Summary – April 24th Listening & Learning Session

Show-Me School-Based Health Alliance of Missouri

Recording Available Here:

https://moschoolhealth.box.com/s/oada6m0j71km6xrtrq3oohzee9mx0i1m

Resources

- Re-entry Guide from Governor's Taskforce/Missouri School Board's Association
 - o Re-entry guide in development; release date is still unknown
 - Will provide support, information, and guidelines for school administrators for re-opening schools and safely re-entering students, teachers, and staff to the school environment
- Mental Health MU Extension (Contact Amy Bartels <u>bartelsa@missouri.edu</u>)
 - MU Extension has partnered with MO School Board Association to offer Youth Mental Health First Aid to faculty/staff in schools; have a hybrid option that schools could leverage as they put together their professional development plans for the upcoming school year
 - Taking Care of You stress management 4-part online series and SHED Grief
 Tools Education and Training program is another program MU Extension has for
 school staff to help meet mental health needs of children & adolescents coping
 with death and non-death losses across various settings
- County public health department (St. Louis County) was able to provide some PPEs & other supplies to school district; other local public health departments may be able to provide supports now or for re-entry
- See additional resources in presentation slides (accessible here)

Communication Efforts

- Outreach/Support to Partners
 - Sending weekly updates regarding FQHC and other local COVID-19 resources and accessing basic health services to school nurse partners, with the hope that this information will also be shared with parents
 - Developing a task force for trying to form a plan on how to be a resource for schools as well as address immunization gaps
 - KCU offering doctoral level students via telehealth support at no cost to schools for school staff support
- Outreach to Students & Families General
 - School nurses are outreaching via phone to check in
 - Putting resources on the school website (challenged by other current school priorities)

- Outreaching to therapy and case management students via phone and video to keep in touch with students, challenged by maintaining periodic contact with students and parents without the captive audience school setting
- o Sharing information on services via social media, website, and email
- Outreach to Students & Families Chronic Conditions
 - For students with chronic conditions, reaching out to students, checking to see if there is an unmet need, letting them know about resources available, doing some healthy habits teaching, and reviewing with them what they do to manage their risk; all via text, phone or email, depending on what works best for the student
 - Outreaching to parents of all students with asthma to provide resources for support; will conduct similar outreach planned for parents of students with diabetes
 - Mobile outreach asthma van has been supporting students with asthma who have been unable to receive supports they usually receive during school

Needs/Challenges

- There will be a need to immunize students as they come back to school, given that they are not currently receiving immunizations
- Dental care is another service that is currently inaccessible to students, will to plan for how to help them get caught up on preventative care as well as address acute dental needs
- May be a potential fear or reluctance to utilize our school-based services next fall due to COVID-19
- Concerned about school nurses access to having adequate PPEs, thermometers, hand sanitizer, soap, and other supplies when schools are back in-session
- Difficult to know everything that is going on regionally (i.e. Kansas City, St. Louis, individual counties)
- Concerned about schools and charter schools that do not have a school nurse or SBH program and that they won't have support they need when it's time to reopen schools
- Concerned about decisions related to summer school, worry it is too early and it may cause a surge of COVID-19 infections
- Concerned about the current CDC recommendation to close schools for 2-5 days if there
 is a positive case of COVID-19, will take a lot of planning and communication