



Connecticut Health
FOUNDATION
Changing Systems, Improving Lives.

**Keep The Promise Coalition
Children's Committee
School Mental Health Summit
Wed. Jan. 25, 2012**



CT Health's Theory of Change:



- Influencing public opinion to change policy
- Changing institutional policy, practice and behavior
- Changes professional practice
- Provide technical assistance





CT Health Priority Areas:

- Children's Mental Health
- Oral Health
- Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities



CT Health's Involvement in Children's Mental Health:



- Investment to date: Over \$12 million
- Supported Kid Care reform-Capacity Building Grants
- 2007 focus on addressing need of early identification and intervention



Children's Mental Health: Goal & Objectives



Goal: Reduce the number of at-risk children ages 6-14 entering intensive treatment and/or the juvenile justice system due to mental health problems.

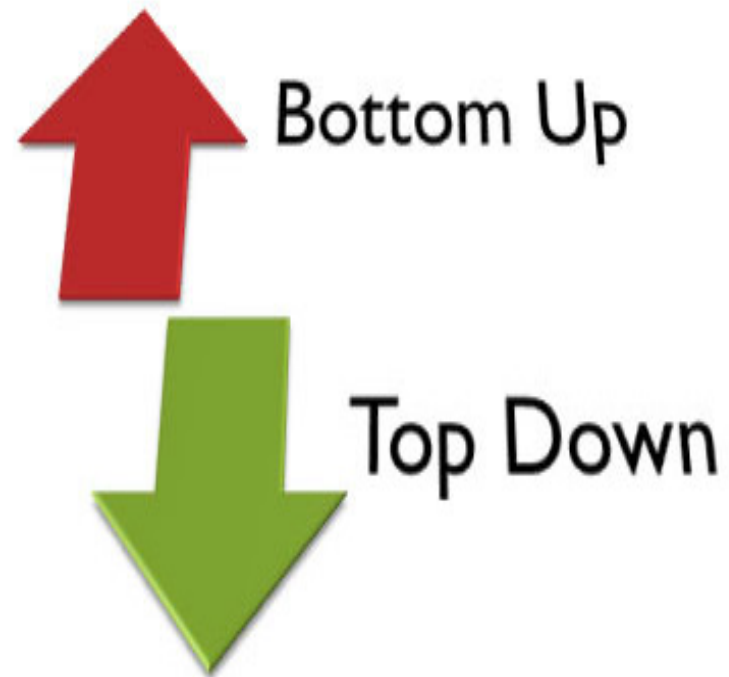
Objective 1: Promote a **community-based system of early identification and intervention** for children at risk of mental health problems.

Objective 2: **Support the development and dissemination of knowledge** in early identification and effective interventions relating to children's mental health.

CT Health Investments:



- Support Advocacy
- Innovative Community Models
 - Hamden Schools
 - Clifford Beers Planning Grant
 - Community Demonstrations
- Research



Moving Forward



- We always seek to partner with community or state partners to address root causes
- Eager to hear innovative, systems-based solutions

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