Purpose: There is a public health crisis in children’s mental health. National leaders in children’s services research, policy and practice were invited by the organizers to meet at their own expense for a day and a half to develop an action agenda to address the crisis. The agenda will provide practical suggestions for reconfiguring the public mental health system for children and families. Workgroups have been meeting for the past 9 months to develop papers that outline the key components of a reconfigured system. In this meeting participants will review all of the papers and working in small groups, formulate specific changes and recommendations at multiple levels (i.e., policy, fiscal, research, training, licensure) to improve the quality of services and the quality of the structure of service delivery for children. The product from the meeting will be a series of papers outlining changes needed at research, policy, and practice levels to reconfigure the children’s mental health system. The papers will be published and widely distributed in a special issue of Administration and Policy in Mental Health and Mental Health Services Research. The group will consider additional actions it could take in the future.

Tuesday, September 22

6:00 - 7:30 PM  Informal reception (location: Wyatt Center Lobby, Peabody College)
Hosted by Peabody College, Vanderbilt University
Invited guests include clinical psychology faculty from Peabody College, and CEPI Research Associates

7:30 – 9:00 PM  Dinner (location: Room 223, Wyatt Center, Peabody College)
Hosted by Vanderbilt and Columbia Universities
For conference participants only and CEPI Research Associates

DAY ONE: Wednesday, September 23

(location: Peabody Commons MPR 237; projector & screen available)

8:00 – 8:20 AM  Welcome, Introductions; Review of Purpose of the Meeting
Len Bickman & Kimberly Hoagwood

8:20 – 3:00 PM  Brief presentations of the 8 papers
Each paper will have 40 minutes total for presentation of key points and discussion.

10 minutes: Writing Team Leader presentation
30 minutes: Led by Discussion Leader - Large group discussion of 3-5 questions to consider about the paper and the presentation.

8:20 - 9:00 AM  Change What? Critically Examining the ‘Status Quo’ in Children’s Mental Health Care
Ann Garland, Len Bickman, Bruce Chorpita
Discussion Leader: Krista Kutash

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| 9:00 - 9:40 AM  | Strategies to Provide Evidence-based Programs to Improve the Mental Health of Children Involved in Non-Specialty Sectors: A Modest Proposal for Child Welfare  
|                 | Patti Chamberlain, Sally Horwitz, John Landsverk, Heather Ringeisen, Charlotte Mullican (Advisor), Abel Ortiz (Advisor)  
|                 | **Discussion Leader:** Bruce Chorpita                                    |
| 9:40 - 9:55 AM  | Break                                                                   |
| 9:55 - 10:35 AM | A Public Health Approach for Children's Mental Health Service:  
|                 | Incorporation with School Reform  
|                 | Marc Atkins, Kimberly Hoagwood, Krista Kutash, Ed Seidman  
|                 | **Discussion Leader:** Patti Chamberlain                                  |
| 10:35 - 11:15 AM| Stigma in Children’s Mental Health Services Research: Understanding Professional and Institutional Stigmatization of Children and Mental Health Problems and Their Families  
|                 | Craig Anne Heflinger, Steve Hinshaw  
|                 | **Discussion Leader:** Sonja Schoenwald                                      |
| 11:15 - 11:55 AM| One Size Does Not Fit All: Taking Diversity, Culture and Context Seriously  
|                 | Maggie Alegria, Marc Atkins, Betsy Farmer, Elaine Slaton, Wayne Stelk  
|                 | **Discussion Leader:** Ann Garland                                            |
| 11:55 - 12:40 PM| Lunch (location: Commons Dining Hall, Peabody College)  
|                 | Informal Discussion Topic led by Marc Atkins: War’s Silent Stress: Healing the Military Family |
| 12:40 - 1:00 PM | Call In from our nation’s capitol                                        |
| 1:00 - 1:40 PM  | Advancing Children’s Mental Health: Structures, Incentives and Paradigms to Close the Research to Practice Gap  
|                 | Kelly Kelleher, Marc Atkins, Mike Foster, Peter Jensen  
|                 | **Discussion Leader:** Arlene Stiffman                                       |
| 1:40 - 2:20 PM  | Workforce Development and the Organization of Work: The Science We Need  
|                 | Marc Atkins, Mary Evans, Kim Hoagwood, Heather Ringeisen, Sonja Schoenwald  
|                 | **Discussion Leader:** Tom Sexton                                             |
| 2:20 - 3:00 PM  | Back to the Basics: Paradigm Shifts for Child-Adolescent Mental Health Services  
|                 | Arlene Stiffman, Wayne Stelk, Tom Sexton  
|                 | **Discussion Leader:** Mary Evans                                               |
| 3:00 - 3:15 PM  | Break                                                                   |
| 3:15 - 4:45 PM  | Breakout for Paper Revisions – Assemble as Writing Teams (8 groups) to consider incorporating ideas from the morning discussions. Participants not on a writing team may choose a team to join for the afternoon discussion. Paper authorship should follow APA guidelines. |

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4:45 – 5:45 PM  Group Brainstorming on Action- Following the Rules of Brainstorming, ideas for action will be recorded to form the basis of Thursday’s discussion.

5:45 - 8:30 PM  Dinner (group transportation to Loveless Café leaves the Commons Center at 6:00) Hosted by Vanderbilt and Columbia Universities

8:30 – 9:30 PM  Group Leader Meeting – Conference Room PAB318; Peabody Administration Building / or Bickman Residence

**Group Leaders:** Maggie Alegria, Marc Atkins, Darcy Gruttadaro, Sally Horwitz, John Landsverk, Bill Reay, Ed Seidman, Beth Stroul

Len and Kimberly meet with Group Leaders to review Action Ideas for Day Two.

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**DAY TWO: Thursday, September 24**

(location: Peabody Commons MPR 237; projector & screen available)

8:00 – 8:30 AM  Review of Action Points and Day Two Tasks

Len and Kimberly

8:30 – 10:30 AM  Breakout Action Agenda Discussions

Led by **Group Leaders:** Maggie Alegria, Marc Atkins, Darcy Gruttadaro, Sally Horwitz, John Landsverk, Bill Reay, Ed Seidman, Beth Stroul

10:30-10:45 AM  Break

10:45-12:45  Action Agenda Reports

Led by **Group Leaders:** Group Leaders: Maggie Alegria, Marc Atkins, Darcy Gruttadaro, Sally Horwitz, John Landsverk, Bill Reay, Ed Seidman, Beth Stroul

12:45 – 1:00 PM  Final Paper Timeline & Wrap-Up

Len and Kimberly

1:00 PM  Lunch and informal discussions for those who can stay

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