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The Maryland School-Based Health Center Program State Fiscal Years 2022 - 2026

Goals:

- Integrate with the larger system of healthcare, public health, and social services in Maryland to provide coordinated support for Maryland's children and adolescents.
- Reduce the total cost of healthcare by reducing costs related to unnecessary emergency room visits and hospital stays.
- Make quality primary care, preventive, and mental health services accessible and available, particularly in communities of need, in Maryland.
- Provide youth- and adolescent-friendly, trauma-informed care for all students,
- Maximize educational success through improved health and well-being.

Strategic Priorities

1. **SBHCs will be a foundational, operational element of the Maryland Medicaid and Primary Care Program.**
2. **Build a sustainable financial model for School-Based Health Centers** that sustainably and equitably supports their mission.
3. **Expand comprehensive school-based healthcare services** (e.g., preventive, behavioral, and oral health) in historically disenfranchised and underserved communities.
4. **Define and standardize the expected quality of care** provided by School-Based Health Centers in Maryland.
5. **Develop a robust foundation of accessible data** that is relevant to School-Based Health Center operations, quality of care, educational impact, and value.