

Issue Paper

DATE: 4/15/24

AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):

Consider/Approve Kenton County School District (KCSD) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Ellie Mental Health, Creative Therapeutic Connections, Meaningful, Emotional, Behavioral Services (MEBs), Cultivate Behavioral Health, NorthKey Community Care, Family Care Counseling Solutions, and the Children's Home of Northern Kentucky (CHNK) to provide school based therapy and associated mental health services for KCSD students in all of our schools during the 2024-2025 school year.

APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

01.1 - Legal Status of the Board

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

The KCSD would like to continue the successful partnership with Ellie Mental Health, Creative Theraputic Connections, MEBS, Cultivate, NorthKey, Family Care Counseling Solutions and CHNK for the 24-25 school year.

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of Kenton County School District (KCSD) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Ellie Mental Health, Creative Therapeutic Connections, Meaningful, Emotional, Behavioral Services (MEBs), Cultivate Behavioral Health, NorthKey Community Care, Family Care Counseling Solutions, and the Children's Home of Northern Kentucky (CHNK) to provide school based therapy and associated mental health services for KCSD students in all of our schools during the 2024-2025 school year.

CONTACT PERSON:

Karen Hendrix, Director of District Wide Programs/

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Principal –complete, print, sign and send to your Director. Director –if approved, sign and put in the Superintendent's mailbox.

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Agreement: Ellie Mental Health 2024-2025

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and **Ellie Mental Health** will have the following components:

- The goal is to facilitate the provision of school-based therapy and associated services to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify for services.
- 2. **Ellie Mental Health** will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide supports for students.
- 3. **Ellie Mental Health** will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 4. **Ellie Mental Health** will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, **Ellie Mental Health** agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCSD based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by **Ellie Mental Health** pursuant to this agreement.
- 5. **Ellie Mental Health** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
- 6. **Ellie Mental Health** will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
- 7. Ellie Mental Health will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
- 8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
 - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
 - Refer students for services using the Ellie Mental Health referral process.
 - Comply with FERPA standards.
 - · Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
- 10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by Ellie Mental Health
- 11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
- 12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

Karen Hendrix, Director of Districtwide Programs Kenton County School District	Date	
 Ellie Mental Health	 Date	
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Agreement: Creative Therapeutic Connections 2024-2025

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and *Creative Therapeutic Connections* will have the following components:

- The goal is to facilitate the provision of school-based therapy to students who are referred by the Kenton County School
 District or its agents and qualify for services.
- Creative Therapeutic Connections will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and
 consult and collaborate with school staff to provide supports for students.
- 3. **Creative Therapeutic Connections** will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 4. Creative Therapeutic Connections will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, Creative Therapeutic Connections agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCSD based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by Creative Therapeutic Connections pursuant to this agreement.
- 5. **Creative Therapeutic Connections** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
- Creative Therapeutic Connections will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
- 7. Creative Therapeutic Connections will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
- 8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
 - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
 - Refer students for services using the Creative Therapeutic Connections referral process.
 - Comply with FERPA standards.
 - Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
- 10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by **Creative Therapeutic Connections**
 - 11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
 - 12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

Karen Hendrix, Director of Districtwide Programs Kenton County School District	Date	
Creative Therapeutic Connections	Date	
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Memorandum of Understanding: MEBS 2024-2025

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and MEBs will have the following components:

- The goal is to facilitate the provision of mental health counseling for individuals or groups and/or mental health case management services to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify under services.
- MEBs therapists will provide intake and ongoing mental health counseling and/or mental health case management
 services for students in the school setting and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide supports for students.
- 3. MEBs therapists will be credentialed with their licensure boards and provide copies of licenses as requested.
- 4. MEBs will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of mental health professionals.
- 5. MEBs will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance MEBs agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCSD based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by MEBs related to the performance of services conducted by MEBs pursuant to this agreement.
- 6. MEBs will provide a list of therapists and/or other personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
- MEBs will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
- 8. MEBs will only provide services at schools assigned by the Kenton County School District.
- 9. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
 - Provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
 - Identify students for mental health counseling services.
 - Assign agencies to schools.

This agency is assigned to the following schools:

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- Comply with FERPA standards.
- Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns from providers
- 10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by MEBs as it's being funded by the GEERS grant through the FRYSCS.
- 11. The Memorandum of Agreement that MEBs provided will be considered an addendum to this MOU.
- 12. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
- 13. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

Karen Hendrix, Director of District Wide Programs		
Kenton County School District	Date	
MEBs	Date	



Agreement: Cultivate Behavioral Health 2024-2025

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and *Cultivate Behavioral Health* will have the following components:

- 1. The goal is to facilitate the provision of **school-based therapy and associated services** to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify for services.
- 2. **Cultivate Behavioral Health** will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide supports for students.
- 3. **Cultivate Behavioral Health** will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 4. **Cultivate Behavioral Health** will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, **Cultivate Behavioral Health** agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCSD based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by **Cultivate Behavioral Health** pursuant to this agreement.
- 5. **Cultivate Behavioral Health** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
- Cultivate Behavioral Health will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
- 7. **Cultivate Behavioral Health** will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
- 8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
 - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
 - Refer students for services using the Cultivate Behavioral Health referral process.
 - Comply with FERPA standards.
 - Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
- 10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by **Cultivate Behavioral Health**
- 11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
- 12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

Karen Hendrix, Director of Districtwide Programs Kenton County School District	Date
Cultivate Behavioral Health	Date
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Agreement: NorthKey 2024-2025

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and **NorthKey** will have the following components:

- 1. The goal is to facilitate the provision of **school-based therapy and associated services** to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify for services.
- 2. **NorthKey** will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide supports for students.
- 3. **NorthKey** will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 4. NorthKey will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, NorthKey agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCSD based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by NorthKey pursuant to this agreement.
- 5. **NorthKey** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
- 6. **NorthKey** will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
- 7. NorthKey will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
- 8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
 - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
 - Refer students for services using the NorthKey referral process.
 - Comply with FERPA standards.
 - · Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
- 10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by NorthKey
- 11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
- 12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

Karen Hendrix, Director of District Wide Programs Kenton County School District	Date
 NorthKey	Date
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Agreement: Family Care Counseling Solutions 2024-2025

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and *Family Care Counseling Solutions* will have the following components:

- The goal is to facilitate the provision of school based therapy and associated services to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify for services.
- 2. **Family Care Counseling Solutions** will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide supports for students.
- Family Care Counseling Solutions will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations
 governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 4. **Family Care Counseling Solutions** will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, **Family Care Counseling Solutions** agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCSD based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by **Family Care Counseling Solutions** pursuant to this agreement.
- 5. **Family Care Counseling Solutions** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
- 6. **Family Care Counseling Solutions** will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
- 7. Family Care Counseling Solutions will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
- 8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
 - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
 - Refer students for services using the Family Care Counseling Solutions referral process.
 - Comply with FERPA standards.
 - Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
- 10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by **Family Care Counseling Solutions**
 - 11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
 - 12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

Karen Hendrix,, Director of Districtwide Programs Kenton County School District	Date	
Family Care Counseling Solutions	 Date	
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The Kenton County School District Agreement: CHNK Behavioral Health 2024-2025

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and **CHNK Behavioral Health** will have the following components:

- 1. The goal is to facilitate the provision of **school-based therapy and associated services** to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify for services.
- 2. **CHNK Behavioral Health** will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide support for students.
- 3. **CHNK Behavioral Health** will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 4. **CHNK Behavioral Health** will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, **CHNK Behavioral Health** agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCSD based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by **CHNK Behavioral Health** pursuant to this agreement.
- 5. **CHNK Behavioral Health** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
- 6. **CHNK Behavioral Health** will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
- 7. **CHNK Behavioral Health** will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
- 8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
 - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
 - Refer students for services using the CHNK Behavioral Health referral process.
 - Comply with FERPA standards.
 - Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
- 10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by **CHNK Behavioral Health**
- 11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
- 12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

Karen Hendrix, Director of Districtwide Programs Kenton County School District	Date
CHNK Behavioral Health	Date
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