School-Based Health Centers
The Intersection of Health and Education

Health is a critical factor in setting our children up for success inside and outside of school. School-based health centers (SBHCs) increase access to health care, contribute to positive educational outcomes, reduce emergency room use, lower Medicaid costs, and expand access to mental health services.

Healthy Benefits
Services that SBHCs Provide

- Primary and Acute Care
- Mental Health & Wellness
- Vaccinations & Labwork
- Dental Care
- Vision Screenings

Healthy Impacts
Health Supports Successful Students & Families

- Better Access to Health Services
- Healthier Students and Families
- Gains in Student Academic Success
- Helps to Build Trust
- Families Connect With the School

- Attendance Rate Increases
- Dropout Rate Decreases
- Lower Medicaid Costs
- Reduced Emergency Room Usage
- More Time at Work
- Increases Families' Financial Security
Healthy Partnerships
Delivering Health Services to Underserved Communities

Most school-based health centers are operated by an external medical sponsoring agency.

Federally Qualified Health Centers
Hospitals
Nonprofit or Community-Based Organizations
Local Health Departments
School Districts

Working in Every State
A Growing National Movement

Delivery Models
- On Site
- Telehealth
- School-Linked
- Mobile

2,500+
SBHCs Nationwide

The School-Based Health Alliance works on policy, standards, data, and training issues with state affiliates and national organization partners, advocates, healthcare providers, and SBHCs in every state.

Our Focus
The School-Based Health Alliance Works to Support & Grow SBHCs

Policy
- Establishes and advocates for national policy priorities

Standards
- Promotes high-quality clinical practices and standards, including for telehealth

Data
- Supports data collection and reporting, evaluation, and research

Training
- Provides training, technical assistance, and consultation

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