## Highlights from FY 2023

## Comprehensive School Mental Health

#### Helped 74% more schools promote well-being and address students' trauma and behavioral health needs.

Engaged 360 schools in one or more of CHDI's school mental health initiatives, including CBITS, Bounce Back, SHAPE, School-Based Diversion Initiative, and Comprehensive School Mental Health implementation.

# ENGAGED 360 **SCHOOLS**

## **System Development & Policy**

**Developed a strategic plan to address Connecticut's workforce challenges:** Strengthening the Behavioral Health Workforce for Children, Youth, and Families.



Helped design Connecticut's newest level of care: Four Urgent Crisis Centers, funded by DCF, created alternatives to the emergency departments for youth experiencing a behavioral health crisis.

**Strengthened Connecticut's system of care** and helped the State secure a fourth federal **CONNECT grant** to enhance school mental health over the next four years.

### **Effective Behavioral Health Treatment**

**Evidence-based treatments** (EBTs) improved outcomes and reduced racial and ethnic disparities more than "usual care."

#### 2,500+ **Children Received An EBT** disseminated by CHDI 87% 285+ **New Providers** Significant Symptom Trained in an EBT

TF-CBT, MATCH-ADTC, Bounce Back CBITS, A-SBIRT, Care Coordination

Reduction Children with reduced symptoms after TF-CBT





Best-practice training in child trauma screening available nationwide at no cost for school staff, pediatric health providers, and child-serving professionals.

## **Quality Improvement**

CHDI helped Connecticut improve children's behavioral health services through our continuous quality improvement process.

#### This year, we supported:

- Mobile Crisis Intervention Services, including expansion to 24/7/365 service
- A network of 23 Outpatient Psychiatric **Clinics for Children** (OPCC)
- Multiple evidence-based treatments
- Mobile response implementation in five states



9,400+

**Youth Utilized Mobile Crisis In CT in SFY 2023** 

95% **Mobility Rate** 

## A Commitment to Equity and Racial Justice

CHDI's core values affirm our commitment to health equity and racial justice so all children can thrive.



#### **FY 2023 GOALS**





Place anti-racism and equity as central to our internal policies



Engage staff and board in knowledge development and advancing CHDI as an anti-racist, inclusive, and multicultural organization



Apply best practices in anti-racism and equity to our work including data practices, contracts, and program initiatives

We advanced these goals by administering an organizational assessment; updating our hiring, employee review, and contracts processes; engaging staff and board in anti-racist and equity-focused activities; implementing equitable data practices; and using the Racial Equity Impact Analysis (REIA) framework to inform program design and implementation.

## A Great Place to Work

CHDI was recognized as a "Best Place to Work" for the second straight year by the Hartford **Business Journal and New Haven Biz!** 

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