

# Positive Behavior Support (PBS) *Getting Involved with PBS Through MD DDA*

October 12, 2021

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## Our Time Today

- Introductions
- Circling back to the big-ideas of PBS
- Detail on how to get involved with organization-wide PBS through MD DDA
- Questions & Answers

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## Statewide Partnership for PBS



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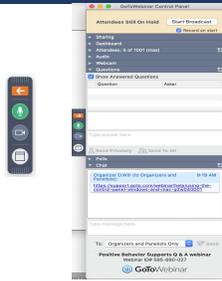
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## Introductions



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## Overview of Positive Behavior Support (PBS)

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## The Positive Behavior Support (PBS) Approach:

- Promotes the *respectful delivery* of practices that support the *dignity* of individuals
- Includes a *progression* of assessment, intervention, and decision-making activities
- Utilizes *validated* strategies
- Is applied throughout the *system*
- Occurs across a multi-tiered *continuum* of support

Create positive, consistent, safe, predictable, and equitable environments

In order to enhance Quality of Life and prevent problem behavior.

Kincaid, Dunlap, Kern, Lane, Bambara, Brown, Fox & Knoster, 2016

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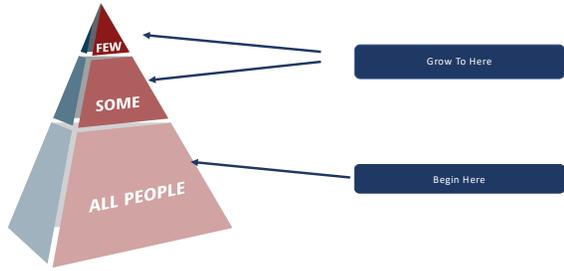
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## PBS and Organizations



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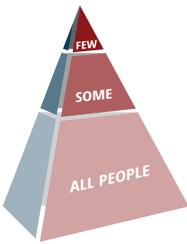
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## Tier 1 PBS: What Does It Look Like?



**Tier 1 (for ALL)**

- Predictable and proactive settings
  - [Common language/values](#)
  - [Routines](#)
- Plan for [teaching and prompting](#) communication and positive social behaviors
- Strategies to [acknowledge and recognize](#) positive social behaviors
  - Positive social interactions
  - Praise
  - Recognizing individuals and staff
- [Proactive and function-based responding](#) to challenging situations
- Consensus-based team focus
- Emphasis on using data for decisions

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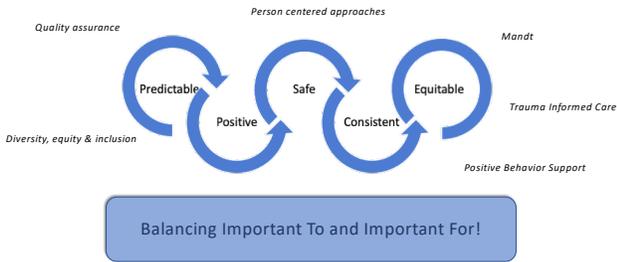
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## Alignment With Existing Person Centered Priorities



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## Becoming Involved with Cohort 2

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## Considerations

- Know what is expected
- Determine your interest and buy-in for this work
- Apply for Cohort 2



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## Cohort 2: Organization-wide PBS

- Up to 8 organizations
- Representation from across the state
- Commitment from organization leadership
- Commitment to engage in training, technical assistance, and evaluation with MD DDA and partners
- Multi-year commitment

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## Readiness Indicators

Maryland DDA Readiness Checklist For Organization-Wide Positive Behavior Support

Organization/County Participant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Documents/Evidence Complete	Items to Review, Complete and Update
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	1. Commitment to policy development related to positive behavior support with time allocation for staff development and team-based planning.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	2. A Team is identified with broad representatives, and roles assigned to members (administrator, management, staff members, etc.) and commitment to including a broader group in the meeting process (people supported, family members, community partners, etc.). <i>See team member names and roles on page 2.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	3. CEO/Executive/Head Administrator is an active participant on the Team and agrees to attend all training days.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	4. CEO/Executive/Head Administrator commits (or re-commits) to organization-wide implementation as a 3-5 year process that may require ongoing training and/or revisions to the Strategic Plan and PBS Action Plan. <i>Please provide Administrator signature(s) on this document below.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	5. Team commits to meet at least once a month during the year to analyze and problem-solve organization-wide evaluation information. <i>See Appendix A: Summary of Time Commitment.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	6. The team will evaluate ongoing interest and buy-in of implementing PBS with staff, people living/working in a setting, and administration.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	7. Organization has allocated/secured funding to support on-going staff development and cohort training.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	8. Individual(s) (1-3) identified as a PBS Point of Contact. This person(s) will serve as a primary contact and communication path between the MD DDA and the organization on correspondence related to PBS, and engage in training and technical assistance activities. <i>See Appendix A: Summary of Time Commitment.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	9. The organization commits to engage in internal training and coaching/technical assistance activities to support staff skill development as the organization implements PBS. <i>Administrative signature(s) on this document below indicates agreement.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	10. The organization will work with trainers to identify data that are already collected to use for self-assessment and will work to gather additional information in a manner that works for the organization.

Successful implementation requires strong administrative support, commitment, and involvement. In recognition of the time, effort, and motivation required to effect positive systems change, my signature below signifies my agreement and recommitment to the above fulfilled expectations for continued implementation.

CEO/Executive/Head Administrator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Organization prioritizes investment in positive behavior supports.




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### Commitment from Administration: Role of Leadership

- Sets the tone for how this work is prioritized
- Actively involved in the process
- Provides time for:
  - Organization team meetings
  - Attendance at training
  - Team to meet with external trainers and consultants
  - Training and support to be provided internally to build capacity



Time Commitment for Leader:  
Estimated 27 hours /person plus time spent at ongoing team meetings

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### Organization Leadership Team for PBS

Consider existing team(s)  
Avoid adding one more team

Time Commitment for Team Member:  
Estimated 24 hours /person plus time spent at ongoing team meetings

- Membership Should Include
- Organization leadership
  - Program managers
  - Quality assurance
  - Members with knowledge of individual functional skills and behavior patterns
  - Individual representation
  - Direct support professionals

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### PBS Point of Contact (PoC)

- One person (up to 3) who will be the main point of contact for communication between MD DDA and partners for training and technical assistance.
- Attend team meetings with organization PBS team
- Attend PBS training and technical assistance activities
- Attend two-three additional webinars for PoCs across the state as part of a professional learning community

Time Commitment for PoC:  
Estimated 33 hours /person plus time spent at ongoing team meetings

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### PBS Facilitators

- Identified by with organization during the first year of planning/implementation
- Individuals within organization who can build the expertise to train and support PBS within their organization

Time Commitment for PBS Facilitator:  
 Estimated 33 hours /person plus time spent at ongoing team meetings

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### Planning Webinars



- Two (2), 1.5 hour planning webinars
- Prior to team training
- Attended by organization leadership and PBS Point of Contact
- Purpose: finalize the leadership team and who is attending the team training events, engage with organization planning tools
  - Alignment
  - Evaluation

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### Team Training

- Three (3) full-day team training events
- Goal: In-person
- Days 1 and 2: PBS Foundations and Features
- Day 3: PBS Evaluation
- Attended by full team, including organization leadership



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### Technical Assistance

- Two to three (2 to 3) on-site meetings with consultants
  - Part of evaluation process to inform action planning
- Webinars with other Cohort 2 organizations (e.g., quarterly)
- As needed
  - Attend team meetings
  - Review products
  - Email/phone



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### Evaluation

- Purpose: to inform action planning and monitor (a) effort, (b) fidelity, and (c) impact
- Two to three (2 to 3) on-site learning walks with the TFI.
- Development of an evaluation plan to monitor
  - Effort
  - Fidelity
  - Impact

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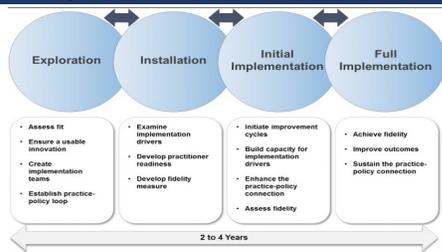
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### We Are Asking For A 3 – 5 Year Commitment....As, Lasting Change Takes Time



National Implementation Research Network

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### Summary: What Does It Mean To Get Involved?

<p>Training to Organization leadership teams</p> <p>Access to consultation as you build and maintain your PBS approach</p> <p>Ongoing training opportunities with your Cohort</p> <p>Support for evaluation</p> <p>Timely and relevant resources and updates</p>	<p>Active administrative leadership &amp; involvement</p> <p>Organization leadership team to coordinate PBS efforts</p> <p>Complete the application to indicate interest</p> <p>Attending two readiness webinars</p> <p>Attending three days of team training</p> <p>Engage in TA &amp; evaluation (virtual &amp; onsite)</p>
<b>What DDA Provides</b>	<b>What Organizations Need to Commit To</b>

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### In Order To Apply

1. Review application
2. Complete the Readiness Guidelines within the application
3. Identify (a) organization leader(s), (b) leadership team, (c) PBS Point of Contact
4. Complete and submit the application by 11:59pm on December 10, 2021

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### 2021 – 2022: Important Dates

<p><b>November</b></p> <p><b>04</b></p> <p>Support Webinar For Applications</p> <p>11:00am – 1:00pm</p>	<p><b>December</b></p> <p><b>10</b></p> <p>Applications Due to DDA</p>	<p><b>January</b></p> <p><b>31</b></p> <p>Teams Will Be Notified</p>	 <p><b>Calendar</b></p> <p><b>To be Announced</b></p> <p>Readiness webinar and team training dates</p> <p>April 2022 – July 2022</p>
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# Questions

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Want To Learn More About PBS?

<https://www.apbs.org/>

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