MEMBER MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

West Virginia’s Expanded School Mental Health Steering Team

Our Mission: To develop and strengthen policies, practices and services that promote learning and social-emotional well-being for all of West Virginia’s youth through a collaborative process that engages schools, families, and community based agencies.

Agreements:

By signing this Memorandum of Agreement, members affirm their commitment to fully participate in the shared efforts of the ESMH Steering Team. Members agree to:
1. Support the mission, goals, values and principles, and operating guidelines established by the Steering Team;
2. Actively participate in attainment of Work Plan goals by attending regular meetings, participating in at least one work team, and completing assignments in a timely manner;
3. Advocate for and promote ESMH across systems;
4. Make recommendations in regard to funding, policy, practices, training, services, family involvement and quality improvement for school mental health, based on data and best practices;
5. Provide technical assistance, consultation and direct linkage to resources;
6. Foster effective communication, collaboration and coordination between members and with state/local schools and community agencies;
7. Provide regular updates to steering team regarding efforts to enhance WV ESMH in one’s respective area of responsibility;
8. Maintain confidentiality in regards to discussions of individuals and agency information that may be considered sensitive, as well as any unofficial data or draft documents that have not been released to the public;
9. Facilitate consistent integration and decision-making across bureaus, divisions, and child serving systems; and
10. Strengthen relationships that will support the integration of System of Care Principles with ESMH.

General Provisions:

1. This MOA is effective as long as membership is maintained on the ESMH Steering Team or until the MOA is amended and signed by all parties.

2. If any part of this MOA is contrary to any federal, state or local law, it would then be considered not applicable and valid.

Member Signatures: ___________________ Date: ___________________

ADOPTED: MARCH 5, 2014