

# WELCOME TO THE CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVES DIRECTORY FOR WISCONSIN

A resource that outlines major programs, funding sources, coalitions, and associations dedicated to supporting children's mental health across the state. This table offers an inside look at where investments in children's mental health are being made and highlights opportunities for collaboration to strengthen and expand these efforts.

### HOW TO USE THIS DOCUMENT:

- **Identify Major Investments:** Explore current programs with substantial funding (\$100,000 or more) supported by public or philanthropic sources, and identify which agencies and organizations are driving these investments. Federal level dashboards that may also be useful:
  - [American Rescue Plan Act: Medicaid HCBS Grants Supporting Quality and Innovation | Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#) (ARPA)
  - [Grants Dashboard | SAMHSA](#)
- **Enhance Collaboration and Avoid Duplication:** Discover active initiatives and potential collaborators in your field, helping to streamline efforts and avoid redundancy.
- **Connect with Ongoing Efforts:** Review active coalitions and associations to identify networks and professional groups working toward similar goals to build on successes and create partnerships.

**FOR UPDATES OR ADDITIONS:** PLEASE CONTACT US AT [OCMH@DHS.WISCONSIN.GOV](mailto:OCMH@DHS.WISCONSIN.GOV) IF YOU SEE A NEED FOR UPDATES OR IF A NEW INITIATIVE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR INCLUSION.

## OVERVIEW

### SECTION 1 – STATE AGENCIES AND ENTITIES

#### DESCRIPTION

This section highlights Wisconsin state agency funding initiatives.

Initiatives that met criteria for inclusion are those that have current or ongoing funding specific to children’s mental health and/or their families with funding either awarded by the federal government or included as part of the state budget. Each entry includes detailed information about the agency division responsible for the initiative, funding amount, and implementation sites, giving users a comprehensive look at current state investments in mental health.

Relevant state agencies and other required statewide entities are included.

#### PURPOSE

This section helps organizations track down complex funding sources, identify potential funding leads, and avoid duplicating existing efforts. For those interested in launching similar programs, this information can support best practices and identify valuable connections with existing initiatives.

SECTION 2 – COALITIONS, COUNCILS, & CROSS-AGENCY COLLABORATIONS

DESCRIPTION

This section lists advisory councils, coalitions, and inter-agency collaborations actively working to improve systems of children’s mental health across Wisconsin. These entities contribute essential insights to the Governor, legislators, and department leaders about systems of children’s mental health and welfare, special education, or disability per state law.

PURPOSE

This section provides users with a network of resources and insights to guide policy decisions, improve mental health systems, and establish new channels of collaboration by connecting cross-agency experts.

SECTION 3 – ASSOCIATIONS

DESCRIPTION

This alphabetical listing includes Wisconsin-based associations recognized for their role in supporting children’s mental health. Associations featured are those with a Wisconsin chapter, are targeted child-serving agencies and individual professionals, are recognized by the Department of Children and Families’ YoungStar program, or require or advise membership.

PURPOSE

This section allows users to connect with WI professional groups, identify potential funding and partnership opportunities, and learn about resources available for mental health initiatives.

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Programs, Initiatives, & Resources	Division	Funding	Description	Implementation Sites	Further Information
Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF)					
Family Foundations Home Visiting Program	Division of Safety and Permanence	Funding: \$3,900,000 Years: 2021-23 (TANF and GPR) and \$8,587,993 (MIECHV FFY21)	Home visiting programs are for pregnant women and families with a child under age 5. Generally, home visitors are nurses, social workers, or other human service professionals. The family and home visitor build a strong working relationship, and work together to meet the family’s goals related to child and family well-being.	Home Visiting Directory available from Supporting Families Together Association <a href="https://supportingfamielstogether.org/families/support-your-family/#CCRR">https://supportingfamielstogether.org/families/support-your-family/#CCRR</a>	<a href="https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/cwportal/homevisiting">https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/cwportal/homevisiting</a> dcfhomevisiting@wisconsin.gov
Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee	Division of Family and Economic Security	Funding: \$2,807,000 Years: 2023-2025	Funds programs that improve social, academic, and employment skills of youth. focusing on study habits, intensive tutoring in math and English and exposure to career options and role models. \$1,275,000 annually supports the Wisconsin After 3 program, which provides structured afterschool programming to youth five days a week focused on improving fluency in reading and math and career preparation for low-income youth throughout the state. \$1,532,000 also provided annually for the Be Great.	<a href="https://www.bgcmilwaukee.org/">https://www.bgcmilwaukee.org/</a>	<a href="https://www.bgcmilwaukee.org/Contact-Us-Boys-&amp;Girls-Clubs-of-America">https://www.bgcmilwaukee.org/Contact Us - Boys &amp; Girls Clubs of America</a>
Early Childhood Educator Employee Assistance Program		This program is still operating but DCF funding ended.	Wisconsin Early Childhood Association - This initiative will make available EAP services to the ECE workforce that will connect them to a wide range of local public services to help reduce stress in their personal lives and offer resources to support their families, ensuring that their full focus can be on the children and families they serve when they are at work.	Statewide	<a href="mailto:EAPWEESSN@wisconsinearlychildhood.org">EAPWEESSN@wisconsinearlychildhood.org</a>
Trauma informed care training for school-age care professionals		Funding (ARPA): \$480,000	Wisconsin Afterschool Network - This project aims to increase the number of trauma informed care trainings available to the school-age care professionals working with school-age children statewide.	Statewide	<a href="mailto:communityhealth@marshfieldclinic.org">communityhealth@marshfieldclinic.org</a>

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Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS)					
Children’s Long Term Support Waiver Program	Division of Medicaid Services		The CLTS Program supports children with disabilities through child-centered supports and services that help children thrive. CLTS is a home and community-based service waiver that aims to keep kids at home. Holistic approach with a focus on family needs is used. Renewed from 2022-2027.	Statewide	<a href="#">Children’s Long-Term Support Program   Wisconsin Department of Health Services</a> <a href="mailto:dcfweb@wisconsin.gov">dcfweb@wisconsin.gov</a>
Birth to Three	Division of Medicaid Services		Federally mandated program for children ages birth to 3 years old. Eligibility is based on a diagnosed disability or significant developmental delays.	Statewide	<a href="mailto:info@wiimh.org">info@wiimh.org</a>
Children’s Community Options Program (CCOP)	Division of Medicaid Services		CCOP provides supports and services to children (under age 22) living at home or in the community with one or more long-term disabilities. Aim is to provide coordinated approach and to maximize a family’s resiliency and abilities.	Statewide	DHS supports the program at the state level, working with county agencies in all 72 counties. State teams help provide information and support to families, county programs, and community partners. Contact the Bureau of Children's Services (BCS) Technical Assistance Center in DHS at <a href="mailto:DHSBCSTAC@dhs.wisconsin.gov">DHSBCSTAC@dhs.wisconsin.gov</a>
Wisconsin Child Psychiatry Consultation Program (CPCP)	Maternal and Child Health	Funding: State GPR Amount: \$2,000,000 Years: 2022-2023  Funding: Federal HRSA Grant Pediatric Mental Healthcare Access Amount: \$345,000 Year 5	The Wisconsin Child Psychiatry Consultation Program (CPCP) goal is to improve mental health care for children by providing primary care doctors consultative support from child psychiatrists, child psychologists, and social workers.	Statewide  Counties are served in 1 of 5 regions	<a href="https://wicpcp.org/">https://wicpcp.org/</a>  <a href="mailto:wicpcp@mcw.edu">wicpcp@mcw.edu</a>

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<b>Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)</b>	Division of Public Health Adolescent Health Division	Funding: US Dept. of HHS/Family and Youth Services Bureau Amount: \$862,262 Years: 2010-ongoing	The PREP Program reaches high school aged youth with evidence-based comprehensive health curricula. PREP utilizes a Positive Youth Development Framework and young people who participate in PREP learn about, healthy relationships, how to take care of their health, and healthy life skills such as goal setting, decision making, negotiation, communication and interpersonal skills, and stress management.	PREP Counties: Rock, Buffalo, Trempealeau, Milwaukee, Adams, Forest, Langlade, Marinette, and Shawano.	<a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/mch/adolescent-health-programs.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/mch/adolescent-health-programs.htm</a>
<b>Sexual Risk Avoidance Educational Grant: Project WISE— Wisconsin Initiative for Student Empowerment</b>	Division of Public Health Adolescent Health Division	Funding: US Dept. of HHS/Family and Youth Services Bureau Amount: \$811, 647 Years: 2018-ongoing	Project WISE sites implement Wyman's social-emotional learning program, the Teen Outreach Program® (TOP®). TOP promotes the positive development of adolescents through curriculum-guided, interactive group discussions; positive adult guidance and support; and community service learning.	WISE Counties: Sawyer, Iron, Milwaukee, Adams	<a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/mch/adolescent-health-programs.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/mch/adolescent-health-programs.htm</a>  <a href="#">Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (SRAE) Grantees FY2020 &amp; FY2021   The Administration for Children and Families Advancing Equity in Maternal and Child Health Grant Program   Wisconsin Department of Health Services</a>
<b>Providers and Teens Communicating for Health (PATCH)</b>	Division of Public Health Adolescent Health Division	Funding: Adolescent Health Team grants, Title V MCH Block Grant Amount: \$200,000 Years: 2018 - ongoing	PATCH is a teen-delivered program that targets barriers that interfere with the ability of health care providers and teens to communicate effectively with one another about sensitive health topics. A youth-driven program that works to elevate youth voice and improve adolescent health care	Statewide and teams in La Crosse, Wausau, Dane, Milwaukee, Green Bay	<a href="https://patchprogram.org/">https://patchprogram.org/</a>
<b>Coordinated Service Teams (CST)</b>	Division of Care and Treatment Services	Funding: CHMBG, SAPTBG, Program Revenue and GPR Amount: \$4,800,000 Years: 2018-2019	CST supports the emotional, physical, and social well-being of children with complex behavioral health needs. For children who are involved in two or more systems of care such as mental health, substance abuse, child welfare, youth justice, special education or developmental disabilities. Based on principles of wraparound care, the collaborative approach includes family and service providers, and is community-based.	66 counties 11 tribes	<a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/cst/index.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/cst/index.htm</a>

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Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI)					
Federal School-Based Mental Health Professionals (SBMHP) Grant Program	Division for Learning Support	Funding: U.S. Department of Education Amount: \$10,000,000 (\$2,000,000/year) Years: 2021-2026	Competitive grant to DPI (one of six states) to increase the recruitment, retention, and diversity of school-based mental health professionals (school counselors, school psychologists, and school social workers) in school districts with demonstrated need. Expansion of University of Wisconsin SBMHP master’s and post-master’s programming with a focus on online and hybrid learning options to increase access for candidates across the state. Sub-granting Local Education Agencies (LEAs) were selected based on demonstrated need such as history of unfilled positions, high attrition, high student to SBMHP ratios, high percentage of indigenous enrollment and were ranked by size to ensure representation of LEAs from rural, medium sized and urban communities.	Sites are UW School Based Mental Health Professionals Programs and selected LEAs	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/school-based-mental-health-professionals-federal-grant-program">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/school-based-mental-health-professionals-federal-grant-program</a>
2024 Federal School-Based Mental Health Professionals (SBMHP) Grant Program	Division of Learning Support	Funding: U.S. Department of Education Amount: \$10,000,000 (\$2,000,000/year) Years: 2024-2029	Competitive grant to DPI for the expansion of successful 2020 grant efforts to increase the recruitment, retention and diversification of school counselors, school psychologists and school social workers. This will be achieved through a multi-faceted approach. This includes extending online certification pathways beginning in high school through post-graduate programming. Developing a “Grow Your Own” process to attract diverse school based mental health professional (SBMHP) candidates. And expanding service delivery models, such as teleservice to increase student access to SBMHP.	Sites will include Institutes of Higher Education (associate degree through post-master’s SBMHP programs), and selected LEAs.	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/school-based-mental-health-professionals-federal-grant-program">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/school-based-mental-health-professionals-federal-grant-program</a>

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<b>State School Based Mental Health (SBMH) Services Funding</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: State Amount: \$25,000,000/year Years: 2023-2025	School districts and independent charter schools use DPI funding for the purpose of providing mental health services to pupils in collaboration with community health agencies. Funds are used for allowable activities aimed at building, improving, and sustaining Comprehensive School Mental Health Systems. The grant program is designed to address systemic challenges that schools encounter in supporting student and staff well-being by providing funds to build a proactive system that serves all students.	All public school districts and Independent Charter Schools in the state.	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/school-based-grant-program">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/school-based-grant-program</a>
<b>Aid for School Mental Health</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: State Amount: \$12,000,000/year Years: 2023-2025	Provides partial reimbursement for salary and fringe benefits paid to employ, hire, or retain credentialed social workers or the costs to contract for the services of a social worker when the eligible entity increased in its expenditures in the prior school year.	For a list of schools who received funding: <a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/aid-school-mental-health-programs">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/aid-school-mental-health-programs</a>	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/aid-school-mental-health-programs">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/aid-school-mental-health-programs</a>
<b>2019 Project AWARE (Advancing Wellness and Resiliency in Education)</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: Federal SAMHSA Amount: \$1,800,000/year Years: 2019-2024	This project, which formally concluded on June 28, 2024, focused on increasing awareness of mental health issues among school-aged youth, training staff to detect and respond to mental health issues, connecting school-aged youth who may have behavioral health issues and their families to needed services. This was achieved by focusing on partnerships and collaboration between state and local systems to promote the healthy development of school-aged youth and to prevent youth violence.	La Crosse, Chippewa Falls, and the Lakeland Area Consortium	Project ended in 2024 – webpage not available.



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<b>2023 Project AWARE (Advancing Wellness and Resiliency in Education)</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: Federal SAMHSA Amount: \$1,800,000/year Years: 2023-2028	One arm of this project provides targeted support to two LEAs through funding, staffing, and coaching focused on strengthening their comprehensive school mental health (CSMH) systems, with an emphasis on improving community partnerships. Efforts include increasing mental health literacy for students, staff, and community members, and expanding suicide prevention efforts across both districts. The other arm of this project is focused on building regional capacity in the 12 Cooperative Educational Services Agencies (CESAs) to support LEAs in building CSMH systems. This arm of the project will continue to increase access to exposure trainings for the field in key topics including mental health literacy, WI School Mental Health Framework, Roadmap for School Mental Health Improvement, and other topics such as trauma sensitive schools and suicide prevention. This has also equipped each of the 12 CESAs with the knowledge, skills, and resources to provide high quality coaching and technical assistance directly to LEAs (at least 3 LEAs per region per year), drastically spreading access to these important services across WI.	Focus LEAs: Crandon and Wabeno.  Focus regional: 12 CESAs	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/project-aware">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/project-aware</a>
<b>Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (AODA) Grant Program</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: State Amount: \$907,978/year Years: 2023-2025	Competitive funds to support education, prevention, and intervention programs targeting alcohol and other drug abuse as well as other youth risk behaviors such as tobacco, traffic safety, violence and suicide.	Statewide	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/aoda">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/aoda</a>
<b>Opioid Prevention Grant</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: Opioid Settlement Funds Amount: \$250,000 Years: 2023-2024 Amount: \$1,000,000 Years: 2024-2025	Competitive funds to support new or existing substance use prevention programs that are supplemented with knowledge and skills specific to opioid prevention and unintentional fentanyl exposure.	Statewide	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/aoda/opioidpreventiongrant">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/aoda/opioidpreventiongrant</a>

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<b>Mental Health Training</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: State Amount: \$420,000/year Years: 2023-2025	Funding is used to support statewide mental health training for schools. Training and technical assistance is made available in <a href="#">Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA)</a> , <a href="#">Trauma Sensitive Schools (TSS)</a> , and <a href="#">Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)</a> .	Statewide	
<b>Peer-to-Peer Suicide Prevention Grant</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: State Amount: \$250,000 Years: 2023-2025	This competitive grant program has been established for peer-to-peer suicide prevention programs for all tribal, public and private Wisconsin high schools. With a focus on training Wisconsin students to recognize the signs of suicide shown by fellow students, peer-to-peer programs use messages of hope, health, and strength to develop peer leaders and resources for students who may be struggling. Up to 250 grants for up to \$1,000 per grant.	Statewide	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/youth-suicide-prevention/student-programs/peer-to-peer-suicide-prevention-grants">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/youth-suicide-prevention/student-programs/peer-to-peer-suicide-prevention-grants</a>
<b>Student Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (AODA) Mini-grant Program</b>	Division for Learning Support	Funding: State Amount: \$43,000 Years: 2023-2025	Funds are available on a competitive basis for schools throughout the state to support education, prevention, and intervention programs designed by the students, targeting alcohol and other drug abuse (AODA) and other youth risk behaviors such as tobacco, traffic safety, violence, suicide, etc. A priority for these programs includes involvement of youth in the planning and implementation of the project. Funds dispersed across student groups, up to \$1,000 each.	Statewide	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/aoda/mini-grant">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/aoda/mini-grant</a>

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Other Required Statewide Entities					
<b>Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment</b>	Medical College of Wisconsin	Funding: BCBS conversion funds, endowed in 2004	Driven by a vision for a healthier Wisconsin, AHW reaches statewide, propelling the most promising work and ideas to build a healthier WI for generations. AHW advances research that improves lives. We help educate future health leaders. We help partners create real change, leading to better policies, systems, and programs so we can all enjoy better health.	Statewide	<a href="https://info.ahwendowment.org/wisconsin-grants-to-improve-health">https://info.ahwendowment.org/wisconsin-grants-to-improve-health</a>
<b>Office of School Safety</b>	Department of Justice		The Office of School Safety (OSS), within the Department of Justice, works to promote evidence-informed school safety model practices for all Wisconsin schools. OSS provides technical assistance, consultation, training and guidance to prevent, mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from violence at a local level. OSS initiatives include a statewide tipline (SUSO) to report concerns about school-aged youth, creating intervention opportunities locally; behavioral threat assessment and management tools, training and consultation; crisis response and recovery support when schools experience a traumatic event; school safety grants; and support to schools in meeting the Wis. Stat. § 118.07 health and safety requirements for schools, advocating a trauma-informed approach to school safety drills and practices.	Statewide	<a href="https://speakup.widoj.gov/">https://speakup.widoj.gov/</a> <a href="https://www.doj.state.wi.us/office-school-safety/office-school-safety">https://www.doj.state.wi.us/office-school-safety/office-school-safety</a>
<b>Wisconsin Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board</b>		Funding: State Amount: \$4,000,000 Years: 2023-2025	The Wisconsin Legislature created the board as a public private partnership in 1983. The Prevention Board promotes and supports community-based, family centered strategies to prevent child abuse and neglect while strengthening family protective factors. A policymaking board, it is attached to the Department of Children and Families solely for administrative purposes.	Statewide	<a href="https://preventionboard.wi.gov/pages/homepage.aspx">https://preventionboard.wi.gov/pages/homepage.aspx</a>

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<b>Wisconsin Legislative Children's Caucus</b>	State Assembly State Senate		The purpose of the caucus is to cultivate a legislature dedicated to advancing promising, evidence informed public policy that improves the life of every Wisconsin child, from the prenatal stages through age 18. Co-chaired by Representative Jill Billings, Representative Patrick Snyder, Senator Jesse James, and Senator LaTonya Johnson.	Statewide	
<b>Wisconsin Partnership Program</b>	University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health	Funding: BCBS conversion funds, endowed in 2004	The WPP is a grantmaking program within the UW School of Medicine and Public Health established as the result of the endowment gift from Blue Cross Blue Shield United of Wisconsin. WPP is committed to improving health and advancing health equity through investments in community partnerships, education, and research. WPP has awarded more than 600 grants that propel medical research, enhance health education and workforce development, support community health partnerships, and advance health equity.	Statewide	<a href="https://www.med.wisc.edu/wisconsin-partnership-program/">https://www.med.wisc.edu/wisconsin-partnership-program/</a>

SECTION 2 – COALITIONS, COUNCILS, & CROSS-AGENCY COLLABORATIONS

Councils, Collaborations, and Initiatives	Lead Agency	Description	Other State Agencies Involved	Further Information
Governor's Early Childhood Advisory Council	DCF	The Governor's Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) was formed as a result of the Head Start Reauthorization Act of 2007. This Council builds upon the work of the Wisconsin Early Childhood Collaborating Partners (WECCP), the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board, and the Governor's Birth to Three Interagency Coordinating Council. <a href="https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/files/ecac/pdf/ecac-membershiplist-2020.pdf">https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/files/ecac/pdf/ecac-membershiplist-2020.pdf</a>	DHS	<a href="https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/ecac">https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/ecac</a>
Leadership Council on Early Years	DCF	The Leadership Council on Early Years works together to harness collective strengths and resources; make strategic connections; streamline programs and services; and align best practices. They provide direction for implementing systems changes at the state level that can have a lasting benefit for children and families. Further, they collaborate to improve the well-being, healthy development, and kindergarten readiness outcomes among all children ages birth through 5 (B-5). They contribute to an <a href="#">equitable B-5 early childhood state system</a> that meets the needs of families and prepares all Wisconsin children to succeed and thrive.	Agency member list can be found on website	<a href="https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/lcey">https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/lcey</a>
Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership Council	DCF	Formulate policies, plans, evaluation, and funding priorities for operating and improving the child welfare system in Milwaukee County. As the federally required Citizen Review Panels for Child Protective Services in Milwaukee County, this Council evaluates the Milwaukee County local and state child protection systems. It submits an annual report to the federal children's bureau each year that outlines the panel's activities and make recommendations to the state child protective system to strengthen its services. <a href="https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/files/mcps/partnership/2019pc/pcmembership-sept-2019.pdf">https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/files/mcps/partnership/2019pc/pcmembership-sept-2019.pdf</a> .	DOA	<a href="https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/mcps/partnership-council">https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/mcps/partnership-council</a>
Governor's Juvenile Justice Commission	DOJ	The Commission serves as the primary body responsible for implementing the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act in Wisconsin. <a href="https://wislawjournal.com/2019/09/04/members-named-for-recreated-juvenile-justice-commission/">https://wislawjournal.com/2019/09/04/members-named-for-recreated-juvenile-justice-commission/</a>	DOJ	<a href="https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/executive_orders/2019_tony_evers/2019-43.pdf">https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/executive_orders/2019_tony_evers/2019-43.pdf</a>

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<b>Birth to Three Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC)</b>	Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI)	Convenes to advise, review, analyze, and monitor the implementation of the State's Early Intervention (EI) system, maintain a forum for communication relative to early intervention and make recommendations to DHS regarding effective implementation of an EI system. <a href="https://b3icc.wisconsin.gov/members.htm">https://b3icc.wisconsin.gov/members.htm</a>	DPI, DCF, DHS (Divisions: DPH, DMS, DCTS)	<a href="https://b3icc.wisconsin.gov/index.htm">https://b3icc.wisconsin.gov/index.htm</a>
<b>Children Come First Advisory Committee (CCF)</b>	DHS (DMS)	The CCF Advisory Committee is established by state statute to support the development of a comprehensive service system of coordinated care for children who are involved in 2 or more systems of care. Contact: <a href="mailto:joanette.robertson@wisconsin.gov">joanette.robertson@wisconsin.gov</a>		<a href="https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/ccf.htm">https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/ccf.htm</a>
<b>Children's Long Term Support Council</b>	DHS	Provides recommendations to the Secretary regarding the needed infrastructures, accountability measures and mechanisms, financing systems, training programs, program design elements, efficiencies and statewide equity and consistency necessary to implement service delivery systems in communities throughout the State. <a href="https://cltscouncil.wisconsin.gov/membership-roster.htm">https://cltscouncil.wisconsin.gov/membership-roster.htm</a>	DCF	<a href="https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/cltscouncil/index.htm">https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/cltscouncil/index.htm</a>
<b>Council on Mental Health and/or committees of this Council</b>	DHS	The council advises the Governor, legislature, and DHS on allocation of mental health block grants & reviews the mental health system's progress towards achieving improved client outcomes and the adequacy of mental health services in Wisconsin. <a href="https://mhc.wisconsin.gov/mhcfiles/docs/contact/WCMHMembershipDec19.pdf">https://mhc.wisconsin.gov/mhcfiles/docs/contact/WCMHMembershipDec19.pdf</a>	DOC, DVR	<a href="https://mhc.wisconsin.gov/membership.htm">https://mhc.wisconsin.gov/membership.htm</a>
<b>Governor's Council on Autism</b>	DHS (DMS)	The Governor's Autism Council advises the Wisconsin Department of Health Services on strategies for implementing statewide supports and services for children with autism. <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/autismcouncil/index.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/autismcouncil/index.htm</a>	DCF	<a href="https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/autismcouncil/index.htm">https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/autismcouncil/index.htm</a>
<b>Aligning for Adolescent Health Youth Leadership Team</b>	DHS and PATCH	PATCH (Providers and Teens Communicating for Health) team convenes to ensure a coordinated system of support guided by a shared vision to ensure optimal adolescent health and development. Contact: <a href="mailto:amy@patchprogram.org">amy@patchprogram.org</a>	UW, OCMH, DHS, DPI	

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Councils, Collaborations, and Initiatives	Lead Agency	Description	Other State Agencies Involved	Further Information
<b>State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse and/or the Children, Youth and Family subcommittee</b>	DHS	This Council reviews legislation, develop comprehensive state plan for Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse (AODA) programs, coordinate efforts & expenditures to prevent/control AODA, evaluate and analyze "select" AODA programs each biennium. <a href="https://scaoda.wisconsin.gov/councilmembership.htm">https://scaoda.wisconsin.gov/councilmembership.htm</a>	DPI, DOC, DOT	<a href="https://scaoda.wisconsin.gov/">https://scaoda.wisconsin.gov/</a>
<b>Children's Community Options Program Committee</b>	DHS (DMS)	This committee looks at all services and supports to children with disabilities to identify gaps and needs and explore how these needs might be met through the public or private sector and existing community resources or parent-to-parent activities. The committee may be involved in activities to increase and improve access to community-based activities, resources, programs and services. Contact individual County Human Services Departments and see the CCOP contacts listed under the Family Support Program website ( <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/clts/contact.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/clts/contact.htm</a> )		<a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/ccop/index.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/ccop/index.htm</a>
<b>Wisconsin Early Childhood Collaborating Partners</b>	DPI, DCF, DHS	Focuses on collaboration among diverse early childhood partners and exists now as a 'braided' funding effort among three state agencies. <a href="http://www.collaboratingpartners.com/wpcontent/uploads/2020/01/WEC CP-Team-Members.pdf">http://www.collaboratingpartners.com/wpcontent/uploads/2020/01/WEC CP-Team-Members.pdf</a>	Equal participation among 3 lead agencies	<a href="http://www.collaboratingpartners.com/about/">http://www.collaboratingpartners.com/about/</a>
<b>Council on Special Education</b>	DPI	The Council on Special Education is appointed by the state superintendent to advise the Department of Public Instruction and its Division for Learning Support (DLS) in matters related to the education of all children with disabilities in Wisconsin.	DCF, DWD, DOC, DHS	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sped/council">https://dpi.wi.gov/sped/council</a>
<b>Education Research Advisory Council</b>	DPI	This Council establishes a statewide research agenda for important PK-20 educational issues; fosters collaboration among stakeholders involved in research; and aids the broad dissemination of research results.		<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/policy-budget/research/wisconsin-education-research-advisory-council-werac">https://dpi.wi.gov/policy-budget/research/wisconsin-education-research-advisory-council-werac</a>

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<b>Disability Rights Wisconsin</b>	DRW	Designated by the Governor to ensure the rights of all state citizens with disabilities through individual advocacy and system change, DRW is part of a national system of federally mandated independent disability agencies. DRW is Wisconsin's federally required Protection & Advocacy organization. <a href="https://www.disabilityrightswi.org/about/staff-directory/">https://www.disabilityrightswi.org/about/staff-directory/</a>	<a href="https://www.disabilityrightswi.org/about/partners/">https://www.disabilityrightswi.org/about/partners/</a>
<b>Coalition for Expanding School-Based Mental Health</b>	WAFCA	The Coalition for Expanding School-Based Mental Health engages in many activities to advocate and advance expanded comprehensive mental health initiatives in schools around the state. The Coalition is supported in part through a grant provided by the Office of Children's Mental Health <a href="https://www.schoolmentalhealthwisconsin.org/about-us/">https://www.schoolmentalhealthwisconsin.org/about-us/</a>	DPI, OCMH
<b>Children's Mental Health Network</b> (formerly the Collective Impact Council)	OCMH	OCMH's Children's Mental Health Network is a large and broad group of children's mental health advocates who want to be aware of, and engaged with, children's mental health initiatives and activities across the state. The group holds quarterly virtual meeting on children's mental health topics of interest and provides opportunities to learn and network while encouraging attendees to take learned information back to their organizations. <a href="https://children.wi.gov/Pages/CollectiveImpactTeams/CICouncil.aspx">https://children.wi.gov/Pages/CollectiveImpactTeams/CICouncil.aspx</a>	DHS, DCF, DPI, DOJ, DWD, DOC
<b>OCMH Advisory Council</b>	OCMH	OCMH's Advisory Council supports OCMH by advising on OCMH's strategic direction, and focusing on cross-systems collaboration to improve Wisconsin children's mental health systems and outcomes. <a href="https://children.wi.gov/Pages/CollectiveImpactTeams/AdvisoryCouncil.aspx">https://children.wi.gov/Pages/CollectiveImpactTeams/AdvisoryCouncil.aspx</a>	DHS, DCF, DPI, DOJ, DOC



SECTION 3 – ASSOCIATIONS

Associations & Support Networks	Members	Description	Funding & Opportunities	Further Information
<b>Wisconsin Alliance for Infant Mental Health (WI-AIMH)</b>	All professionals who work with or on behalf of infants, young children, and their families. <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	WI-AIMH strives to promote infant mental health through building awareness, promoting professional capacity, fostering partnerships and supporting policies which are in the best interest of infants, young children and their families.	Micro-learning <a href="#">videos</a> (90 seconds) for parents and caregivers on core concepts and strategies to support healthy relationships.  Resources for <a href="#">clinicians</a> who work with children five and under and their families.	<a href="https://wiaimh.org/">https://wiaimh.org/</a>
<b>Wisconsin Association of Family and Children’s Agencies (WAFCA)</b>	WAFCA member agencies are private for profit and nonprofit human services agencies providing support and services to individuals under contract with public sector partners <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	WAFCA promotes public policy, best practices and partnerships that support our member agencies in pursuing their mission to improve the lives of children and families.		<a href="https://www.wafca.org/">https://www.wafca.org/</a>
<b>Wisconsin Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics</b>	WIAAP counts over 800 primary and subspecialty care clinicians, including pediatricians, family physicians, allied health providers, residents, and medical students as members. <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	WIAAP strives to assure optimal health and well-being for all of Wisconsin’s children and their families, and provide support and education to its members, enabling them to be the most effective providers of health care to children.	Annually, the chapter hosts an Advocacy Day in Madison for educational support and training and legislative visits, as well as an annual Open Forum on a variety of topics.	<a href="https://www.wiaap.org/">https://www.wiaap.org/</a>

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<b>Wisconsin Child Care Administrators Association (WCCAA)</b>	Child Care Administrators <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	Committed to the promotion of excellence in childcare administration. WCCAA supports its members through advocacy at the local, regional, state, and national levels by providing quality training and hosting an annual statewide conference.		<a href="https://www.wccaa.org/about/wccaa-mission/">https://www.wccaa.org/about/wccaa-mission/</a>
<b>Wisconsin Council of Administrators of Special Services</b>	More than 400 Special Education and Pupil Services administrators who ensure the learning and social-emotional needs of students are met. <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	WCASS is the statewide professional association devoted to students and student services leaders through professional learning, policy and legislative advocacy, and professional networking. WCASS' responsibility is to ensure that members have access to professional learning focused on best practices for the field, resources and support to ensure use of these practices in their districts, and a voice representing their interests with those whose professions have direct impact for our work.		<a href="https://www.wcass.org/">https://www.wcass.org/</a>
<b>Wisconsin Council of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry</b>	Child and Adolescent Psychiatrists including residents and students. <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	Promotes mentally healthy children, adolescents, and families in Wisconsin through research, training, advocacy, prevention, comprehensive diagnosis and treatment, peer support, and collaboration.		<a href="https://www.wisccap.org/">https://www.wisccap.org/</a>
<b>Wisconsin Court Appointed Special Advocates Association (CASA)</b>	CASAs are appointed by a Judge to advocate for the child's best interests. Citizen volunteers conduct services.	Each CASA volunteer conducts regular, face-to-face visits with their assigned child (or children) and makes independent, objective observations about how each child is coping, growing, interacting with others and responding to services and the environment. Additionally, CASA volunteers have proactive contact with children's parents and primary caregivers, siblings, extended family members and foster parents.		<a href="https://wisconsin-casa.org/">https://wisconsin-casa.org/</a>
<b>Wisconsin Early Childhood Association</b>	All who support investment in early childhood education. <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	Advocate for quality early childhood programs for children and for just compensation for the early childhood workforce.		<a href="https://wisconsinearlychildhood.org/contact-us/">https://wisconsinearlychildhood.org/contact-us/</a>

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<b>Wisconsin Family Child Care Association</b>	Family child care providers <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	Provides accreditation and advocacy to family childcare providers		<a href="https://wisconsinfamilychildcare.org/about.shtml">https://wisconsinfamilychildcare.org/about.shtml</a>
<b>Wisconsin Head Start Association</b>	38 federal grant recipients providing Head Start and Early Head Start services to families throughout Wisconsin. Includes Directors, staff and parents of Head Start. <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	Wisconsin Head Start Association (WHSA) provides a network of support to member organizations including providing training events and workforce support, leadership development, representation on statewide collaborative projects, managing State Supplemental Head Start Grants, advocacy work to assure the availability of comprehensive, top quality services to families in poverty.		<a href="https://whsaonline.org/">https://whsaonline.org/</a>
<b>National Association of Social Workers, Wisconsin Chapter</b>	Students and practicing Social Workers <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	The National Association of Social Workers (NASW) is the largest membership organization of professional social workers in the world. NASW works to enhance the professional growth and development of its members, to create and maintain professional standards, and to advance sound social policies. NASW-WI fosters community by advancing the profession through education, ethics, professional standards, and advocacy to serve diverse populations.		<a href="https://naswwi.socialworkers.org/">https://naswwi.socialworkers.org/</a>
<b>Wisconsin School Counselor Association (WSCA)</b>	WSCA's membership of 1200+ represents well over 50% of the professional school counselors in Wisconsin. <a href="#">Membership Information</a>	Focuses on providing quality professional development opportunities, supporting comprehensive school counseling programs, and giving one voice to professional school counselors, WSCA is dedicated to empowering school counselors throughout the state.		<a href="https://www.wscaweb.org/">https://www.wscaweb.org/</a>
<b>Thriving Wisconsin</b> (formerly operating as Supporting Families Together Association)	Membership consists of Wisconsin's Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies (CCR&Rs) and Family Resource Centers (FRCs).	As a statewide organization, Thriving Wisconsin strengthens systems so children can thrive. This is achieved by positively impacting the world of early childhood and family support to ensure that effective programming is available statewide, resources are strategically leveraged and maximized, and meaningful connections, relationships and systems are built.		<a href="https://thrivingwisconsin.org">https://thrivingwisconsin.org</a> <a href="https://supportingfamilies.together.org/">https://supportingfamilies.together.org/</a>