



Mobile Health Partnerships to Address Protective Health Measures that Prevent Childhood Infectious Diseases

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## Learning objectives

#### Participants will be able to...

- Define mobile health (mHealth) and how mobile health services support early detection and management of chronic diseases.
- Identify key champions and successful mobile health collaborations (e.g., healthcare providers, schools, community organizations).
- Understand how partnerships enhance outreach, engagement, and service delivery for students.
- Identify how mobile health partnerships can overcome barriers to healthcare access.



### **Today's Speakers**



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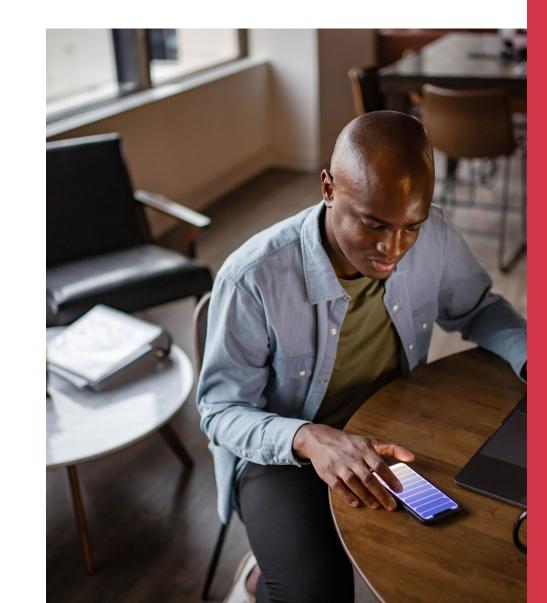


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# What is Mobile Health (mHealth)?

- **Definition:** The use of mobile technology to deliver healthcare services.
- Key Components:
  - Telehealth for remote consultations
  - Mobile healthcare providers
  - Outside of schools, in many cases a van equipped with medical equipment







## **Preventing the Spread of Infectious Disease**

- On-Site Preventive Care
- Early Detection and Rapid Testing
- Reducing Barriers to Healthcare Access
- Telehealth and Remote Consultations

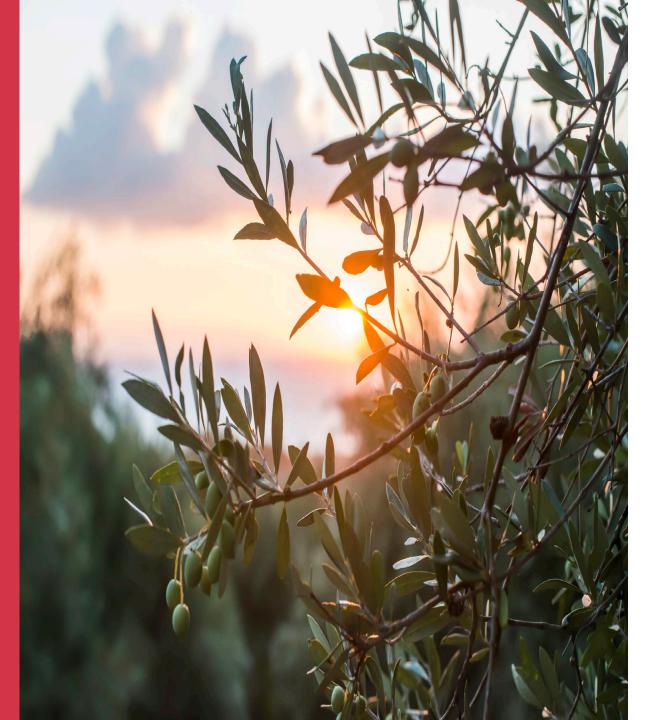




### **Brainstorm**

What are some mHealth innovations you have seen in your communities?







## The Need for Mobile Health in Keeping Youth Healthy

- Barriers to healthcare access: rural communities, transportation issues.
- The role of **early intervention and prevention** in reducing illness and hospitalizations.
- Lack of availability for school-based health centers in some areas.

## **Key Collaborations**

- Students & Patients Providing feedback & engagement in services.
- Healthcare Providers Doctors, nurses, clinic staff, and student learners integrating mobile health into patient care.
- **Technology** Companies creating telehealth platforms, electronic health records.
- Government / Public Health Agencies & Potential Funders Ensuring regulations, funding, and large-scale adoption.
- Schools & Community Organizations Expanding access to care.
- Insurance & Payers Supporting reimbursement models for mHealth services.





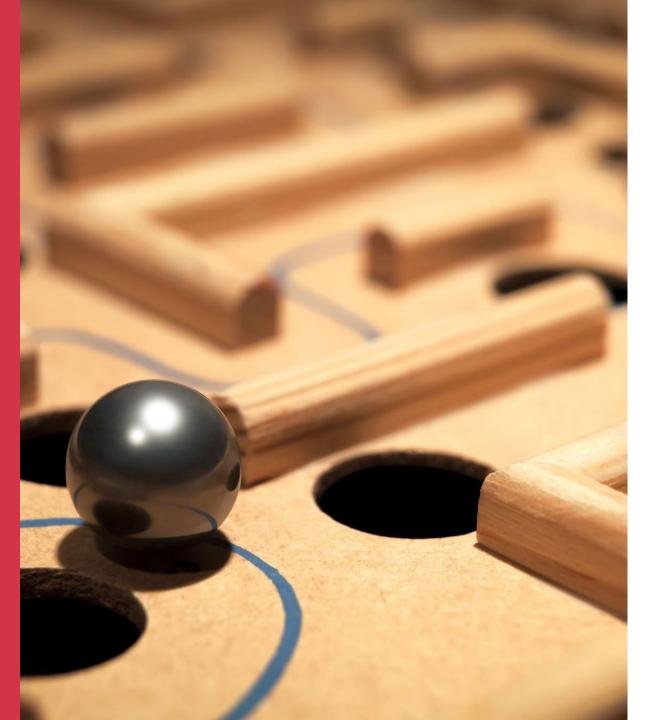


## What Are Mobile Health Partnerships?

- Types of partnerships: schools, healthcare providers, public health agencies, nonprofits, and businesses.
  - What are some other general organizations to partner with?
  - Who are some unexpected partners?
- **Benefits:** Increased access, convenience, and targeted health interventions, an established relationship for when emergencies and disasters occur.









## **Overcoming Obstacles**

- Funding & Resource
   Limitations: Securing grants and public-private investments.
- Parental Consent & Participation: Educating families on the benefits of mobile health.
- Regulatory & Privacy
   Concerns: Navigating HIPAA
   compliance and school policies.
- **Physical Mobile Health Challenges:** vehicle maintenance, staff recruitment and retainment.

## **Sustainability Strategies for Mobile Health**

- **Long-term funding models** (public health funding, corporate sponsorships, grants).
- Integration with school health programs for seamless service delivery.
- **Data-driven reporting** to showcase impact and secure continued support.





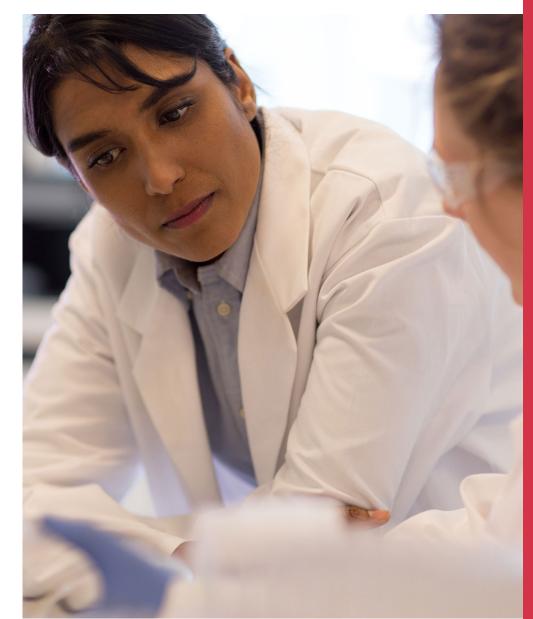




# Action Steps & Implementation

- Let's take a moment to brainstorm who you could collaborate with to set up mobile health partnerships.
- What resources exist in your community and who could you partner with in regards to mobile health for your school-based health center?





## **Case Study**

**Denver Health** 



**Cori Depue, Operations Manager, Mobile Health Centers** 



## **Denver Health Mobile Health Centers**

Denver Health Mobile Health Centers (MHCs) includes:

#### **Four Vehicles**

Cancer Screening
Primary Care Services
Medication assisted treatment (MAT) services

#### **25 Staff Members**

Medical Director and Advanced Practice Providers
Medical Assistants, Clerks, and Drivers
Care Navigator & other programmatic staff

#### Mission:

To serve Denver communities in locations where people live, work, play, and worship.





## **Mobile Health Center 3 – Care in DPS**

#### Mobile Health Centers (MHCs) provide basic primary care

#### Who can be seen?

Any member of DPS community that can walk up four steep steps.
Any member of DPS community that is ages >2 y/o through adulthood.

#### Who can't be seen?

Any non-member of DPS communityAny patients with mobility issues (no wheelchair access on MHC3, yet)

#### Locations?:

•Serving 6 Denver Public School Hubs

•Any DPS school that is requesting services that do NOT have a school-based health center





### **PARTNERING WITH DPS COMMUNITY HUBS?**

#### Supportive Family Services located at 6 DPS Locations (one in each region)

English classes levels 1-4
GED English tutoring preparation
GED Spanish tutoring preparation
Citizenship preparation
Computer/technology support
Spanish conversation class
Workforce development: job placement, resume building, etc.









## WORKING TOGETHER **Mobile Health + DPS**

#### Services offered on mobile unit:

- Physicals/WCC
- Injury and illness care
- Chronic condition management
- Protective Health Measures
- Routine lab tests
- Confidential care
- Enrollment Services
- Wellness exams
- Cardiovascular disease treatment (high blood pressure, heart disease, etc.)
- And more!





#### ASK US HOW TO SCHEDULE

#### All Patient Scheduling is handled through the DPS Community Hub Locations

- Hub staff conduct outreach to patients who are non-compliant for vaccines
- Hub staff offer appointments to students and eligible family members
- Hub staff support mobile clinics with expansions to other schools
  - Green Valley Elementary, ECE sites, Ashley Elementary, etc.

## For any current patients that need to be scheduled on the mobile unit for services, please direct them to their nearest Community Hub

Hub Locations

Far Northeast	<b>Central</b>
John H. Amesse Elementary	Swansea Elementary School
School	4650 Columbine St., Denver, CO
5440 Scranton St., Denver CO	80216
80239	Email the Central Community
Email the Far Northeast Community Hub 720-424-2961	<u>Hub</u> 720-424-3710
Southwest	Near Northeast
Johnson Elementary School	Hallett Academy
1850 S. Irving St., Denver, CO	2950 Jasmine St., Denver, CO
80219	80207
Email the Southwest Community	Email the Near Northeast
Hub	Community Hub
720-424-2970	720-423-1170
Southeast	Northwest
Place Bridge Academy	Trevista at Horace Mann
7125 Cherry Creek N. Dr., Denver,	4130 Navajo St., Denver, CO
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Email the Southeast Community	Email the Northwest Community
Hub	Hub
720-424-1040	720-423-1180



#### **COST OF SERVICES / INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Educating Students + Parents**

#### **Cost for DPS students + siblings:**

- All services are offered at NO COST to DPS students + siblings
- This is the same practice as school-based clinics

#### **Cost for DPS parents:**

- If a patient is insured (Medicaid/ private insurance) or is using a discount program (CICP), they will be charged their traditional co-pay fee and their standard coverage for primary care services will apply
  - Please note that co-pays vary by insurance or for CICP depending upon a person's income. The copay range for primary care is \$0-\$40.
- If a patient is uninsured (meaning income is \$0), we will serve them and there will be no cost for services.
- We will NOT serve any adult who lives out of Denver County and is uninsured.



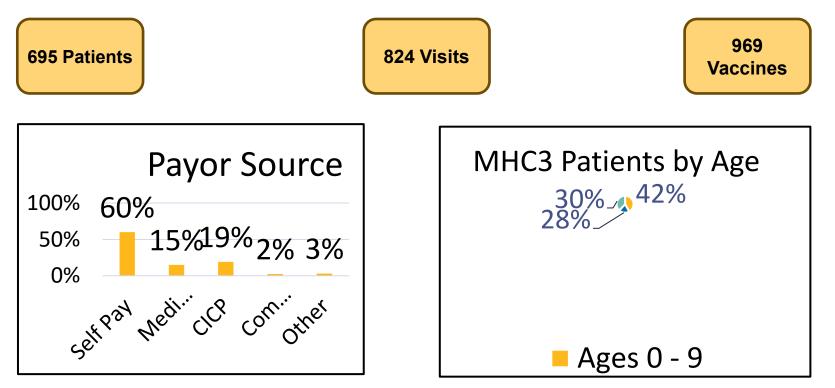
### ASK US WHERE WE SERVE





### ASK US HOW WE DID DURING OUR FIRST YEAR!

From 1/18/24 – 12/31/24, we served:





#### **ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS**

#### How to Request & Host a Mobile Health Clinic Event

- Fill out an interest form on DenverHealth.org/MHC
- Meet with an MHC Staff member virtually
- Conduct a site-visit with MHC staff at your location to
  - Identify parking
  - Discuss logistics
- Connect virtually 1 week prior to the event
- Host the clinic
- Debrief & ideate future opportunities to partner



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#### **ADDITIONAL EFFORTS**

#### **To Improve mHealth Access at Denver Health**

- School-Based Virtual (Urgent) Care Program
  - Partner with 22 DPS Schools without SBHCs
  - Uses mHealth technologies to allow DPS Nurses to virtually connect to SBHCs
  - Expanded care to an additional 9,000 students
- Dental Sealant Program
  - Uses mobile dental equipment to offer free preventative dental sealant services to DPS students
  - This free service is provided at 70+ DPS site
  - Work collaboratively with school nurses to enroll children to participate
- Substance Use Navigator (SUN) Program
  - Deploys behavioral health specialists alongside Denver Police Department to effectively respond to calls for behavioral health needs.





# **QUESTIONS?**

## **THANK YOU!**





## Wrapping It Up

Mobile health partnerships can address protective health measures to prevent the spread of infectious diseases among school-aged children.

Today focused on school-based mobile health programs and partnerships, care coordination, and care strategies best practices for school-aged children and adolescent populations.

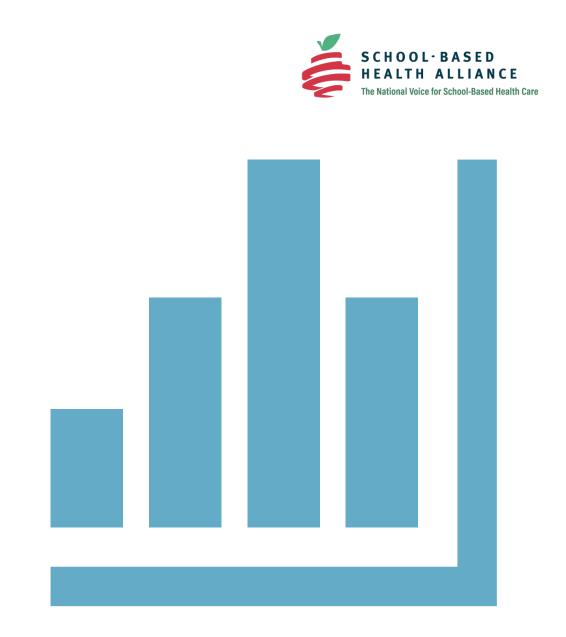
#### SBHA School-Based Mobile Healthcare Toolkit:

https://tools.sbh4all.org/school-based-mobilehealth-toolkit/



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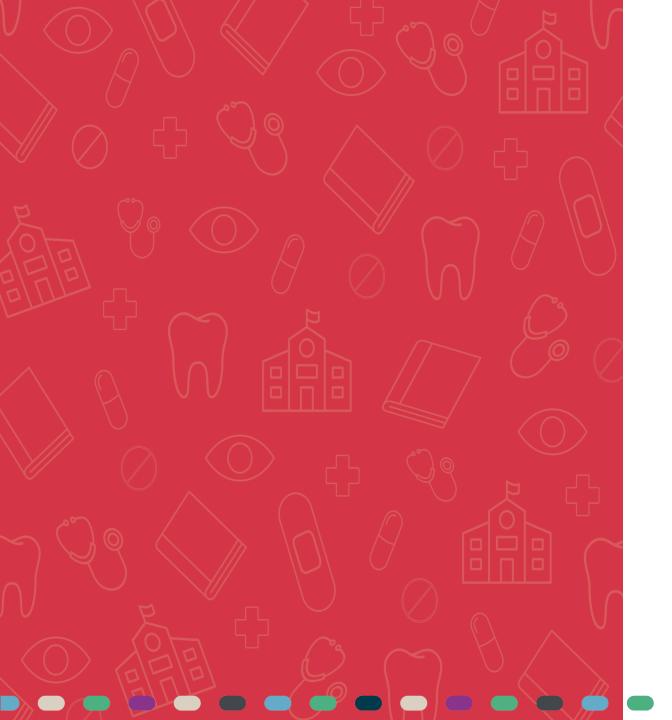


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