

SC AAP Mental Health Taskforce Update

*Summary of new mental health efforts
in South Carolina*

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Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this presentation, learners will be able to:

1. Become aware of new efforts within the SC AAP community to address the mental health crisis among children and adolescents
1. Discuss opportunities to increase capacity and collaboration to improve prevention and treatment of mental health among children and adolescents

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SC AAP Mental Health Taskforce 2022

- Members
 - Ram Jayagopalan, MD
 - Martha Edwards, MD
 - Beth Morphis, MD
 - Dane Pierce, MD
 - Janice Key, MD
- Media Events (TV and print) during May 2023 (Mental Health Awareness Month)
- Joined SC Suicide Prevention Coalition
- Working with SC DMH to develop a Part 4 MOC portfolio around mental health

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AAP Suicide Prevention Ambassador Program

- AAP 2023 Blueprint for Suicide Prevention
- One year program including ECHO & resources (emails, office hours, collaboration site)
- Cohorts from about 25 states / territories
- Each state cohort includes 2 pediatricians and 2 representatives from American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
 - Martha Edwards, MD
 - Janice Key, MD
 - Kate Brunnelson, AFSP
 - John Tjaarda, AFSP SC Area Director
- Each state submits an Action Plan to be funded through \$5,000 grant to SC AAP
- Draft SC Action Plan
 1. Share AAP Blueprint for Youth Suicide Prevention with pediatric health clinicians and encourage engagement with schools and / or community organizations using these resources
 2. Encourage community engagement by providing SC AAP members with grants to support events that include community organizations, schools, clinicians, and families in order to fostering personal relationships that will increase collaboration and help providers gain confidence in caring for families facing mental health challenges
 3. Initiate a new cross-sectoral partnership focused on safe storage of firearms specifically targeting unlikely allies and using programing previously used by the SC AAP Chapter

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SC DMH Youth Access to Psychiatry Program

Provider-to-provider free psychiatric consultation line
Behavioral Health resources
(877-SC-YAPPY; 877-729-2779)



Step 1

Your practice connects by calling 877-SC-YAPPY (1-877-729-2779).



Step 2

Your practice completes a brief enrollment form.



Step 3

Upon enrollment, you'll receive partnership and participation packages with login information, resources and program materials.



Why Join?

Partners gain access to behavioral health consultations, mental health resources, referrals, training and professional development.

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Youth Behavioral Health ECHO (sponsored by MUSC BCCW and YAP-P)

Date and Time	Topic	Presenters
January 3 rd at 12:30	Finding the kids who need help: mental health screening in clinical practice and in schools	Dr. Janice Key
January 17 th at 12:30	What to do with a positive screen or behavior/mental health complaint in clinical practice	Dr. Abe Moskow
February 7 th at 12:30	What you should know about positive screen or behavioral referral in schools: Resources and use of the MTSS Framework	Erin Scherder, Ed.D
February 21 st at 12:30	Resiliency Factors: Protecting kids from mental health problems at home and at school	Meg Wallace
March 6 th at 12:30	Review of the complicated “Alphabet Soup” of school supports for students with behavioral/mental health needs: IEP, 504, FBA, BIP, MTSS, PBIS, RTI	Kathleen Beebe
March 20 th at 12:30	Overview of the common mental health disorders in children and adolescents: Focus on ADHD & Anxiety/Depression	Dr. Claire MacGeorge
April 3 rd at 12:30	Medication management for common mental health disorders in children and adolescents	Michael Sierra
April 17 th at 12:30	School services and accommodations for the common mental health disorders in children and adolescents: screenings, evaluations, interventions, accommodations, administration of medications, and specific support plans	Lisa Allison
May 1 st at 12:30	The epidemiology and effects of trauma: PTSD and trauma related physiology and psychopharmacology	Dr. Morgan Goodyear
May 15 th at 12:30	What else can we do about trauma: Non-pharmacological interventions for trauma and related disorders	Dr. Rakin Hoq
June 5 th at 12:30	Suicide prevention and threat assessments in clinical practice and in schools: recommended protocols for immediate response to suicide treat or ideation, what to do after an event to minimize contagion, best practices for prevention individually and universally.	Dr. Martha Edwards
June 19 th at 12:30	Summary and review of school-centered collaborative care and selection of future ECHO topics	



- To increase capacity and collaboration between PCPs and schools
- Free CME
- \$100 for case presenter



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Q & A

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