AGENDA OVERVIEW

10:00 - 10:20
Welcome and Keynote

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Plenary Opening Panel Discussion
This IS Texas

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Support for Diverse Student Populations on Campus
Federal Opportunities to Support Campus Behavioral Health
Research-Based Best Practices in Campus Behavioral Health
Innovative Approaches to Addressing Campus Behavioral Health

1:00 - 2:00
Lunch and Closing Panel Discussion
Cost-Effective Strategies to Increase Capacity and Scale Support

2:00 - 2:15
Closing Remarks
**AGENDA DETAIL***

10:00 - 10:20  |  **Welcome and Keynote**  |  Conference Room 820

*Securing the Mental Health of America’s College Students*

*James Kvaal, Under Secretary, U.S. Dept. of Education*

*Roberto Rodriguez, Assistant Secretary, Office of Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, U.S. Dept. of Education*

10:20 - 11:20  |  **Plenary Opening Panel**  |  Conference Room 820

*This IS Texas*

This plenary will provide a deep dive into Texas’ work to address campus mental health through statewide efforts and individual campus and systems level approaches. Panelists will discuss what led them to these institutional and state supports, how the state and system have been able to leverage federal funding and community resources and offer advice for other states seeking to form interagency, institutional, and community relationships and partnerships to meaningfully and comprehensively address campus mental health.

*Alia Wong* (moderator), *USA TODAY*

*Kay Trent Pierce*, *Student, West Texas A&M University*

*Phil Ritter*, *Vice Chair, Board of Trustees, Dallas College*

*Mike Flores*, *Chancellor, Alamo Colleges District*

11:20 - 11:30  |  **Transition to Breakout Sessions**  |  9th and 10th Floor Conference Rooms

11:30 - 12:30  |  **Breakout Sessions**  |  9th and 10th Floor Conference Rooms

All breakout sessions will utilize ignite-style presentations from the chair and co-facilitators to ground the discussion followed by an interactive modality (e.g., Lesson Plan, Consultancy, Speed Networking, Offers/Needs Exchange, Think Tank, Goal-Setting Scrums) to deeply engage the audience in conversations about how to apply the information in their institution or state.
**Plenary Closing Panel**  
**Conference Room 820**

*Cost-Effective Strategies to Increase Capacity and Scale Supports*

This plenary will discuss how institutions have been able to leverage external resources to increase their capacity and how states are working to scale supports to better serve the mental health needs of students.

- **Nasser Paydar** (moderator), Assistant Secretary for the Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Dept. of Education
- **Christina Sedney**, Director of Policy and Strategic Initiatives, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE)
- **Laura Horne**, Chief Program Officer, Active Minds
- **Zainab Okolo**, Senior Vice President of Policy, Advocacy & Government Relations, The Jed Foundation
- **Kayla Suarez**, Student and Co-Founder, Astro Studios

**Closing Remarks**  
**Conference Room 820**

Participants will hear closing remarks from Biden-Harris Administration leadership about the importance of attending to the mental health needs of college students.

- **Amy Lewis Gilbert**, Senior Health Policy Advisor, Office of the Vice President, The White House
Support for Diverse Student Populations on Campus  
(Room 940)

This session will highlight specific institutional strategies to best serve the mental health needs of diverse student populations.

David McGhee (moderator), Chief Executive Officer, The Steve Fund

Casey Pick, Director of Law and Policy, The Trevor Project
Nicole Lynn Lewis, Founder and CEO, Generation Hope
Morgan Bailey Graves, Student and HBCU Scholar, Jackson State University
Emily Singer Lucio, ADA/504 Coordinator, University of Maryland-College Park

Federal Opportunities to Support Campus Behavioral Health  
(Room 944)

This session will highlight federal resources to support student mental health needs.

Brian Bridges (moderator), Secretary of Higher Education, New Jersey
Lisa Laswell, Associate Director of Health Center Operations and Well-Being Finances, MSU Denver - Health Center at Auraria
Rebecca Ruan-O’Shaughnessy, Vice Chancellor for Educational Services and Support, California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office
Christopher Bonner, Student, Howard University
Matt Niece, Interim Executive Director of Health Services, Boise State University
Sandra Edmonds Crewe, Dean and Professor of Social Work, Howard University
Alisa Bennett, VA VITAL Program Coordinator, Bedford VA Healthcare System

Research-Based Best Practices in Campus Behavioral Health  
(Room 1020)

This session will do a deep dive into a recent survey of the public health field regarding what works for improving campus behavioral.

Hollie Chessman (moderator), Director & Principal Program Officer, American Council on Education

Stacia Alexander, Medical and Wellness Health Clinic Director, Paul Quinn College
Lindsey Mortenson, Executive Director & Chief Mental Health Officer, University of Michigan
Sara Abelson, Assistant Professor, Temple University School of Medicine & Senior Director, The Hope Center for College, Community and Justice

Innovative Approaches to Addressing Campus Behavioral Health  
(Room 1024)

This session will highlight how institutions have leveraged technology and other innovations to address campus behavioral health.

Sunny Patel (moderator), Senior Advisor for Children, Youth, and Families in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Substance Use and Mental Health, SAMHSA
Rosa West, Interim Director, Counseling and Wellness Center, University of Florida
Damian Zavala, Associate Vice President, Health and Wellness, California State University Long Beach
Geoffrey Landward, Commissioner of Higher Education, Utah System of Higher Education
Susan Denny, Counselor, Davidson College
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