WHAT’S NEXT?
SCHOOL HEALTH POLICY IN 2020 AND BEYOND
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The webinar is being recorded

Supporting materials will be shared
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Learn more: schoolhealthcenters.org
2020 Virtual School Health Advocacy Day

Sign up today! Last day to register is tomorrow!
CA Alliance of Child and Family Services

- 145 member organizations serving children, youth, young adults and families throughout California
- Providing mental health substance use, foster care, education and juvenile justice programs
- Policy, Advocacy, Legislation
- Public Policy Platform
- Catalyst Center
  - Provider Helpline
  - ACES Aware
  - Supporting the field beyond members
CA Alliance School Health Policy Priorities

• Students have access to on campus mental health services and supports
• Foster youth are supported and can access specialized school-based support
• Multi-tiered systems of support to prevent entry into special education but also ensure high quality, intensive interventions when required
20-21 Budget Overview
Education

• If no Federal funds materialize, payment deferrals will occur rather than cuts
• No cuts to Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)
• $645M Proposition 98 funding for special education services and supports
• $45M from the Federal Trust Fund (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund) for grants to LEAs and County Offices of Ed to support and expand existing community schools
20-21 Budget Overview
Early Education and Prevention

• No Cuts per May Revise

• Rejects reductions for Alternative Payment programs, General Child Care, and California State Preschool Program for negative growth

• Approves a one-time $30 million General Fund cut in 2020-21 for the CalWORKs Home Visiting program, restoring the funding in 2021-22.

• Rejects the May Revise proposal to reduce $4.5 million General fund from the Black Infant Health Program.

• Includes $7.6 million for ACE’s screening and $21 million for ACE’s provider training but requires certain funding conditions to exist for these programs to continue past July 1, 2021
Partnership with CDE to Address Students’ Mental Health Needs

- The CA Alliance will be working with the CDE and the CA Association of School Psychologists and Counselors to convene service providers and others prepared to offer resources to students’ in need of mental health services.
20-21 State Budget Trailer Bill

• A comparatively successful year for advocacy on student mental health and social emotional learning
20-21 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan

• First time the state has required that the general ed accountability document address student mental health:
  – The Learning Continuity Plan must include how the LEA will provide PD and resources to address COVID-19 trauma and how the LEA will monitor and support pupil and staff mental health.
$5.2 Billion for Learning Loss Mitigation

• Approx. $4.2 federal CARES state aid funds and $1 billion state general funds

• Allowable uses include to: support academic achievement and mitigate learning loss, including closing learning gaps, extending the instructional year, providing additional academic supports, and/or providing integrated supports such as health, counseling or mental health services.
Specialty Grants = State Priorities

• Bad budget year = few specialty/categorical grants
• 20-21 Budget
  – $45 million for community schools
  – $112 million for nutrition
  – $750,000 for SCOE to develop distance learning curricula, including guidance on embedding social emotional supports
  – Intent to direct funds away from school resource officers and toward counselors and mental health experts
  – Meanwhile, several large grants from the 19-20 budget eliminated
LOCAL/STATE PARTNERSHIPS - HEALTH & EDUCATION

- Medi-Cal for Students Workgroup
  - Tasked with identifying ways to improve coordination and expansion of access to available federal funds for school health
- Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) grants
  - Fund partnerships between county behavioral health departments and local education entities for the purpose of increasing access to school mental health
    - 10 existing partnerships
    - 8 new partnerships

CSHA is developing a School Mental Health Implementation Guide to support these partnerships