



**NACBH**

National Association for Children's Behavioral Health

**2022**

# ANNUAL REPORT

As a trusted source of education, community, and advocacy, NACBH maintains a focus on providing the timely delivery of quality education, an ongoing information-sharing forum of fellow behavioral health administrators, and consistent updates of federal legislative and regulatory developments.

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# Where Children's Behavioral Health Leaders Advance

NACBH members approached 2022 with resiliency as a central focus. In the face of unprecedented workforce issues and ever-pressing policy concerns, NACBH members came together as a community, both formally and informally, for collegial support, collaboration, and innovation. Over 2022, members met virtually on 12 occasions and in person on two for timely information regarding best practices and guidance through the complex leadership challenges presented by the evolving behavioral health landscape.

## A Year of Impact

### Ongoing Engagement

The Best Practices Committee met regularly throughout the past year, bringing like-minded professionals together to share ideas and tackle important topics regarding virtual reaccreditation surveys, reducing the use of seclusion and restraint, the role of quality improvement specialists, and the results of the Quality Collaborative on Improving the Use of Psychotropic Medication with Youth in Residential Treatment Centers. To better integrate the important conversations around DEI, the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Member Group merged with the Best Practices Committee. Taheti Watson, Chief Engagement and Diversity Officer with Canopy Children's Solutions, continued to lead quarterly discussions regarding best practices in implementing progressive and sustainable DEI programs now as part of the Best Practices Committee.



2 CONFERENCES



23 EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS



100+ ATTENDEES

### Annual Conferences

In late July, NACBH held a Public Policy Conference which focused on discussing and advancing critical policy and regulatory developments, that affect behavioral health services for children and their families, on a national level. The conference provided ample opportunities for attendees to meet with Congressional staffers and discuss policy issues affecting the delivery of their services.

Held annually each winter, the Emerging Best Practices Conference provides children's behavioral health leaders with cutting-edge solutions to current and pending challenges in the field. This year's conference titled "Our People are the Point: Navigating Workforce Issues and Organizational Health" focused on workforce development and strategies to create a strong, engaging organizational culture.

### Timely Policy Updates

Through NACBH News, members received tailored updates highlighting evolving public policy, emerging trends affecting their services, and can't miss educational events directly to their inbox twice a month. NACBH News Flashes were issued as needed in the off-weeks, for example, when Provider Relief Funds were made available, or when critical guidance was issued by federal agencies.



22

EDITIONS  
OF NACBH  
NEWS

11

TOPIC  
AREAS  
COVERED

52

ARTICLES  
PUBLISHED

# Our Community

*Our members are visionary leaders in children's behavioral health. They are mission-oriented, located across the United States, and dedicated to the mission of helping children. This dedicated community has continued to flourish, with two multi-service agencies joining as voting members: Children's Home Society of Washington and Tides Family Services.*



## Leading the Way

NACBH's Board of Directors shaped the direction of this organization throughout 2022 and will continue to guide the community into 2023 and beyond.

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