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NCSS provides comprehensive and accessible support to the K-12 school safety community nationwide to address today's school safety challenges. NCSS also serves as the national training and technical assistance provider for the STOP School Violence Program.



National Center for School Safety Description



Training

Creating quality, evidence based training materials that are publicly accessible to school staff & community partners.



Technical Assistance

Assisting STOP grantees across the nation in implementing the school safety measures that they were funded to create in their schools.



Tasks & Responsibilities

Working alongside school safety topic experts, my role was focused on development of a number of training toolkits centered around improving mental health crisis response in schools.



Toolkits Created

Toolkit 1:

Crisis Response Asset Mapping Toolkit

Toolkit 2:

Best Practices for Crisis Response with Students with Developmental Disabilities Toolkit

Toolkit 3:

School Resource Officer & Mental Health Clinician Co-Response Toolkit



Landscape Analysis

Product Draft Topic Expert Feedback Product Revisions

Note: Following my time, these products will be sent to additional external reviewers for further feedback, followed by the NCSS communications team for branding revisions, before finally being sent to the Bureau of Justice Assistance for final approval.





Product Reach:

Following approval by the BJA, these products will be:

-Distributed to NCSS's 7,000+ newsletter subscribers

-Accessible to thousands of NCSS website viewers

-Disseminated via SchoolSafety.gov





Areas of Growth & Development:

- Improved knowledge of school safety principles

-Strengthened ability to write for nonacademic audiences

-Brought my backgrounds in psychology, social work, and public health together at the intersection of crisis response



Future Directions

Following this internship, I plan to...

Continue exploring multidisciplinary spaces where I can use both my training in social work and my training in public health.

Take these principles of school safety and their impact on student holistic wellbeing with me as I continue exploring collegiate wellbeing.

Incorporate the collaborative and supportive culture of NCSS into future spaces and systems I have the opportunity to work within.

Thank you!

- Injury Prevention Center
- National Center for School Safety
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