



## School-Based Health Care Initiative

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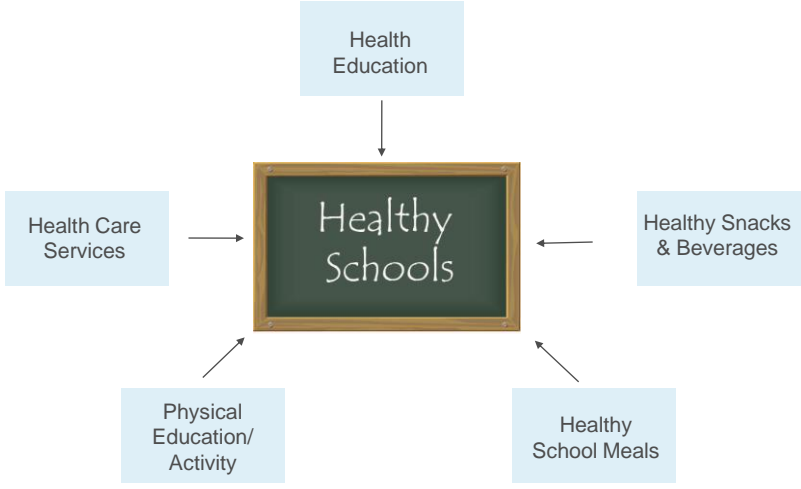
## Our Vision

Together we will make Colorado the healthiest state in the nation.



## Health Priorities





## Health Care Services

- Improve access to services
- Enroll eligible students in Medicaid and CHP+
- Increase and diversify funding for SBHCs





## School-Based Health Care Initiative

- 4-year, \$10.8 million initiative
- Funding for new/expanded school-based health care programs
- New approach to planning, funding and implementing SBHCs
- Focused on increasing sustainability of school-based health centers
  - Operating efficiencies
  - Maximizing revenue
  - Policy changes



## Readiness Assessment

- Describe needs, resources, partnerships within the school and the community at large
- Can't be completed alone – encouraging/requiring collaboration
- Reveal gaps between needs and resources
- Identify opportunities for integration within the community's health care system
- Help structure the appropriate school-based health care program
- Constitute the centerpiece of the application for a planning grant





## Business Plan

- Focus on sustainability from the start
- Financial pro forma to help identify revenue and expenses over multiple years
- Emphasize importance of maximizing revenue
  - The gap between resources and needs should shrink over time.
- Partnering with Colorado Association for School-Based Health Care to provide technical assistance



## Implementation Funding

- Up to four years, \$400,000 for implementation funding
- Emphasis on state and federal policy change that will help SBHCs become more sustainable
- Evaluating
  - Quantity, quality of services delivered
  - Movement toward sustainability
  - Process



## SBHCs and health disparities

- Prioritize areas that have greater needs
- Readiness Assessment will identify the disparities that exist and the partners that can help address them
- Large Latino population in Colorado
  - Schools are trusted source of health care.
- Opportunity to educate immigrant populations about the health care system
  - importance of prevention
  - how to talk to health care providers



## SBHCs and health care reform

- Health care delivery is local
- SBHCs must be part of the community's health care delivery system
  - Credibility, relationships
- Readiness Assessment and Business Plan
  - plan according to community needs
  - build partnerships with community providers
  - build SBHC on community resources
- Federal health care reform
  - Build on Medicaid, CHP+ as foundations of health care system – critical that SBHCs are part of the system
  - Emphasis on prevention and early intervention – SBHCs uniquely positioned to engage in prevention and early intervention

