

NATIONAL/STATE AFFILIATION AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 20___, by and between National Assembly on School-Based Health Care, a non-profit corporation, hereinafter referred to as NASBHC, and _____, a non-profit corporation, hereinafter referred to as State Association.

The principal purpose of this agreement is to create a formal relationship between NASBHC and State Association which reflects the desire of both parties to build a strong national organization with a network of strong State Associations representing and working on behalf of children, adolescents, their families and school-based health care.

Core Values and Principles:

The State Association agrees to share in NASBHC's Board-approved vision that *all children and adolescents are healthy and achieving at their fullest potential.*

The State Association agrees to share in NASBHC's Board-approved mission: *To improve the health status of children and youth by advancing and advocating for school-based health care.*

The State Association agrees to share in NASBHC's Board-approved core values as follows:

- *Children and adolescents need high quality, accessible, culturally competent, comprehensive health care.*
- *The school setting is a sensible and appropriate place to deliver health care because that is where the students are.*
- *Ideally, the full scope of services is provided directly in a school-based health center; alternative models may be dictated by resources and the needs of the community.*
- *School-based health centers reduce health inequities and improve health outcomes for underserved youth.*
- *School-based health centers should be fairly reimbursed for the high-quality health services they provide.*

NASBHC and State Association agree to assist each other in building a comprehensive coalition and a grassroots movement to advance a federal policy agenda supportive of school-based and school-linked health services, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

Obligations of NASBHC

1. NASBHC will develop a draft written federal policy agenda to include a budget and budget narrative, seek comments on the agenda from State Association, obtain approval of the revised agenda from the NASBHC Board of Directors, and publish and send an approved agenda to State Association prior to the opening of each Congress.
2. NASBHC will, in a good faith effort, regularly communicate with State Association on progress made toward achieving the approved federal policy agenda and guide the State Association on shared strategy for federal policy.
3. NASBHC will, in a good-faith effort, regularly communicate with State Association to support the State Association's state policy agenda and provide State Association with policy and legislative assistance.
4. NASBHC will recognize only one State Association per state. State Association will be the sole affiliate for the state of _____.
5. NASBHC will, in a good-faith effort, assist State Association with technical assistance and training needs. NASBHC will also continue to maintain, develop, and share information and other resources through its Website: www.nasbhc.org

Obligations of State Association

1. State Association will, in a good faith effort, provide input on NASBHC's draft written federal policy agenda and will actively participate in implementation of that agenda.
2. State Association, in a good-faith effort, will designate a person to be NASBHC's point of contact on all policy-related issues. The designated person will respond in a timely way to NASBHC's requests for state-level information, or for contact with the state's congressional delegation/or other federal government official as needed to carry out the federal policy agenda.
3. State Association is responsible for initiating, maintaining and updating a grassroots advocacy network within its state to respond to NASBHC's "action alerts".
4. State Association will maintain and renew organizational membership with NASBHC annually.
5. State Association, in a good faith effort, will regularly communicate with NASBHC about its state policy agenda and on progress made toward achieving that state policy agenda.

Further Obligations of the Parties

1. Each party agrees to share relevant information that will assist the parties in implementing this Agreement.
2. Each party agrees to be represented in the implementation of this Agreement by a committee of the NASBHC Board of Directors. The committee will be made up of four persons appointed by the NASBHC Board of Directors and four persons elected by the collective State Associations. The election of State Association representatives to the committee will take place annually at the State Association meeting held each year during the National Convention on School-Based Health Care. Nominations for representatives will be made from the floor. Each State Association present at the meeting will have one vote in the election of each of the four representatives.

The role of the committee is to recommend and develop joint national-state projects, programs or initiatives to the parties that may include:

- a. Joint fundraising
- b. Joint membership recruitment, dues sharing, and database development
- c. Joint development of criteria for becoming a charter state/regional association of NASBHC

Executive Director, National Assembly on School-Based Health Care

Date

Board Chair, National Assembly on School-Based Health Care

Date

Executive Director, State Association

Date

Board Chair, State Association

Date

This agreement becomes effective on (date) , and remains in effect unless modified through an addendum signed by both parties, or terminated by one party sending the other a written notice of termination by certified mail which becomes effective thirty (30) days after the postmark date.