



Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports

Pillar 4 Advisory Committee

January 27, 2026

Objectives

- Overview of Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports
- Consortium Impact
- Grantee presentation

Consortium Mission & Purpose

1. Part of Pillar IV of the Blueprint for Maryland's Future "More Resources for Students to be Successful"
2. Expand access to comprehensive, holistic, non-stigmatized behavioral health and wraparound services
3. All students, pre-K through 12, statewide
4. 25 members appointed by Governor, legislature, and stakeholder groups

Consortium Membership – 25 total

David D. Rudolph, Chair

Laura Torres, Dir. Primary & Early Intervention, BHA, MD Dept of Health

Stephen Liggett-Creel, Sr. Advisor to the Sec., Dept of Human Svcs

Destiny-Simone Ramjohn, PhD., Chair, CHRC

Mary Gable, Asst. Supt Div of Student; State Superintendent, MD State Dept of Ed

Derek Anderson, Director of Community Schools, MD State Dept of Ed

Christina Bartz, Dir of Community Based Programs, Choptank Community Health System

Dr. Derek Simmons, Superintendent, Caroline County Public Schools

Laura McKenzie, Therapist, Kent County School Board Member

Dr. Donna Christy, School Psychologist, Prince George's Co. Public Schools (MSEA rep)

Gail Martin, former Baltimore Co. Public Schools Team Leader, School Social Work

Dr. Katie Burkhouse, Howard County, Maryland School Psychologists Association

Dr. John Campo, MD, Dir of Mental Health, Johns Hopkins Children's Center, JHU Hospital

Sadiya Muqueeth, CHRC Vice Chair

Perrie Briskin, Dep Sec, Health Care Financing & Medicaid Dir, Maryland Dept of Health

Larry Epp, Ed.D., Dir of Outcomes and Innovation, Families and Communities Service Line, Sheppard Pratt

Debbie Marini, Dir of Frederick Co. Dept. of Social Svcs

Michael A. Trader, II, Dir of Planning, Quality, and Core Svcs, Worcester Cty Health Dept

Cheryl R. Brooks, Principal, Baltimore County Schools

Dr. Maureen Ponce, President, Maryland School Counselors Association

Senator Katie Fry Hester

Delegate Eric Ebersole



The Consortium currently has three vacancies.

Consortium Statutory Objectives

1. Support development of Coordinated Community Supports Partnerships to meet student behavioral health and other needs.
2. Provide technical assistance to local school systems to support positive classroom environments and close achievement gaps.
3. Provide expertise in best practices in delivery of behavioral health and wraparound services.
4. Develop statewide framework for partnerships.
5. Ensure supports are holistic and coordinated with other youth-serving agencies.
6. Expand available supports by maximizing Medicaid, commercial insurance, etc.
7. Implement grant program to deliver services and supports.
8. Evaluate provider reimbursement system.
9. Develop best practices for positive classroom environment.
10. Ensure geographically diverse plan to ensure access to services within 1-hour drive.
11. Develop accountability metrics.
12. Use accountability metrics to develop best practices to deliver supports and services and maximize federal, local, and private funding.

Subcommittees and Public Comment

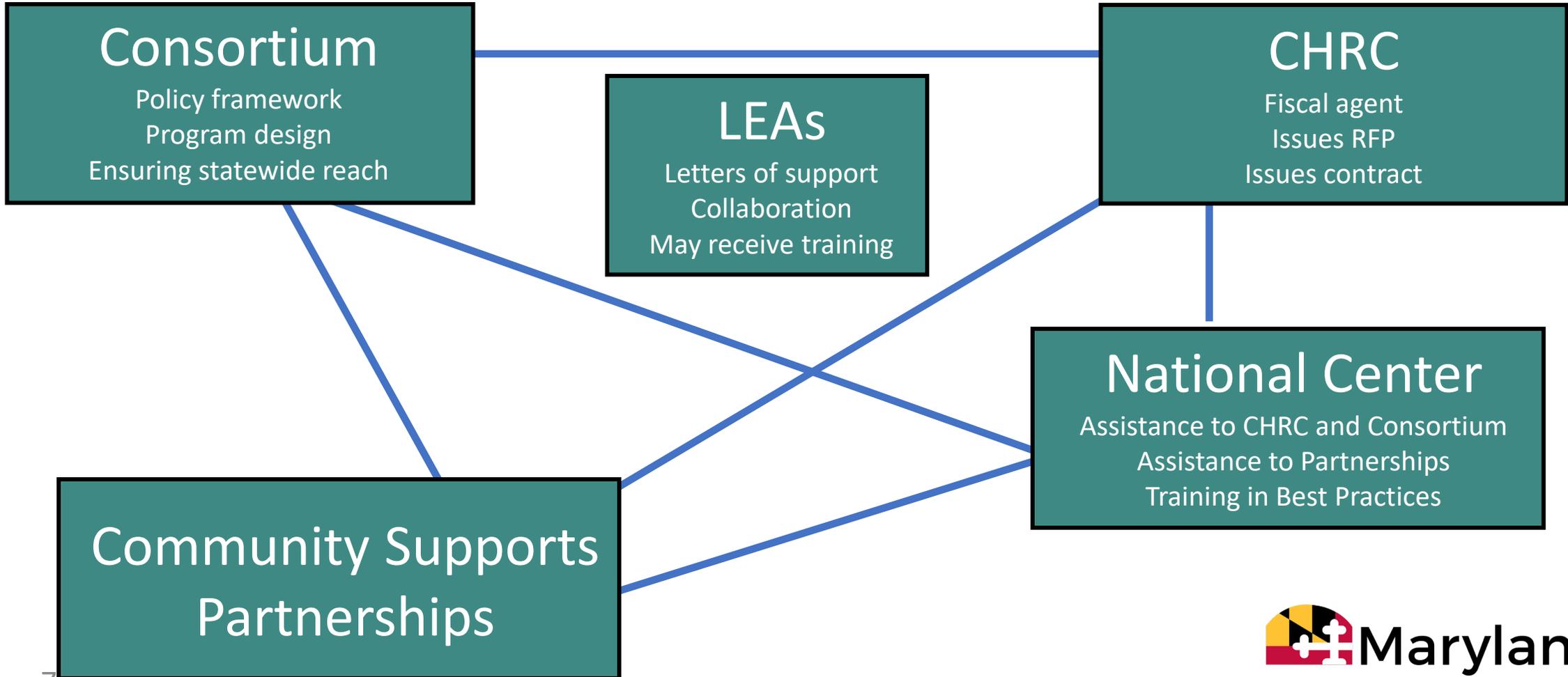
4 Subcommittees

1. Framework and RFA – Sadiya Muqueeth
2. Data – Larry Epp
3. Outreach – vacant
4. Best Practices – John Campo and Derek Simmons

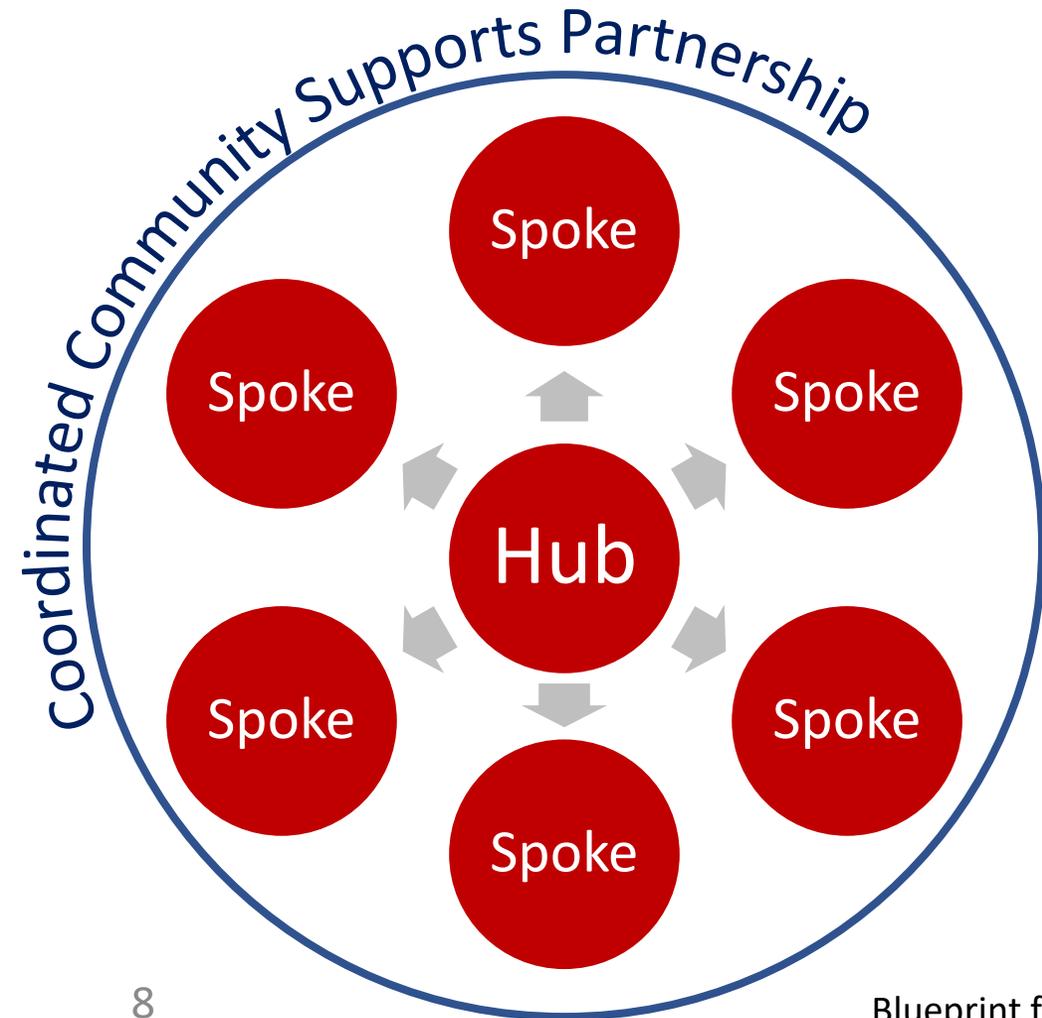
4 rounds of public comment

- Responses reviewed by Subcommittees
- Overall program design
- Selection of Evidence-Based Programs

Implementing agencies



Partnerships: Legislative Requirements



- Partnerships should be “formed,” serve an “area,” and involve many different kinds of organizations and people.
- Partnerships must be “community-based, family driven, and youth-guided,” and provide “holistic and coordinated services and supports” including both “behavioral health and other wraparound needs.”
- Partnership grants may include “partnership coordinators” and “reasonable administrative costs.”

Community Supports Partnerships 2026-2027 School Year

- **20 out of 24 jurisdictions** in the State will be applying as Community Support Partnerships in the FY 2027 RFA



Consortium Statutory Scorecard (excerpt)

Objectives		Key Achievements
1. Support development of Coordinated Community Supports Partnerships to meet student behavioral health and other needs.	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 full Community Supports Partnerships (CSPs) funded serving 12 jurisdictions • In the 2026-2027 school year, expansion to 14 full CSPs serving 20 jurisdictions anticipated
2. Provide technical assistance to local school systems to support positive classroom environments and close achievement gaps.	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5,946 school-employed staff trained in 15 Evidence-Based Programs by the National Center
3. Provide expertise in best practices in delivery of behavioral health and wraparound services.	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 108 behavioral health grants funded • 1620 community providers trained in 15 Evidence-Based Programs by the National Center • Ongoing implementation support provided by the National Center & CHRC to ensure program fidelity

Consortium Statutory Scorecard (excerpt)

Objectives		Key Achievements
4. Develop a statewide framework for partnerships.	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 full Community Supports Partnerships (CSPs) funded serving 12 jurisdictions • 324 schools served by Community Support Partnerships
5. Ensure supports are holistic and coordinated with other youth-serving agencies.	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSPs are required to complete Asset Maps to identify youth-serving resources within their community • CSPs are required to work with local youth-serving agencies to coordinate holistic services • CSPs are encouraged to seek student and caregiver input on services
6. Expand available supports by maximizing Medicaid, commercial insurance, etc.	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hired Medicaid consultant to assist grantees with maximizing billable services

Year 1 Grants Impact (2024-2025 school year)

Service providers

- 127 programs
- \$110 million total
- Grant period March 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025
- Every jurisdiction of the state
- Funded from FY 2023 and 2024

Partnership Hub Pilots

- Pilot 10 Hubs (15 jurisdictions)
- LBHAs and LMBs only
- Grant period April 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025
- TA - Preparing Hubs to lead future Community Supports Partnerships

Holistic Behavioral Health Services



Training and implementation support in 15 priority Evidence-Based Programs

Year One Outcomes

- Expanded access to services
- Increased capacity to deliver services
- Achieved quantifiable outcomes
- Began to build Community Supports Partnership framework

136,945

students received behavioral health services

86%

of Maryland schools (1,210) received behavioral health services

705

new behavioral health workforce members hired

1,620

behavioral health providers trained in proven practices to improve student outcomes

5,946

school staff trained in behavioral health practices to improve student outcomes

87%

students and families satisfied with behavioral health services

Of all behavioral health assessments completed to date...



Prevention Services

80% demonstrated a desired behavioral health skill.



Targeted Services

66% improved and an additional 29% maintained behavioral health outcomes.



Intensive Services

61% improved and an additional 24% maintained behavioral health outcomes.

Note: Desired behavioral health skills and improvement/maintenance in behavioral health outcomes are based on assessments of clinical progress given by clinicians March 2024 - June 2025.

Year 2 Grants

- 154 programs statewide
- \$97 million total
- Grant period July 1, 2025-
June 30, 2026
- 7 full Community Supports
Partnerships (12 jurisdictions)
- 9 pilot Hubs



Impact, 2025-2026 school year (current)

- ✓ More than 94,000 students served
 - 31,000 students received services beyond school-wide events
- ✓ 70% of Maryland schools receiving services
- ✓ 90% satisfaction rate

94,104

students received behavioral health services



70%

of schools (1,018) received behavioral health services

225

new behavioral health workforce members hired



During the 2025-2026 funding year, 7 Community Supports Partnerships were established to oversee services in 12 Maryland counties within a statewide system in which community providers serve all 24 Maryland jurisdictions.

294

community behavioral health providers trained in practices to improve student outcomes



Prevention Services
91% of students developed or improved a behavioral health skill.

3,027

school staff trained in behavioral health practices to improve student outcomes



Targeted Services
90% of students improved or remained stable in behavioral health outcomes.

90%

students and family members satisfied with services



Intensive Services
86% of students improved or remained stable in behavioral health outcomes.

Outcomes are determined from all Y2 clinician-administered assessments of clinical progress.

Next school year - FY 2027 Request for Applications

Timeline	Action Item
December 10, 2025	RFA issued
February 11, 2026 3:00 PM EST	Proposals due
Spring 2026	Awards made
July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027	Grant period



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**Coordinated Community Supports
Partnerships**

FY 2027 Request for Applications

Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports

January 5, 2026

Consortium Goals

1. Expand access to high-quality behavioral health and related services for students and families

2. Improve student wellbeing and readiness to learn

3. Foster positive classroom environments

4. Promote sustainability through revenues from Medicaid, commercial insurance, hospital community benefit, and other funding sources



Executing the Vision

- ✓ \$200M in behavioral health programs awarded
- ✓ 136,945 students served in year one; 86% of Maryland schools served; 167,000 to be served in year two
- ✓ 705 behavioral health workforce members hired

- ✓ 80% of students who received prevention services demonstrated a desired behavioral health skill
- ✓ 64% of students who received targeted or intensive services demonstrated improvement

- ✓ 5,946 school staff trained in behavioral health practices to improve student outcomes
- ✓ 1,620 behavioral health providers trained in evidence-based programs

- ✓ Medicaid consultant assisting grantees with billing practices and advise on maximizing Medicaid revenue
- ✓ 22 grantees leveraged other funding sources (\$5M)

Grantee Presentation



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