



**Winnisquam Regional System of Care
Community Management Team
Memorandum of Understanding
9/1/2017**

I. Purpose

To build partnerships with organizations and individuals that work with youth and families, promote system integration, enable policy and infrastructure change, and develop sustainable services and supports for youth and their families in the towns of Northfield, Sanbornton, and Tilton.

II. Vision

We envision an integrated community that supports the overall social, emotional, mental and behavioral wellness of children, youth and families.

III. Mission

Our mission is to create and support the expansion and sustainability of a regional system of care that encompasses the towns of Franklin, Laconia, Northfield, Sanbornton, and Tilton.

IV. Goals and Objectives

The Community Management team will be working closely over the 2017/2018 year period to complete the following goals:

1. Increase the percent of children entering Kindergarten and 1st grade who possess the necessary social and emotional skills to be successful in school.
2. Increase the number of children birth to age 5 participating in early childhood experiences.
3. Improve the mental, emotional and behavioral health functioning of all students by facilitating access to relevant health services at every tier along the continuum.
4. Increase the connectedness among families, schools and communities through knowledge building and engagement.
5. Build protective factors and increase youth resiliency while decreasing risk factors.
6. Improve and build upon positive school culture and climate.

These goals will be accomplished by:

1. Meeting monthly as a Community Management Team (CMT) to discuss initiatives, partnerships, policy and infrastructure changes, gaps in services and programs, and progress with goals.

2. Develop three small work groups to tackle the themes of prevention, promotion, and early childhood.
3. Develop a comprehensive work plan that details the individual tasks and initiatives that the CMT hopes to accomplish during the first year.

Outcomes for partnership:

- 1) *Increase the number of children enrolled in early childhood education programs, birth through age five by 10% by the end of the project;*
- 2) *Increase the number of children entering Kindergarten and 1st Grade who possess the necessary social/emotional skills by 20% by the end of the project;*
- 3) *The number of youth who received school-based mental health services will increase by 30% from baseline to the end of the grant period;*
- 4) *The percentage of mental health service referrals for students which resulted in mental health services being provided in the community will increase by 10% by the end of grant period;*
- 5) *Decrease the number of office discipline referrals by 20%, suspensions and expulsions by 10%, and DCYF involvement by 5% by the end of the project.*
- 6) *The number of opportunities for caregivers/families to be involved in the school and community that support development and achievement will increase by 10% by the end of the grant project.*
- 7) *The number of families who feel positively engaged with their school will increase by 10% by the end of the project;*
- 8) *The percentage of students who report consumption/use of alcohol, marijuana, tobacco, chewing tobacco, or cigars on one or more occasions during the past 30 days; and/or use other drugs at some point in their lifetime will decrease by 10% by the end of the project;*
- 9) *The percentage of youth who report being in a physical fight on school property during the current year will decrease by 20% by the end of the project;*
- 10) *The percentage of youth who did not go to school on one or more days during the past 30 days because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to and from school will decrease by 10% by the end of the project;*
- 11) *The number of youth who feel positively engaged/connected to school will increase by 25% by the end of the project.*

Responsibilities:

We agree to support the Winnisquam Regional System of Care initiative in the following ways:

1. Attend monthly Community Management Team meetings.
2. Participate in at least one work group by attending the meetings and contributing individual expertise to the initiatives discussed during the meetings.
3. Work with the project director to collect data in support of the stated goals and objectives outlined in this MOU.

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Signature

Date

Name of Organization Represented