

**N.H. Families and Systems Together (FAST) Forward for Children and Youth 2020**  
**Systems of Care (SOC)**

NH Families and Systems Together Forward for Children and Youth 2020 will support the expansion and sustainability of state level system of care (SOC) for children, youth, and their families. The resulting infrastructure will expand the array of supports for children/youth with a diagnosable serious emotional disturbance (SED) who are involved with two or more systems and who are at-risk for out-of-home placement.

NH FAST Forward 2020 will serve children and youth aged 0-21 with an emotional, socio-emotional, behavioral or mental health disorder diagnosable under the DSMV who meet the criteria for SED and their families. It is expected to improve clinical outcomes and functioning in home, school, and community for NH's youth by creating regional systems of care, building strong collaboration between schools, families, and youth, and community-based behavioral health providers, and using evidence-based frameworks to deliver high quality supports and services

The project is aimed at: creating Regional Systems of Care collaborative teams in three regions of the state, the North Country, the Lakes Region and the Claremont area; providing individualized wraparound planning and an expanded array of services to the highest need children and youth with behavioral health challenges; involving families and youth in all aspects of service delivery and support; improve the transition from pre-school to kindergarten and first grade for young children; improving the educational and social/emotional outcomes for children and youth; and ensuring that systems, supports, and policies are aligned with National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services in Health and Health Care.

New Hampshire FAST Forward 2020 will be administered through the Office of Student Wellness in partnership with the following school districts: Franklin, Winnisquam Regional, Laconia, Berlin, White Mountains Regional, SAU 7 and Claremont.

The Office of Student Wellness works in collaboration with local communities, school districts, and individuals, to support students as they become fully productive members of society. Efforts are focused on several key areas, including early childhood social and emotional learning and development, prevention, safety, and support for mental, emotional, and behavioral health. For more information, please visit [www.NHStudentWellness](http://www.NHStudentWellness).

Total Award to Berlin School District over 4 years:       \$ 456,884.00

Year 1 = \$109,721.00      Year 2 = \$111,876 .00      Year 3= \$116.016.00      Year 4 = \$119,271.00