

# School-Based Telehealth Workgroup

## Meeting Agenda

June 20, 2018

2:00pm-4:00pm

4160 Patterson Ave., Baltimore MD 21215

Remote (registration required):

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5407621777686538754>

### I. INTRODUCTIONS

### II. OPENING REMARKS

*Ben Steffen, Executive Director, MHCC*

### III. CURRENT STATE OF SCHOOL-BASED TELEHEALTH – POLICY AND PRACTICE

#### 1. Special education

*Kelly Bryant, Related Services Agency Liaison, Charles County Board of Education*

- The need for teletherapy services in Charles County
- How teletherapy is being used to improve care delivery

#### 2. School health services and health centers

*Cheryl DePinto, Acting Director, Maryland Department of Health, Office of Population Health Improvement*

*Alicia Mezu and Lynne Muller, Maryland State Department of Education*

*Sharon Hobson, School-Based Wellness Centers Program Administrator, Howard County Schools*

- MDH and MSDE's role in school-based telehealth policies and programs
- How telehealth is being used in Howard County schools to improve care delivery

#### 3. Maryland Council on Advancement of School-Based Health Centers

*Moira Lawson, Program Administrator, Maryland Community Health Resources Commission*

- CHRC's role in school-based telehealth policies and programs

### IV. DISCUSSION

#### 1. Workgroup activities

#### 2. Discussion items

- Review of discussion items

- Identification of additional questions
- Prioritization of questions

**V. UPDATE ON POTENTIAL GRANT OPPORTUNITIES, ACTIVITIES AND TIMELINE**

**VI. NEXT STEPS**

1. MHCC staff and participant action items
2. Next workgroup meeting: July 18<sup>th</sup>; 2pm-4pm

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## Discussion Items

### Draft Version 1.0

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At the request of the Senate Finance Committee, the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) convened a workgroup to identify deficiencies in existing policies related to school-based telehealth programs and develop an approach for improving these policies. A draft list of proposed discussion items for consideration by the workgroup is detailed below.

- What policies do stakeholders believe would help to ensure the sustainability of telehealth programs in schools?
- What is the impact on school systems' resources for staff training on telehealth technology in schools?
- What policies are needed to ensure that telehealth technology used in Maryland schools is compliant with federal and State privacy and security laws?
- What do stakeholders believe are the Medicaid and private payor reimbursement opportunities and challenges, such as in-network/out-of-network providers?
- What are the leading strengths and weaknesses of current SBHC certification requirements as they relate to providing telehealth services?
- What is the impact on school systems' resources in meeting current SBHC certification requirements as it relates to providing telehealth services?
- What are the benefits and barriers with the current system of providing behavioral health therapy during the school day at secondary schools?
- What impact does an approximate nine-month secondary calendar have on therapy provided in secondary schools (continuity)?
- Do stakeholders believe that treating behavioral conditions in secondary schools is an effective way to provide care to students in need of therapy?
- What are stakeholders' general views of telehealth as a viable alternative to providing care in secondary schools?
- Do stakeholders believe that teletherapy provided in secondary schools can improve a student's health condition?
- What are the leading strengths and weaknesses of teletherapy in secondary schools from the perspective of each stakeholder group?
- What is the impact on patient care, privacy, and cost in providing telehealth services outside a school-based telehealth center?
- What are the benefits and barriers of outsourcing telehealth to a third party?
- Other