 youth have a MH “condition”
- About 70% of those get no treatment
- School is “defacto” MH provider
- Juvenile Justice system is next level of system default
- Suicide is 4th leading cause of death among young adults
- Factors that impact mental health occur *‘round the clock’*
- It is challenging for educators to address the factors beyond school
- It is challenging for community providers to address the factors in school

A Different Conversation about Mental Health is happening....

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Understanding New Rules That Widen Mental Health Coverage

By ANN CARRNS JAN. 9, 2014

New Federal Guidance on School Discipline and Discipline



- U.S. Departments of Education and Justice collaborative **Supportive School Discipline Initiative** refocusing school discipline:
 - To create safe, positive, equitable schools
 - Emphasize prevention and positive approaches to keep students in school and learning

Zero Tolerance Do NOT Work... Results in Inequity

A more 'mainstream' conversation about Mental Health

- Awareness of the need to do more
- A recognition that families and schools have critical roles
- Prevention and early detection are a focus
- An awareness that *access* to services is not enough
- The focus needs to be on improved *outcomes*

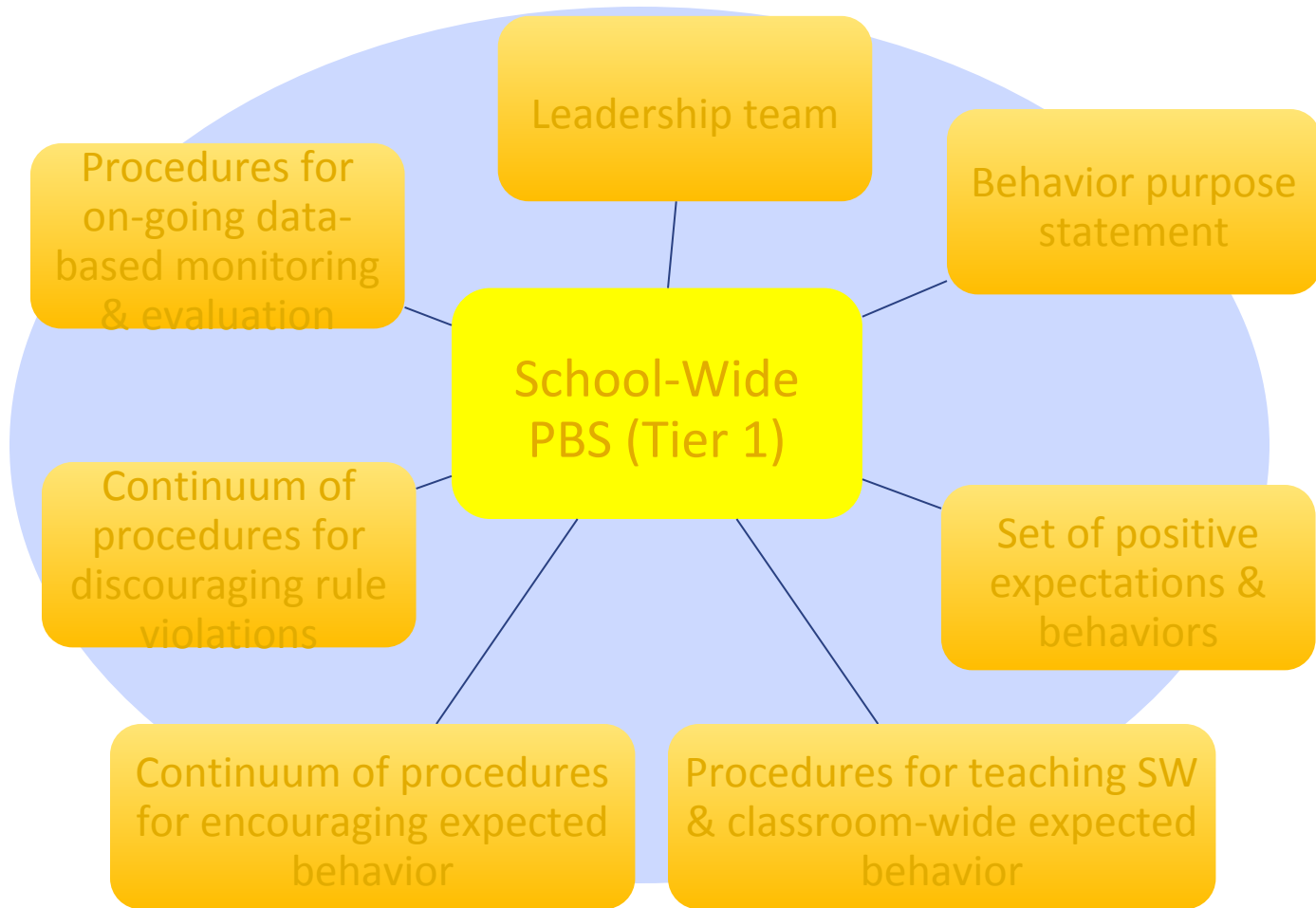
Challenges

- Constraints on school-employed mental health staff
 - Too few of them, with ratios for school psychology, counseling and social work far below recommendations of national organizations
 - Narrowed functioning of positions (e.g., school psychology – evaluation, counseling – academic advising)
 - Pressures related to “gatekeeping”

Challenges

- Barriers to collaboration between school- and community-based providers
 - Limited understanding of the other's culture, work presses and perspectives
 - People too busy/stressed to reach out to develop new relationships

PBIS FRAMEWORK



Positive Behavior Intervention & Support

Decision making framework to guide selection and implementation of best practices for improving academic and behavioral functioning

- Data based decision making
- Measurable outcomes
- Evidence-based practices
- Systems to support effective implementation

Advantages of SWPBIS

- Promotes effective decision making
- Improves climate & learning environment
- Changes adult behavior
- Reduces punitive approaches
- Reduces removal of students from instruction
- Improves student academic performance

Experimental Research on SWPBIS

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SWPBIS Experimentally Related to:

1. Reduction in **problem behavior**
2. Increased **academic performance**
3. Increased **attendance**
4. Improved perception of **safety**
5. Reduction in **bullying behaviors**
6. Improved **organizational efficiency**
7. Reduction in **staff turnover**
8. Increased perception of **teacher efficacy**
9. Improved **Social Emotional competence**

A Foundation.... but More is Needed...

- Many schools implementing PBIS struggle to implement effective interventions at Tiers 2 and 3
- Youth with “internalizing” issues may go undetected
- PBIS systems (although showing success in social climate and discipline) often do not address broader community data and mental health prevention.

Key Questions

Can we expand the effectiveness of the school-based continuum if we include a broader group of SMH and community providers?

Can we enhance the continuum with a greater array of evidence-based practices to meet the needs of more students with greater effectiveness ?

Convergence

- Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is helping schools to include students with more and more complex and significant behavioral health needs
- Mental health recognizes the importance of educational success to improving the health and functioning of children and youth with serious mental health concerns-

THE INTERCONNECTED SYSTEMS FRAMEWORK (ISF)

ISF

- How Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) can enhance mental health in schools
- Installing MH through MTSS in Schools
 - Systems
 - Data
 - Practices



**ADVANCING EDUCATION
EFFECTIVENESS:**

**INTERCONNECTING SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH
AND SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT**

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A Field-based 'Intervention'

Chapter 2: Considerations for a School Mental Health Implementation Framework

George Sugai and Sharon Stephan

Chapter 3: The Role of School Level Systems in the Interconnecting School Mental Health and School-wide Positive Behavior Support

Nancy A. Lever and Robert Putnam

Chapter 4: School Level Practices

Steven W. Evans, Brandi Simonsen

PBIS is

Framework for enhancing adoption & implementation of



Continuum of evidence-based interventions to achieve



Academically & behaviorally important outcomes for



All students

Interconnected Systems Framework (ISF)

Integrated PBIS & SMH implementation



Improvement of educational
outcomes



All students



Especially, w/ or risk of MH
challenges

Core Features

- **Effective teams** that include community mental health providers
- **Data** based decision making
- Formal processes for the selection and implementation of **evidence based practices** (EBP)
- **Early access** through use of comprehensive screening
- Rigorous **progress-monitoring** for both fidelity and effectiveness
- Ongoing **coaching** at both the systems and practices level.

ISF Defined

- Structure and process for education and mental health systems to interact in most effective and efficient way.
- Guided by key stakeholders in education and mental health/community systems
- who have the authority to reallocate resources, change role and function of staff, and change policy.

ISF Defined

- Tiered prevention logic
- Cross system problem solving teams
- Use of data to decide which evidence based practices to implement.
- Progress monitoring for both fidelity and impact.
- Active involvement by youth, families, and other school and community stakeholders.

Traditional

MH counselor “sees” student at appt.

Clinicians only do “mental health”

Case management notes

ISF

MH person on teams all tiers

Contribute to integrated plan

Contribute to fidelity & data

Illinois District Example

53 school buildings

- Community partners are sitting on Tier 1 and Tier 2 teams as active team members
 - 20 Community Partners
 - i.e: Boys & Girls Club, Police Department, Hospice, Family Services, Girl Scouts, Community Crisis Center, YMCA, etc.
- Community partners regularly attend district PBIS trainings with school staff
- School district is partnering with local mental health agency to integrate restorative practices into the PBIS framework
- Community partners are facilitating interventions (i.e. social skills groups, mentoring, RENEW)
- Universal Screening, progress monitoring student outcomes and intervention fidelity, and ongoing coaching at systems and practices levels

MISSION

The mission of the U-46 School and Community Alliance is to create, integrate and leverage existing and new school/community partnerships that develop a full continuum of systematic interventions based on data. It encompasses three intervention tiers:

- Systems for promoting healthy development and preventing problems
- Systems for responding to problems as soon after onset as is feasible
- Systems for providing intensive care

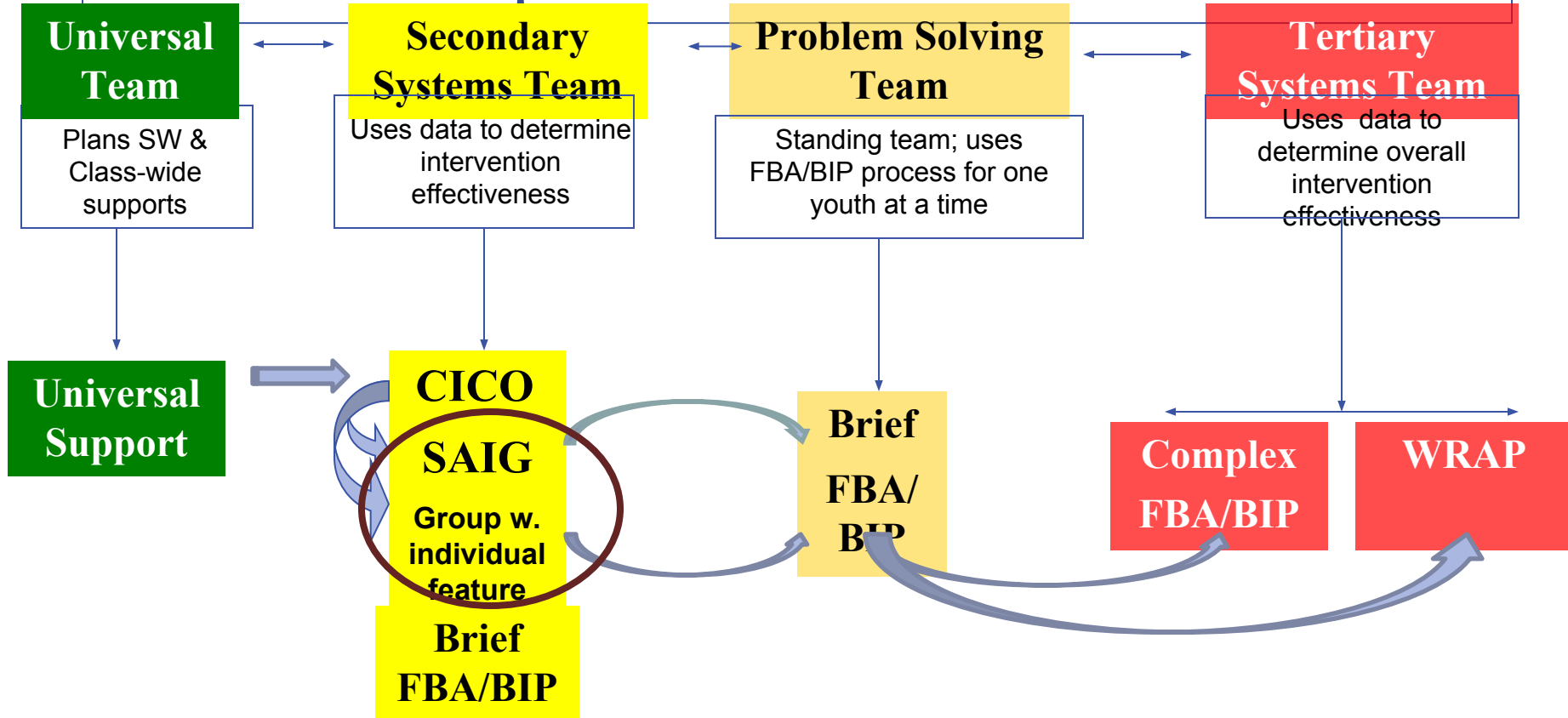
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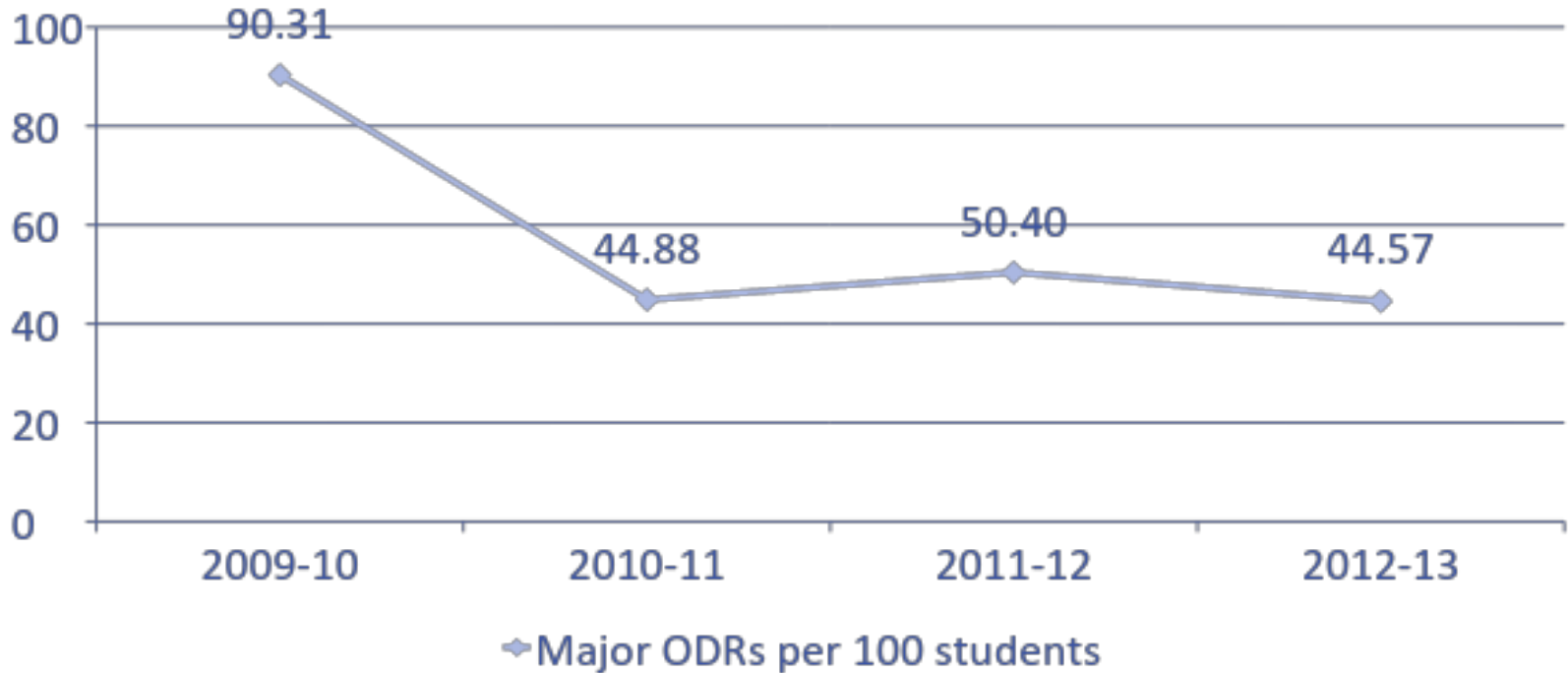
57 providers trained in PBIS/SAIG

Boys and Girls Club of Elgin*Centro de Informacion*
Community Crisis Center*Crossroads Kids Club*
Easter Seals*Elgin Police Department* Family Service
Association of Greater Elgin Area*Fox Valley
Pregnancy Center*Fox Valley Volunteer Hospice*Girl
Scouts of Northern Illinois*Hanover Township Youth
and Family Services*Kenneth Young*Renz
Center*Streamwood Behavioral Healthcare
System*Taylor Family YMCA*The Y*WAYS*West
Ridge Community Church*Youth Leadership Academy

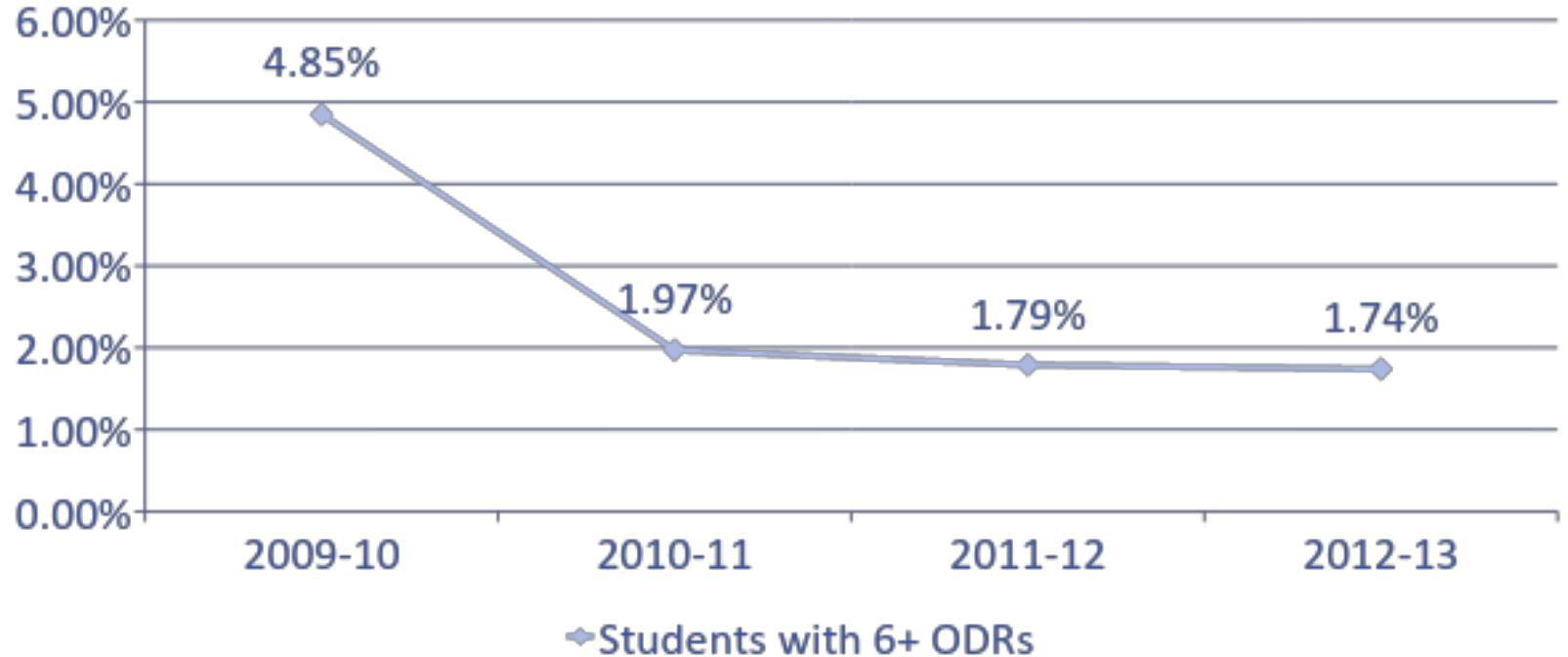
3-Tiered System of Support Implementation Model



G. Elementary Major ODRs per 100 Students



G. Elementary Students with 6+ ODRs



Traditional

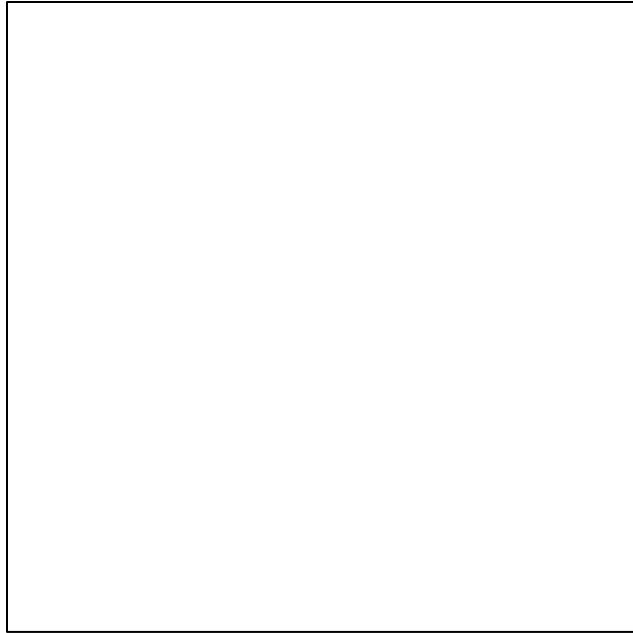


Integrated

- No data to decide on or monitor interventions;

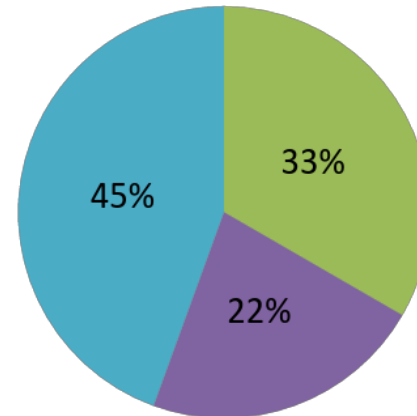
- MH person leads group or individual interventions based on data;

I feel connected to my school

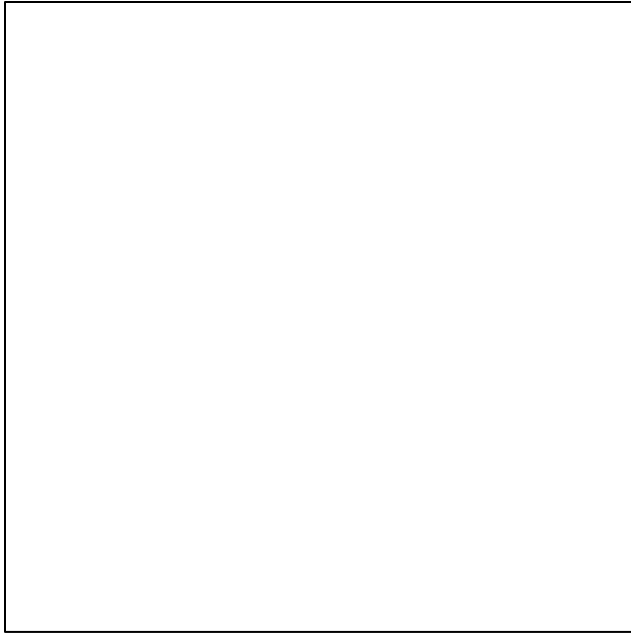


Post-Test

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

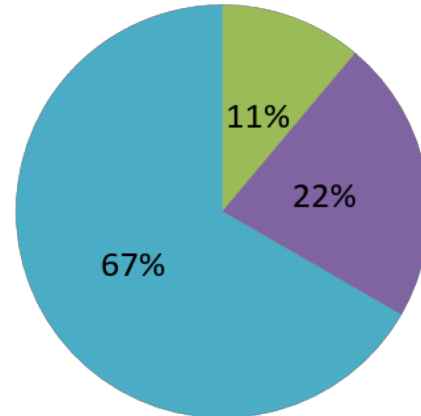


I feel respected & important at school



Post-Test

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Community-School Based Behavioral Health (CSBBH) at a Glance (PA)

34 Teams

Serving over
1,00 Youth
and Families

21 School
Districts/
57 buildings

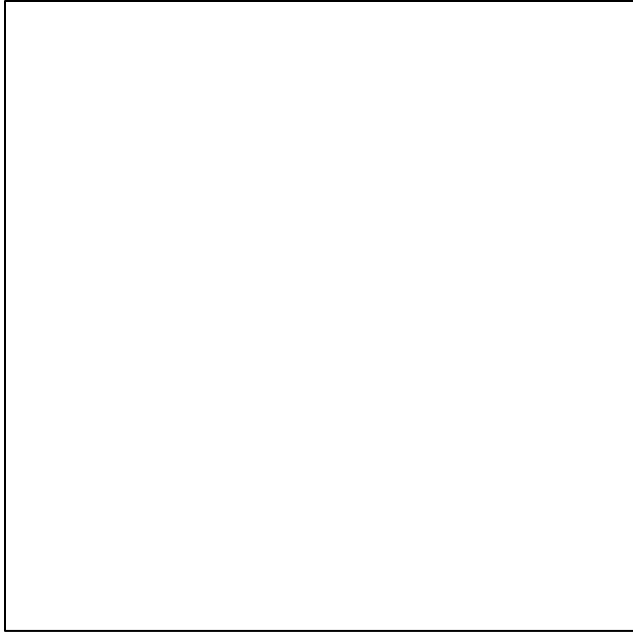
12 Provider
Organizations

12 Counties in
4 Contracts

PA Example Outcome Data

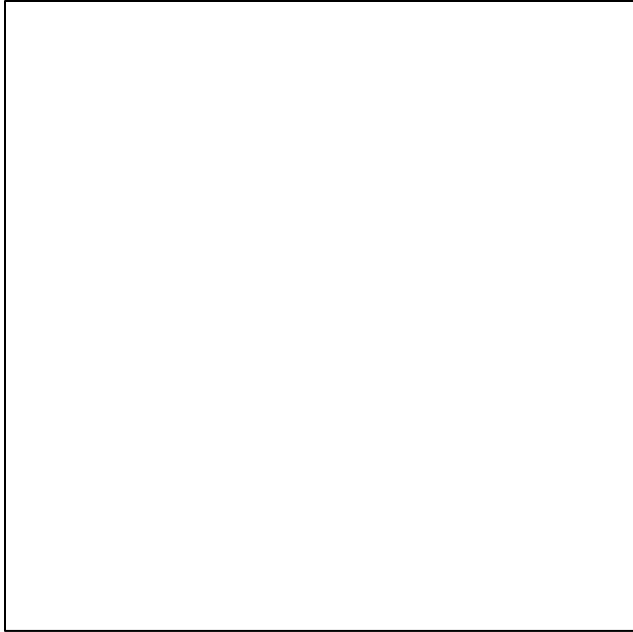
- Mental Health CSBBH Teams collect functional and behavioral outcomes to guide treatment
- Outcomes are collected from a variety of stakeholders including youth, family, and school partners

Child Outcomes Survey (COS) Family Functioning (n= 285 youth 11 schools):



Child Outcomes Survey (COS)

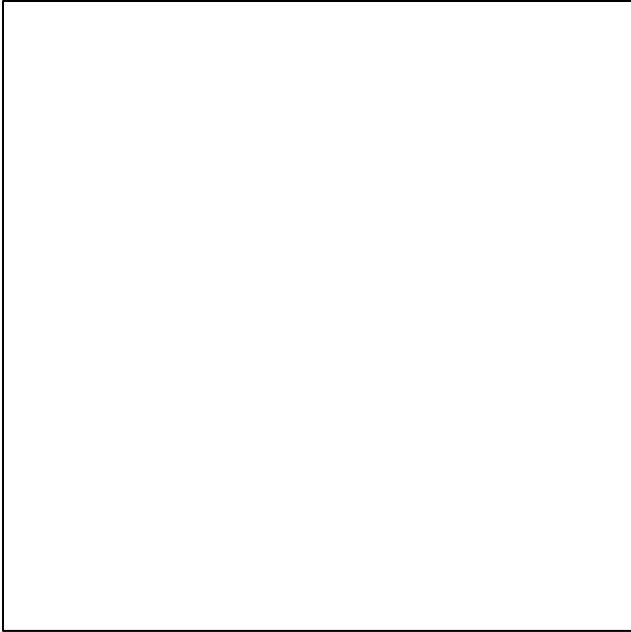
Child Functioning (n= 285 youth 11 schools):



Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire

Parent (SDQ-P) and Teacher (SDQ-T) Total Difficulties

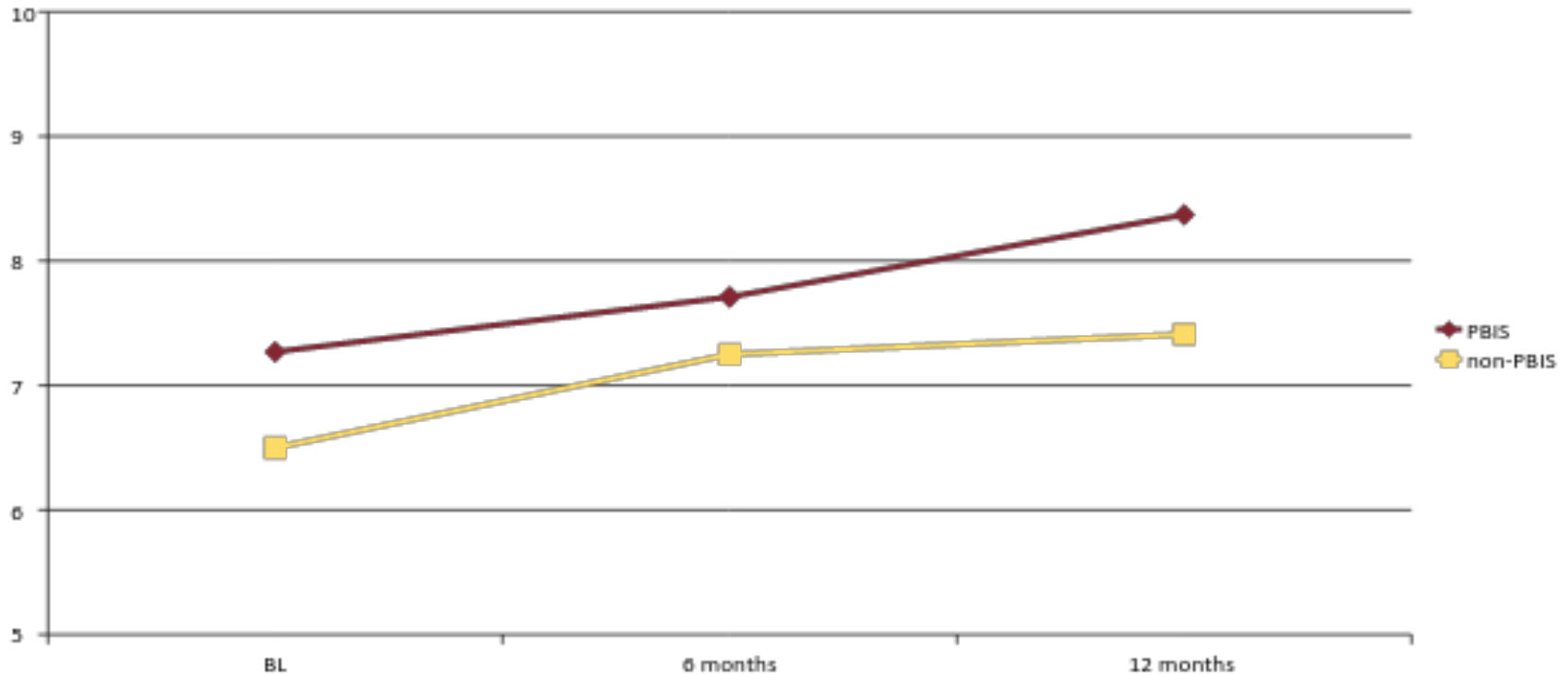
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ISF Comparison

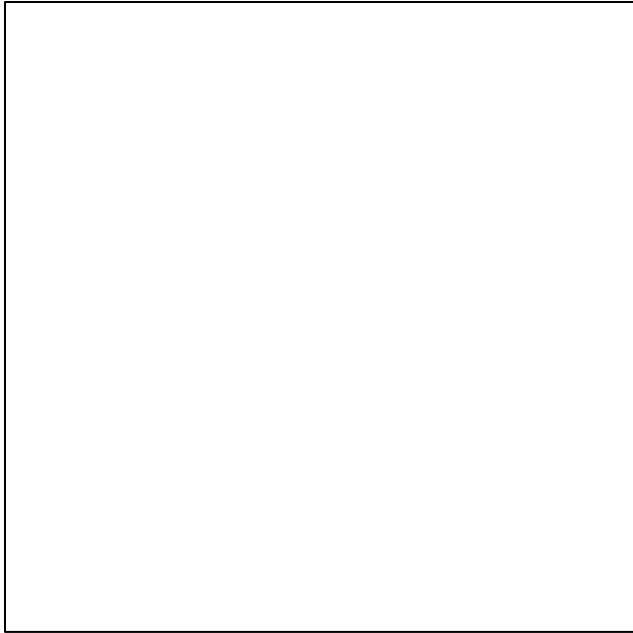
- Significant improvement over time for child and family functioning
- For PBIS schools, higher report of family functioning than non PBIS schools
- Therapeutic Alliance ratings were higher in the PBIS schools.

Family Functioning (n= 285 youth 11 schools)



Child Functioning

(n= 285 youth 11 schools)



SUMMARIZING...

Enhancing the Continuum

- Install ‘foundational’ interventions
- Ensure identification, monitoring, and selection process are in place
- Identify additional interventions that might be needed such as:
 - Trauma Informed Interventions
 - Check and Connect
 - Coping Cat

Where do specific “MH” Interventions Fit?

That depends on the data of the school and community

Examples of Expanded View of data:

- Child welfare contacts,
- Violence rates
- Incarceration rates
- Deployed families,
- Homeless families,
- Unemployment spikes

Selection Process

- The intervention selected should be an intervention that addresses the presenting problem.
- Considerations
 - Developmental level
 - Expertise of the provider
 - Culturally appropriate

FIDELITY and OUTCOMES

Fidelity

- When and how often will you assess implementation fidelity?
- What tool will you use to assess implementation fidelity?
- For this intervention, what is an acceptable level of implementation fidelity?
- What will you do if implementation fidelity is below this acceptable level?

Outcomes

- Daily behavior rating data
- Mood thermometer data (self perception)
- Ongoing use of rating scales

Some start-up steps

1. Conduct resource mapping, review student mental health needs, and review findings as a team.
2. Explore possible mental health interventions to fill gaps
3. Develop a memorandum of agreement (MoA) between the school district and the community mental health agency.
4. Select and install with a focus on access and progress monitoring within the PBIS framework.

ISF Tools

- Appendix A
 - Survey on School Readiness for Interconnecting Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports and School Mental Health
 - Vittoria Anella and Mark Weist
- Appendix B
 - Building an Inclusive Community of Practice: Four Simple Questions
- Appendix C
 - Implementation Guide: Funding
- Appendix D
 - Implementation Guide: Evaluation Tools
- Appendix E
 - Implementation Guide: District and Community Leadership Teams
- Appendix F
 - Selecting Mental Health Interventions with a PBIS Approach
 - Robert Putnam, Susan Barrett, Lucille Eber, Tim Lewis, and George Sugai
- Appendix G
 - Knowledge Development Survey

ISF Webinars

Topic	Recording Link
<p>Exploring the ISF for Integrating SOC & Education <i>Lucille Eber, Midwest PBIS Network, Susan Barrett, Sheppard Pratt Health Systems, & Kelly Perales, Community Care Behavioral Health</i></p> <p>An introduction to the Interconnected System Framework (ISF) for efficiently integrating mental health/SOC in schools featuring lessons learned from Pennsylvania’s implementation experiences.</p>	<p>https://theinstitute.adobeconnect.com/p7ntom23s1p/</p>
<p>Installing ISF-Local Experiences Integrating SOC & Education <i>Susan Barrett, Sheppard Pratt Health Systems</i></p> <p>A review of the core components of the ISF and experiences from SOC/Education efforts in New Hampshire including strategies for work force development, focus for ISF focused leadership teams, and ensuring use of data and evidence-based practices.</p>	<p>https://theinstitute.adobeconnect.com/p5sh4fur2al/</p>
<p>Installing ISF: The Role of School & Community-based Clinicians <i>Lucille Eber, Midwest PBIS Network; Susan Barrett, Mid-Atlantic PBIS Network; Mark Weist, University of South Carolina; Ali Hearn & Sheri Luecking, Midwest PBIS Network; Sharon Stephan & Nancy Lever, University of Maryland</i></p> <p>An overview of the changing-role of clinicians within multi-tiered systems of behavioral health in schools.</p>	<p>https://theinstitute.adobeconnect.com/p23wjt2fphd/</p>

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