A Strategic Plan for School-Based Health Centers

Advancing the Health and Well-Being of Delaware Students

School-Based Health Centers (SBHCs) provide school-aged youth with comprehensive physical, behavioral, and preventive personcentered care, delivered by qualified medical and behavioral health providers in school settings. In 2020, a steering committee initiated a 12-month process that included literature reviews, workgroups, key informant interviews, focus groups, surveys, and extensive community and stakeholder engagement, to develop a strategic plan for the future.



strategic goals were established in 2021.

1980:

The first School-Based Health Centers were established in Delaware.

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School-Based Health Centers in Delaware today.

2020:

Delaware legislature funded expansion in high-need elementary schools.

13 Strategic Goals for the School-Based Health Centers



Create an advisory body to oversee the Delaware SBHC strategic plan and make recommendations.





Encourage new sites where the need is greatest.

Allow siblings to enroll.



Encourage a hub-and-spoke model to deliver care.



Develop data collection and analysis infrastructure.



Establish a base service menu model.



Ensure approaches to care are aligned and comprehensive across all SBHC sites.



Ensure continuum of care through collaboration with primary care and other community providers.



Ensure telehealth services continue.



Increase funding to cover the cost of nonbillable services.





Increase efficiencies to allow SBHCs to be credentialed as an approved service provider to seek third-party reimbursement.



Explore creative solutions with commercial payers.



Maximize third-party billing.

