Behavioral Health Workforce

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Goals and what to expect





Introductions



Overview



Understand Behavioral Health Workforce Needs



Describe roles within the Behavioral Health Workforce



Identify Behavioral Health Recruitment Strategies



Behavioral Health Retention Strategies



It takes a village



Q&A

Introductions

- Name
- Type of Organization
- Role at Organization
- What do you hope to learn?
- How does Behavioral Health Workforce help your organization achieve its mission?



Values-driven mission leads to successful recruitment

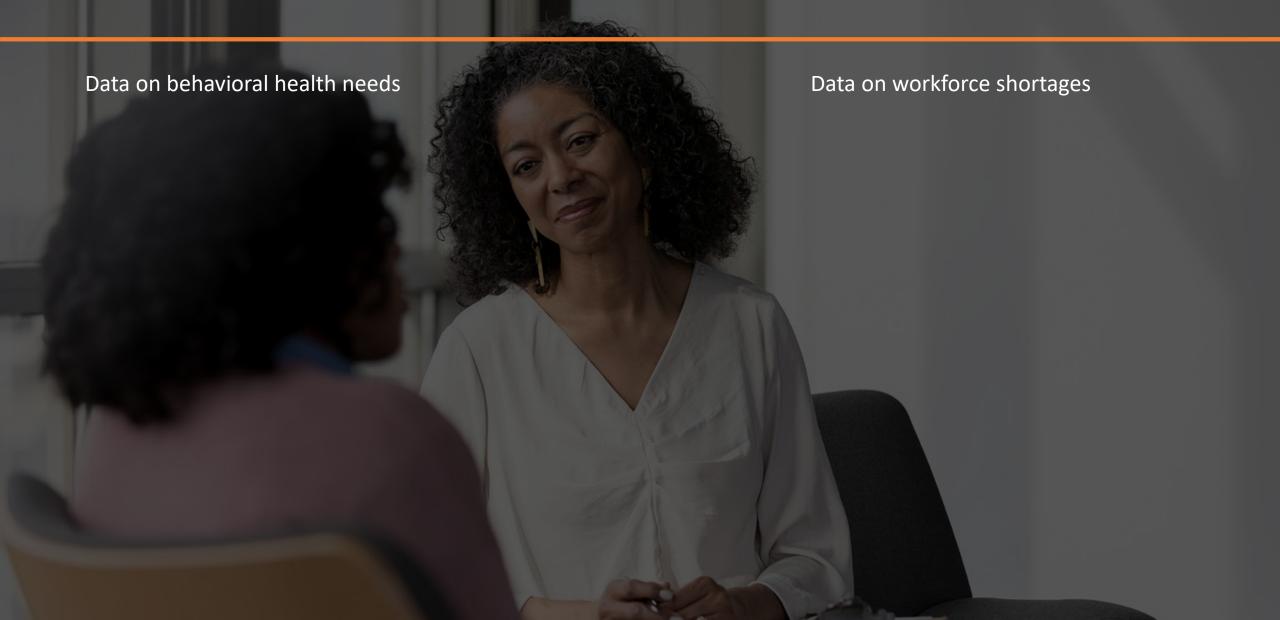
Successful recruitment drives retention

Strong retention drives quality services

Quality services drive health equity and improved outcomes

...which reinforces the mission of the organization

Behavioral Health Workforce Needs:





Who is the Behavioral Health workforce?

Today we will focus on the roles below

- Licensed Clinical Social Workers
- Licensed Psychologists
- Licensed Professional Counselors
- Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists
- Physicians (Psychiatrists, Primary Care Providers)
- Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners
- Master's level clinicians without independent license
- Care Managers
- Peer Specialists
- Recovery Specialists
- Community Health Workers

Behavioral Health Workforce Trivia

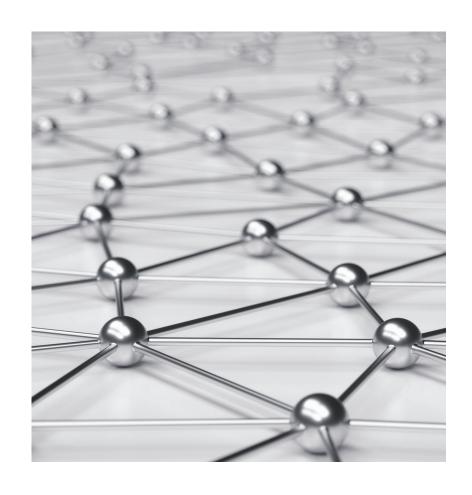
Behavioral Health Recruitment:

What can you do now?

- Market your organization:
 - What is your organization's history and mission?
 - How do different Behavioral Health roles fit into this?
- Learn your organization's Behavioral Health roles:
 - What training, skills, and experience are you looking for?
- Invest time early, it will pay off later:
 - Learn what applicants love about their work
 - Assess who will be their team, involve the team in recruiting and hiring process
 - Value people's time and expertise
 - Create an inclusive and equitable process for candidates
 - Streamline processes to minimize administrative burden
 - Ensure robust onboarding and training for new staff
 - Regular supervision and check-ins
- Recognize staff's work: early, often, and meaningfully!

Behavioral Health Recruitment: Systemic Changes to Maximize Workforce

- ✓ What are your organization's behavioral health workforce needs now?
- ✓ What will be the needs in 5 years?
- ✓ Partnerships to develop and train the student to clinician pipeline
- ✓ Incentivize future workforce
- ✓ Maximize staff working at the top of their license
- ✓ Enhance training to extend the full scope of a professional's practice
- ✓ Reduce administrative burden
- ✓ Build sustainable careers



Behavioral Health Retention

Retention starts with your marketing and recruiting

Onboarding

Training/ ramp up

Supervision

Clear responsibilities and continuous feedback

Peer support

Respect for expertise

Valuing the person (respect, salary, training, recognition, work/ life balance)

Reduce admin burden as much as possible

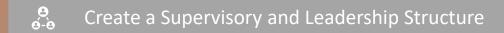
Prevent burnout and moral injury

Career development and advancement opportunities (formal and informal)

Behavioral Health Career Development

GROWTH AND CHANGE EXPERTS







Recognize and value the expertise

Group and Team-Building skills

Experience and expertise building trust

Strategic and tactical thinkers

Skills applicable to many organizational roles



Behavioral Health Workforce

Questions?