

# Behavioral Health Partnerships for Children and Adolescents During the Pandemic

## Webinar

Date: October 21st, 2022 - 1:00p.m. ET

October represents a time of year when academic demands increase stress levels for children and adolescents. Given the impact of the pandemic on the health of kids, with increases in youth experiencing persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness since the pandemic, the Institute for Medicaid Innovation (IMI) hosted a webinar to explore the critical role of community partnerships in Medicaid to improve access to behavioral health services for children and adolescents.

Co-moderators, Sandra Hassink, MD, MS, FAAP and Ann Giazzoni, MSW, LCSW, MBA, engaged an esteemed panel of experts to explore the answers to the question: “How can community partners connect hands and hearts to meet the behavioral health needs of kids?”

### Panel

#### *Co-Moderators:*

**Ann Giazzoni, MSW, LCSW, MBA (she/her)**, Co-Chair, Subcommittee on Behavioral Health Senior Program Manager, PH-BH Integration, UPMC for You, Inc.

**Sandra Hassink, MD, MS, FAAP (she/her)**, Chair, IMI Child and Adolescent Health Subcommittee Medical Director, American Academy of Pediatrics Institute for Healthy Childhood Weight

#### *Panelists:*

**Jonathan Del Toro (he/him)**, Behavioral Health Community Navigator, Camarena Health

**Jeannine McMillan, MEd (she/her)**, Executive Director, 1889 Jefferson Center for Population Health

**Rosalba Serrano-Rivera (she/her)**, Director of Behavioral Health, Camarena Health

**Don Trotz, MEd, T.C (he/him)**, Guidance Counselor, Greater Johnstown School District, Johnstown, Pennsylvania

**Shealeigh Wallace (she/her)**, HUB Certified Community Health Worker, Community Action Partnership of Cambria County

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