

# AB 2083: Children and Youth System of Care



California Department of  
EDUCATION



**Children and Youth System of Care  
State Technical Assistant Team**

**2020**

# Assumptions & Definitions

- County
- Regional centers
- Child welfare
- Boundaries for our systems
  - County/regions/statewide
    - Child welfare
    - Regional centers and Department of Developmental Services
    - Education
    - Department of Rehabilitation
  - Youth centered planning
  - Services
  - Eligibility
  - Entitlement/required
  - Foster youth
  - Mental Health Plan
  - Managed Care Plan
  - Medi-Cal
  - Beneficiary
  - Others

**Total Youth in the  
Child Welfare System**  $\approx 60,000$

**Probation  
Foster Youth**  $\approx 2,400$

CWS/CMS 2019 Quarter 3 Extract. CCWIP reports.  
Retrieved Mar 4, 2020, from University of California at Berkeley California Child  
Welfare Indicators Project website. URL: <https://ccwip.berkeley.edu>

**Total Foster Youth enrolled  
in CA K-12 public schools**

**46,810**

**5,233 HOMELESS (at least 1X - school year)**

**7,382 ENGLISH LEARNERS**

**14,699 DISABILITY**

<https://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/>, 2018-2019 school year

**Total Open Child Welfare  
Case Receiving Specialty  
Mental Health Services**

$\approx 52,643$

[DHCS.ca.gov](https://dhcs.ca.gov), June 2018

**Total Individuals Ages 0 to 21 Served  
By Regional Centers**

**183,754**

DDS, Fact Book, January 2018

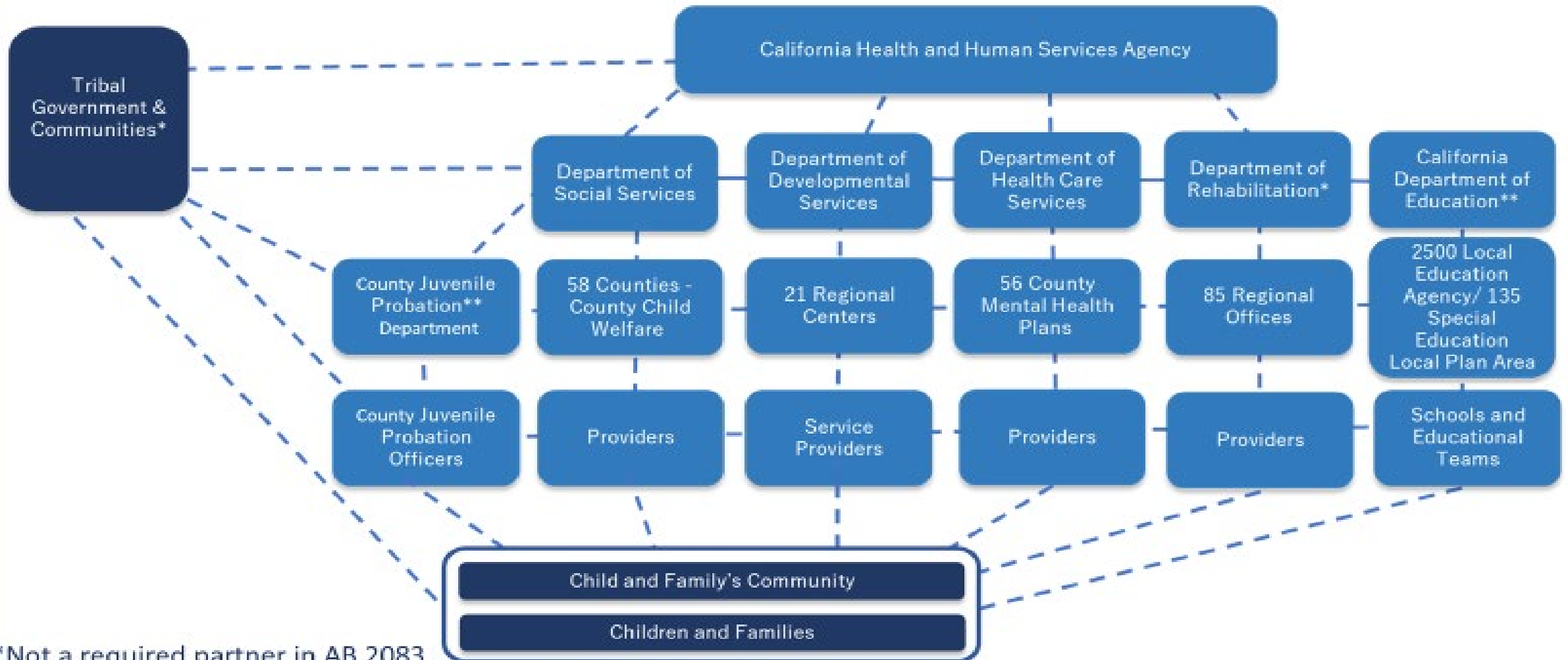
**Status 5: Court Dependent  
Children**

$\approx 6,300$

DDS, Data X, FY 18/19

*\* Each system calculates foster youth differently, per their regulations*

# Children and Youth System of Care Partners



\*Not a required partner in AB 2083

\*\*Required partner by AB 2083, but not a department under Health and Human Services Agency

# What is AB 2083?

[Assembly Bill 2083](#) (Chapter 815, Statutes of 2018), requires each county to develop and implement a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlining the roles and responsibilities of the various local entities that serve children and youth in foster care who have experienced severe trauma.

The legislation is focused on the child welfare system but can, and must be, expanded to look at children and youth served by various other systems.

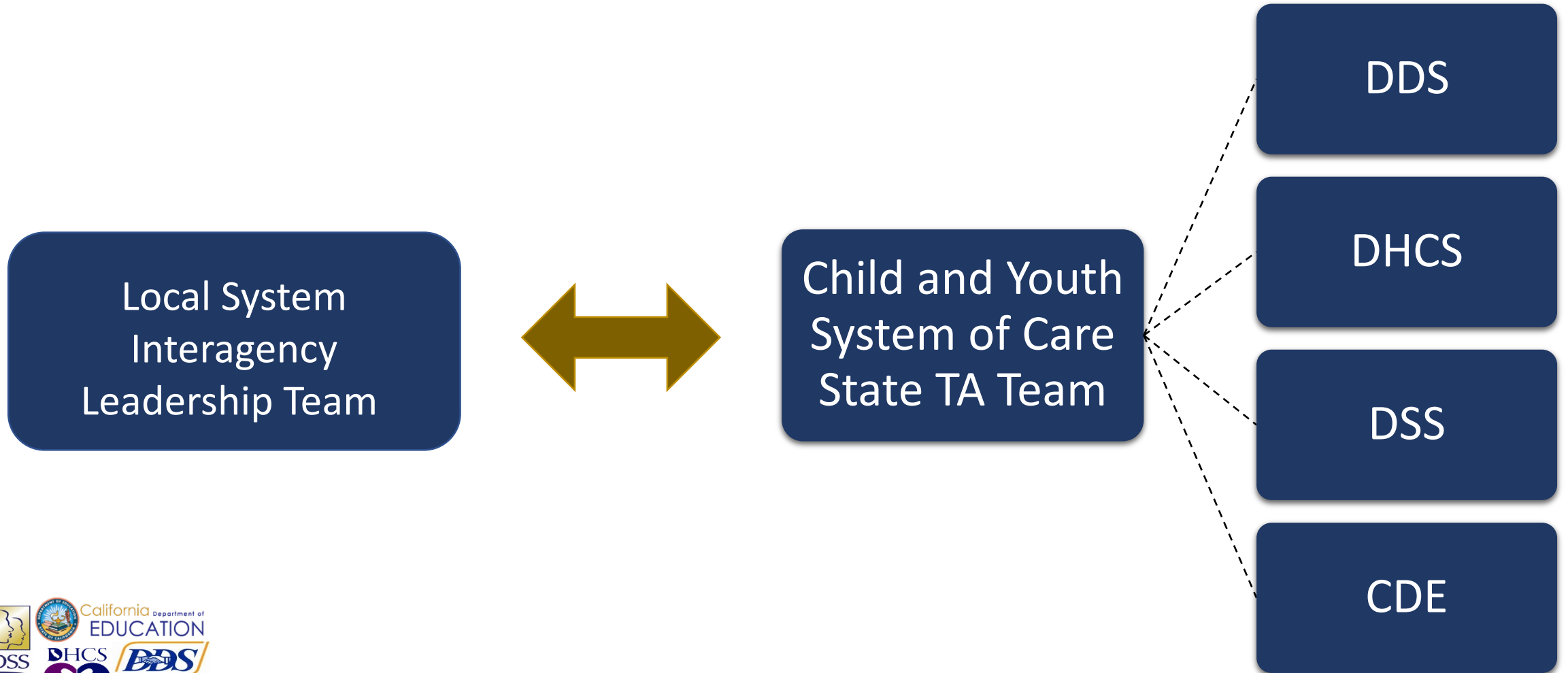
**Source: The California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS),**  
<https://www.chhs.ca.gov/home/system-of-care/>

# What is AB 2083?

## The legislation calls for the following deliverables:

- Development of a MOU between local partners including child welfare, regional centers, county offices of education, probation, and county behavioral health
- Development of State MOU Guidance
- Process to request technical assistance (TA) from State Interagency Resolution Team
- Analysis of Gaps in Placement Types, Services, or Other Issues – No later than January 1, 2020
- Development of a Multiyear Plan for Increasing Capacity – No later than June 1, 2020

# Child and Youth System of Care State Technical Assistance Team



# Who is Involved in AB 2083?

## Children and Youth System of Care State TA Team includes:

- California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS)
- Department of Social Services (DSS)
- Department of Developmental Services (DDS)
- Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)
- California Department of Education (CDE)
- Tribal Governments\*
- Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)\*



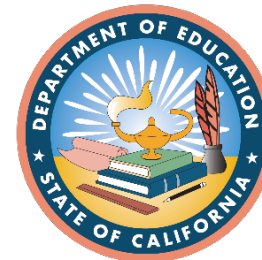
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# The Mission

The California Health and Human Services Agency, in partnership with state and local partners, and stakeholders has identified the mission of the Children and Youth System of Care State TA Team to be:

- Promoting collaboration and communication across systems to meet the needs of children, youth and families;
- Supporting timely access to trauma-informed services for children and youth; and
- Resolving TA requests by counties and partner agencies, as requested, to meet the needs of children and youth.



# Goal: Integrated System of Care

System of Care is a service delivery approach that builds partnerships to create a broad, integrated process for meeting families' multiple needs.

Source: The California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS),

<https://www.chhs.ca.gov/home/system-of-care/>

# System of Care Principles

- Family Voice and Choice
- Natural Supports
- Collaboration
- Teaming
- Community Based
- Culturally Responsive
- Individualized
- Strength Based
- Persistence
- Outcomes Based
- Trauma Informed

# Children and Youth System of Care Practice

Supported by the state's *Integrated Core Practice  
Model for Children, Youth and Families* (ICPM)

Local MOU discussions should be informed by  
the ICPM's ten principles.

# MOU Guidance

- AB 2083 MOU Guidance Information Notice
- AB 2083 MOU Guidance

# Local System of Care Partners



## Required Partners

- County Child Welfare
- County Mental Health Plans
- Regional Center
- County Office of Education
- Juvenile Probation

## Collaborative Partners

- Federally Recognized Tribes (through consultation)
- Tribal Partners and Organizations
- Department of Rehabilitation
- First 5
- Family Resource Center
- Local Hospitals
- Community Based Organization/Providers
- County Dependency Court Judges
- County Public Health
- Others

# MOU Components

1. Interagency Leadership Team
2. Integrated Core Practice Model
3. Information and Data Sharing
4. Screening, Assessment, and Entry to Care
5. Child and Family Teaming
6. Interagency Placement Committee
7. Alignment and Coordination of Services
8. Staff Recruitment, Training, and Coaching
9. Financial Resource Management
10. Dispute Resolution Process
11. Resource Families and Therapeutic Foster Care Services

# Youth Centered Planning is universal...

- Individualized Education Program
- Section 504 Plan
- Student Study Team
- Individual Program Plan/Individual Family Service Plan
- Child and Family Team (safety, action, case, and permanency plan)
- Individual Health Care Plan
- Independent Living Plan



# MOU Development Considerations

- 1) Systematic issues will organically be addressed as the MOU is developed.
- 2) The MOU will have the ability to ensure that sufficient ongoing engagement is occurring and may respond to issues and alleviate the need for state level TA.
- 3) The local MOU is essential to the establishment of shared interagency responsibility, engagement and resource allocation.

# State Level Request for Technical Assistance

After the local dispute resolution process has been exhausted, system partners can request Technical Assistance for:

**1**

*System of Care Development and Practice Implementation*

**2**

*Child or Youth Specific Challenges*

# CALLS:

## TA for System of Care Policy Development and Practice Implementation



- For challenges in the development, implementation, and sustainability of the local MOU



- All partners involved in the MOU



- As requested by any of the MOU Partners

# CALLS: TA for a Child or Youth



- For System of Care child specific case resolution



- As requested by any partner included in the MOU



- Including, but not limited to: Providers, Child Welfare Staff, Regional Center, County Office of Education, Special Education Local Plan Area, Local Education Agency, County Mental Health Plans, Probation, Child Welfare Associations



- Requests are triaged by the DSS team and then calls are facilitated by the Children and Youth System of Care State TA Team

# HOW: Request for Technical Assistance

*If moving through your local dispute process has been exhausted:*



Email to: [SystemofCare@DSS.CA.GOV](mailto:SystemofCare@DSS.CA.GOV)

# Opportunities for System of Care Support

## MOU Resources

- Resources are in development to support the MOU processes and to assist with overcoming system barriers. Resources will be posted to the System of Care website ([www.chhs.ca.gov/system-of-care](http://www.chhs.ca.gov/system-of-care)) as they become available. Additionally, you are welcome to contact [SystemofCare@dss.ca.gov](mailto:SystemofCare@dss.ca.gov) with requests for resources.

## Statewide AB 2083/System of Care TA Calls

- The first Wednesday of each month, at 10:00 am, state partners host a 90-minute webinar in support of System of Care practice and develop a statewide community of practice.
- Next Date: June 10, 2020 10:00 am – 11:30am

# Resources



## System of Care

- <https://www.chhs.ca.gov/home/system-of-care/>

## System Profiles

- [Child Welfare Services](#)
- [Specialty Mental Health Services](#)
- [Rehabilitation Services](#)
- [Regional Center – Early Start Services](#)
- [Regional Center – Lanterman Act Services](#)
- [California Department of Education – Special Education Services](#)
- [California Department of Education – Foster Youth Services](#)

## Legislation – AB 2083

- [Assembly Bill 2083](#)

## MOU Guidance

- [AB 2083 MOU Guidance Information Notice](#)
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