### School Health Services

### 20 years of caring for kids in school

### **Vision Statement**

To be a national leader and strategic school partner focused on improving child health and academic outcomes by integrating comprehensive and equitable care to meet the needs of the whole child, family and school community.

# An intervention in health equity.



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### **School Nursing Services**

Integrated school partner providing the daily nursing needs of students including injuries, illnesses, medication management, chronic disease management, screenings, student health education and immunization compliance.

44 School Districts
In 11 Counties
Serving 97,514 Students
92% Back to Class Rate

### **Immunization Team**

The national back to class is 89.3%.

Traveling nurse led team that administers recommended childhood immunizations and yearly seasonal flu vaccines in school during the school day.

**Available in all Schools** where Akron Children's provides school nursing or school based health services.

2024-2025 school year
2995 vaccines administered
Including 1840 Flu Vaccines

**School Based Health Center** 

19 School Districts

In 12 counties

10 Medical Providers

# 1433 In-School Well visits completed (2024-2025)

In school Nurse Practitioner led team providing comprehensive primary care services including, well care, immunizations, acute illness treatment, and chronic disease management. A whole child framework.

- Daily in person care at designated schools and telehealth services to all other SBHC schools using Tytocare.
- Point of Care Labs: on site lab collection and processing. Send out labs also available.
- Wrap Around Services: working collaboratively with school nursing and school partners to improve the continuum of care.
- Care Coordination: reducing the barriers to care by improving access to care, reducing no show rates and specialty care referrals and the utilization of community health care workers.
- School Based Asthma Treatment Program: supporting students with asthma in receiving controller medication at school and additional support.
- Youth Advisory Council: student workgroup to have a voice related to health and health promotion.
- Collaboration with Akron
   Children's Pediatrics, Specialists
   and other local Pediatricians.



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#### 2005

School Health began at Akron Children's with 5 school districts.

#### 2022

ODH Awarded a \$3.9 million SBHC expansion grant.

Akron Children's understands the impact of providing SBH services even WITHOUT grant funding.

School Based Health Center (SBHC) began with donor funds

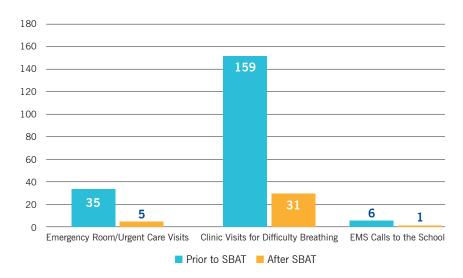
2019

ODH Awarded a \$1 million continuation grant and \$750,000 Appalachia Grant

2024

#### **SBAT Outcomes**

- Administering a controller inhaler in school resulted in a positive decrease of the following metrics
- Metrics follow one year prior to the program and one year post program



Right now, Akron Children's navigates and fully funds the School Health program. Which runs annually around a \$2.5M loss with grants and funding.

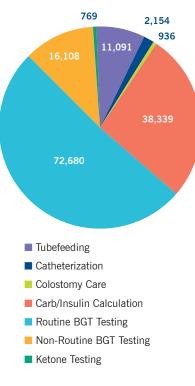
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**Be an advocate** - talk to leaders and decision makers federally and at the state level as why this program matters.

**Partner with us** - Akron Children's is looking for community champions and collaborators to help us sustain this work.

**Share your story** - Has this program impacted you? We're collecting stories that show how essential this program is.

### School Nursing Interventions 2023-2024







Helping students stay in school, healthy and ready to learn.

