Atlanta School-Based Behavioral Health Forum
Supporting Children’s Mental and Emotional Well-Being

April 15, 2019
The Carter Center
Cecil B. Day Chapel
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

9:30 a.m.        REGISTRATION

10:00 a.m.   OPENING REMARKS

   Eve Byrd, D.N.P., M.P.H., Director, The Carter Center Mental Health Program

10:05 a.m.   PARENT REMARKS

   Kimesha Wince

10:10 a.m.     WELCOME

   Curtis L. Jones, Ed.D., Superintendent, Bibb County School District
   2019 National Superintendent of the Year

10:30 a.m.   PANEL I: OVERVIEW OF SCHOOL BASED-BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
   Defining school-based behavioral health and the status in Georgia

   Panelists –
   Dimple Desai, M.S.W., Research Associate, Center of Excellence for Children’s Behavioral Health
   Erica Fener-Sitkoff, Ph.D., Executive Director, Voices for Georgia’s Children
   Veda Johnson, M.D., FAAP., Marcus Professor in General Academics and Pediatrics, Emory University School of Medicine
   Director, PARTNERS for Equity in Child and Adolescent Health, Department of Pediatrics, Emory University

11:15 a.m.   PANEL II: SCHOOL CLIMATE AS A FOUNDATION
   How to create a community that fosters well-being through school-based behavioral health interventions and best practices
Moderator –
Talley Wells, J.D., M.Ed., Executive Director, Georgia Appleseed Center for Law and Justice

Panelists –
Cheryl Galloway-Benefield, Ed.S., M.Ed., Program Manager, Georgia Department of Education
Maribel Bell, Ed.S., Director of Student Discipline (PBIS), Fulton County Schools
The Honorable Steven C. Teske, J.D., Chief Judge, Juvenile Court of Clayton County

12:00 p.m.  LUNCH & KEYNOTE: THE GEORGIA COMMITMENT TO SCHOOL-BASED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Danté McKay, J.D., M.P.A., Director, Office of Children, Young Adults & Families, Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

1:00 p.m.  PANEL III: OVERCOMING LIABILITY AND FUNDING BARRIERS
Identifying barriers and a path forward to improve school-based behavioral health

Moderator –
Michael Waller, J.D., M.T.S., M.A., Director of Projects, Georgia Appleseed Center for Law and Justice

Video –
Neeru “Nina” Gupta, J.D., Partner, Nelson Mullins

Panelists –
Cindy Simpson, M.A., Ed.S., Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Chris180
Chad Jones, Director for Community and Prevention Services, View Point Health
Yuki Reese, M.S.W., L.C.S.W., Apex Program Manager, View Point Health

2:45 p.m.  PARENT REMARKS

David Mayo

2:50 –3:00 p.m.  ADJOURN

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