

**EMAIL SUBJECT:**

Opportunity for Family and Youth Engagement in COVID Impact Study

**EMAIL BODY:**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_ **org name or contact person** \_\_\_\_\_

We are reaching out to inform \_\_\_\_\_ **ORG** \_\_\_\_\_ and the families you support about an opportunity for families to share their experiences with Massachusetts policy makers around access to mental/ behavioral health care during the COVID-19 pandemic. We're asking for your help spreading this survey and promoting family participation. This will inform recommendations given directly to legislators.

COVID-19 left many families scrambling for support. The difficulties accessing behavioral health care that existed prior to the pandemic were exacerbated, and communities of color were disproportionately impacted. Massachusetts legislators and policy makers want to hear families' experiences and recommendations around access to mental/ behavioral health care support.

The Children's Behavioral Health Advisory Council, with the help of the Children's Mental Health Campaign, are conducting a study in order to understand the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on access to mental health services for children and families in the Massachusetts communities most impacted by the pandemic. We are looking to reflect the experience of youth under the age of 22.

Please follow the links below to access the survey as well as the project website:

**English:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScOSOD7uvDmf2QgiYzFi8dT14nuN8Gk6JDG62\\_ofx7vTvgXFg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScOSOD7uvDmf2QgiYzFi8dT14nuN8Gk6JDG62_ofx7vTvgXFg/viewform)

**Spanish:**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf100OTIraeNxs8Vq9ZWU2Sd4ls3di7YwQolwMHXMsFxBaqOw/viewform>

**Portuguese:** [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfwnfa0l6ZszTyQgV\\_paLXnzTfd519-wz8QzJA0Yiem82t88Q/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfwnfa0l6ZszTyQgV_paLXnzTfd519-wz8QzJA0Yiem82t88Q/viewform)

**Arabic:** <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScnbCzUZc9Fg3upQmvZLYzyjzts7fA2vj2O-jx75-9riAfaw/viewform>

**Haitian Creole:** <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeYEWdIcoOBxoo5L1iwOpJc-jgaCDDDHzykWxYAR5MSs36HJA/viewform>

**Youth (English):** <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe-1h-RJSaQCAvFAzN5JIYUvzxGMA6FgA1j7buWjrPLYp8plg/viewform>

**Project Website:**

[www.childrensmentalhealthcampaign.org/childrens-behavioral-health-covid-19-study/](http://www.childrensmentalhealthcampaign.org/childrens-behavioral-health-covid-19-study/)

We value the work \_\_\_\_\_ORG\_\_\_\_\_ does and we hope this opportunity is valuable for families. Through the recommendations we will receive from families, we hope to make mental/ behavioral health care accessible and equitable to all.

Thank you,

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