



Behavioral Health Workforce Education & Training Program

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Challenges

- ❖ **Montana leads nation in deaths by suicide**
- ❖ **55 out of 56 counties are Health Professional Shortage areas**
- ❖ **Lack of mental health care providers and training are top reasons for Family Practice Physician turnover in rural areas**
- ❖ **Stigma**



Opportunities

- ❖ Provide common language in communities (healthcare, EMS, law enforcement, education, community members)
- ❖ Increase knowledge and training for current healthcare providers
- ❖ Support recovery in rural areas
- ❖ Mental health literacy
- ❖ Stigma reduction



Education Programs & Trainings

- ❖ **Fundamentals of Behavioral Health**
- ❖ **Community Health Worker**
- ❖ **MOAB® - Management of Aggressive Behaviors**
- ❖ **Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training**
- ❖ **Mental Health First Aid/Youth Mental Health First Aid**
- ❖ **Behavioral Health Peer Support Specialist**
- ❖ **Behavioral Health Technician**





Thank you

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