

## Background for Teachers

We need your help. To reimburse schools for behavioral health services through the California Department of Health Care Services' (DHCS) Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative ([CYBHI Fee Schedule program](#)), parents must update their child's health insurance information and sign a consent form. As trusted messengers, teachers are well-positioned to spread the word.

Please consider sharing the following script with your students' parents during parent/teacher conferences:

## Sample Script for Teachers to Parents

We're pleased to share with you that our school is taking part in a new statewide program that helps schools maintain and expand behavioral health services and support for students. Through this program, public schools can access sustainable funding for the **mental health and substance use support** we provide to students.

### Here is what you need to know:

- » It's free for families. You'll never get a bill.
- » It doesn't affect your child's health insurance.
- » It helps our school continue wellness programs for all students
- » Your child's information is safe and only used for billing.

### To help our school participate, we just need two things from you:

- 1) Update your health insurance information
- 2) Sign the consent form, available in the back.

You can fill out the consent form tonight or take it home, fill it out, and have your child return it later this week. Thank you for supporting student wellness.