

Workgroup Name: Vermont Blueprint for Health Workgroup for Program Designs for Community Health Teams for Expansion of Community Health Teams	Workgroup Leader: Julie Parker	
Meeting Goals: 1. Brief review of last meeting 2. Screenings 3. Review Expanded Y2 Screenings spreadsheet 4. Questions/Comments	Mtg. Facilitator: Julie Parker Mtg. Recorder: Nichole Bachand Where: Virtual Meeting Conference Room: none Date: February 22, 2024 Time: 9:00am-10:00am	

Attendees				
Name	Affiliation	Name	Affiliation	
Jessa Barnard	Vermont Medical Society	Denise Smith	Blueprint Program Manager	
Gretchen Pembroke	Designated Agency/ Clara Martin Center	Ilisa Stalberg	VDH, Family & Child Health Director	
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Dr. Breena Holmes	VCHIP Pediatrician	Carol Lang-Godin	Parent Child Center Network, Lamoille	
Patty Breneman	Health Department Division of Substance Use Program			



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Dr. John Saroyan	Executive Director, Blueprint for Health	Mara Donohue	Assistant Director Blueprint for Health		
Caleb Denton	Data Analytics and Info Administrator Blueprint for Health	Jenn Herwood	Payment Operations Administrator Blueprint for Health		
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Erin Just	Quality Improvement Facilitator Coordinator	Julie Parker	Assistant Director Blueprint for Health		

	Agenda Topic	Topic Facilitator	NOTES (notes are provided in italics and blue)	Action Items
Ι	Welcome Back	Julie Parker	Recap of previous meeting. Discussed Y2 attestations Created new age groupings Incorporates developmental milestones and agerelated tools Clarified SDOH focus areas for caregivers and adults No expectation that by July 1st all screenings are done and in place Attestation is aspirational and can be flexible	
II	Screenings	Julie Parker	 Mental Health/Depression Screenings: Caregivers – Edinburg post-natal schedule 1, 2, 4, 6 months and PHQ 2/0 OR CMS questions OR note where questions overlap with other screenings SWYC for example. Mental Health Youth PHQA-CSSR Mental Health Adult PHQ 2/9 PHQA – would like to see in conjunction with CSSR for 12 and up. 	

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Suicide:

Columbia CSSR – New tool for youth recently published with PHQ

Substance Use:

- Audit & DAST are recommended tools for adults.
- UNCOPE is the tool used for parents in DULCE
- Practices should use some form of primary screener and/or waterfall into substance use questions.
- Nicotine use
- Practice may use discretion for anxiety assessment screening, GAD-7, not mandating for Y2 but is encouraged.

Pregnancy Intention: For those 15+ who are able to become pregnant ask One Key Question.

Caregivers for individuals 18+ need further discussion, no recommendations at this time.

In practice, there are older adult related tools, for mental health and family/community support, that are worth consideration but not outlined in the attestation at this time.

There's been a lot of turnovers at some practices.

A presenter from Dartmouth will present at the June 14th Conference at Lake Morey focusing on screening approaches and follow-up.

An RFP will be going out for vendor training on motivational interviewing and other similar supports for practices.

There is a vendor called Find Help that (2) HSAs (Morrisville & Springfield) use to help find some (not all) support resources in Vermont.

- VCCI & JP are looking into a demo for Find Help to see if it's something the state could use.
- Hope is to keep existing CHT Expansion practices sign-on for Y2.

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Regarding Screenings, can the information be linked to VITL so that people don't have to rebuild EHRs.

- It would be good to provide this data to VITL in the future.
- Building for the future, no expectations to have this ready for implementation in the short term.

Important to receive all practice attestations by April 15th to allow time for processing.

Blueprint Executive Director is working to receive a formal answer about the capacity to spend the money after FY 2025 so that hired staff can continue their employment after FY 2026.

III	Questions &
	Comments

Comment: It would be helpful to have a BP reference page that pulls all these screenings together to view in a format like the link provided in action items.

Question: Can the spreadsheet link to each of the screening questions.

Answer: Yes, and previously had link to the attestation form.

Question: Can a column be added.

Answer: Yes, some communities are developing their own tools to describe what happens when there is a positive

screen/where resources are located and what referral paths exist where there are centralized resources available.

Comment: It would be good to have a separate document from the spreadsheet with all the screening questions listed.

Comment: Suggestion to add a paragraph to the screening questions about the importance of the relationship between the family & the provider. There has been mention of families feeling deflated or inadequate after the screenings.

Comment: DULCE will be providing some training and supports to help practices put screeners into context in a way that addresses the concerns of families feeling deflated or inadequate.

Link to General
Anxiety
Disorder Screening
Questions:
https://www.hiv.uw.

edu/page/mentalhealth-

screening/gad-2

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		Question to QI: What do you think about asking practices to incorporate these screeners? Answer: Some practices will take questions from a tool and incorporate the question into a patient intake form.	
		Question/Comment: • Thing of the PII, it is a similar table of "Where are you at with this?" • The spreadsheet doesn't allow for the option "we're not doing that". Answer: The final version will allow for that.	
		Question: Is BP sponsoring CHT training in March? Answer: No, that is AHEC, BP will support something similar later in the year.	
		Question: Is the vision for the model of the Expansion to have very specific requirements or rules in place in the manual like Spoke, or closer to the original CHT model? • Is this somewhere in the plan, is that the goal of this group? Answer: We will make another appendix in the manual for Y2. Aside from the positions that can be hired. We will add to the manual the suggested screenings for implementation for pilot. Comment: With new practices signing on it's helpful to have a guide even if it's not a requirement.	
IV	Wrap Up		

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