

Pediatric Mental Health Care Access (PMHCA) Program Fact Sheet

PMHCA Overarching Program Goal

Promote behavioral health integration into pediatric primary care by using telehealth to provide high quality and timely detection, assessment, treatment and referral for children and adolescents, with behavioral health conditions.



PMHCA Program Purpose

Promote behavioral health integration in pediatric primary care in new or existing telehealth access programs.

Provide training and education to support the treatment of children and adolescents with behavioral health conditions.

Support telehealth consultation to pediatric providers and referral to a local pediatric behavioral health provider, as needed.

Serve as a care coordination support services resource for pediatric providers, psychiatrists, mental health professionals, and care coordinators.

“ I feel so much more confident after our thorough conversations and I am providing timely care to my patients! It has reduced my anxiety about handling mental health concerns ten-fold.”

-PMHCA Awardee, March 2023

“ It is such a great resource for our patients (website) and providers. I really appreciate the timely consults and write-ups with recommendations. Educational, informational, and gives me more confidence in my practice for future cases.”

-PMHCA Awardee, April 2023

PMHCA Priorities

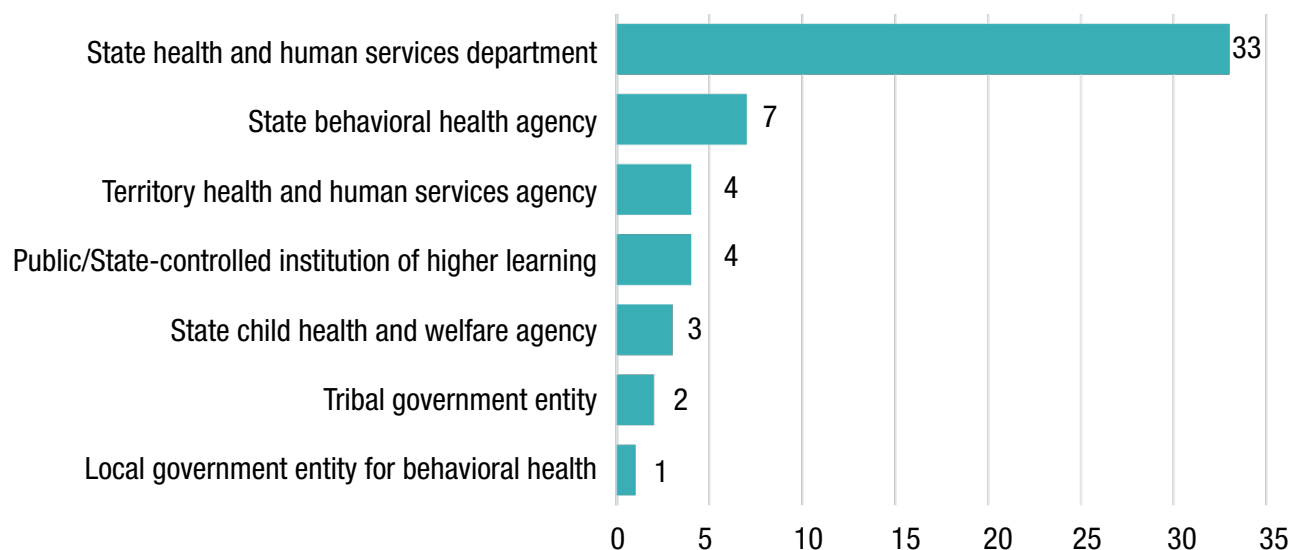
- Increase pediatric mental health teams' availability and accessibility for consultation and referral.
- Train and offer technical support for early identification, diagnosis, and treatment of children with behavioral health conditions.
- Aid pediatric providers in timely detection, assessment, treatment, and referral through telehealth and evidence-based practices.
- Enhance access to behavioral health treatment and referral services, particularly in rural and areas with health professional shortages.
- Establish and maintain telehealth technologies, protocols, and care models.



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PMHCA Awardee Lead Agency

PMHCA Program Awardee Types



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