

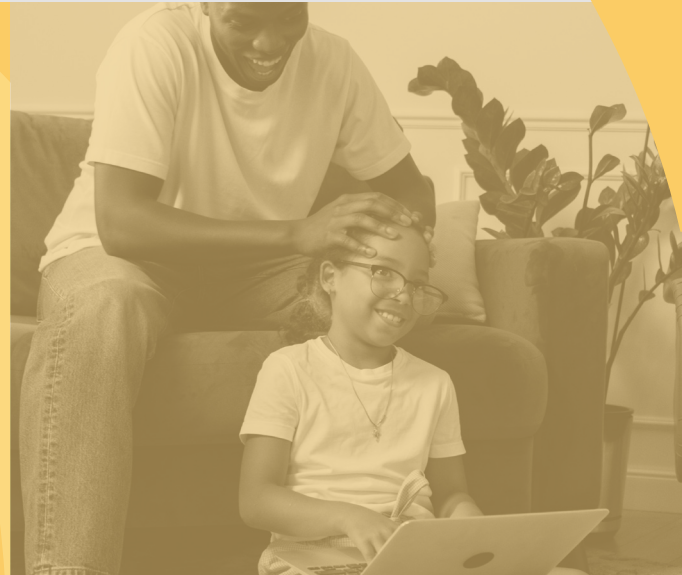
# Mental Health Bridge

## Bridging the Gap for Mental Health Access

for Children of ODJFS-Licensed Child Care Facilities

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Established in 2022, Ohio Mental Health Bridge is a new program aimed at expanding access to mental health services for children in Ohio child care centers licensed by ODJFS. The program offers an online referral tool that assists in setting up ongoing mental health services for children delivered by mental health agencies located in their community. Services may include office-based therapy, home-based treatment, virtual mental health visits, and more. Ohio's Mental Health Bridge will build upon and supplement other state government investments in early childhood mental health.



### A NETWORK OF TRUSTED EXPERTS

Participating mental health providers are OhioMHAS certified, nationally accredited community mental health agencies with specialization in child and family mental health. Provider specialists possess various credentials and certifications including: Ohio Infant Mental Health Credential and Ohio Early Childhood Mental Health Credential, Parent Child Interaction Therapy, EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing), TF-CBT (Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy), and NMT (Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics). Participating providers are clinically integrated within the Child and Family Health Collaborative of Ohio.



### HOW TO ACCESS SERVICES

Ohio Mental Health Bridge is currently in pilot phase as of May 2022. Participating child care centers may be viewed on our website ([ohiochildrensalliance.org/mhbridge](https://ohiochildrensalliance.org/mhbridge)). Parents of children enrolled in participating child care centers should contact the child care center to make a referral.

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