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Introduction to Community Violence Prevention and Intervention: Strategies and TA Center Resources for OST Professionals

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21st CCLC NTAC Vision and Mission



Vision

All Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers SEA Coordinators and professionals obtain the knowledge and skills to implement programs that engage and empower students and their families to build lasting success as lifelong learners.

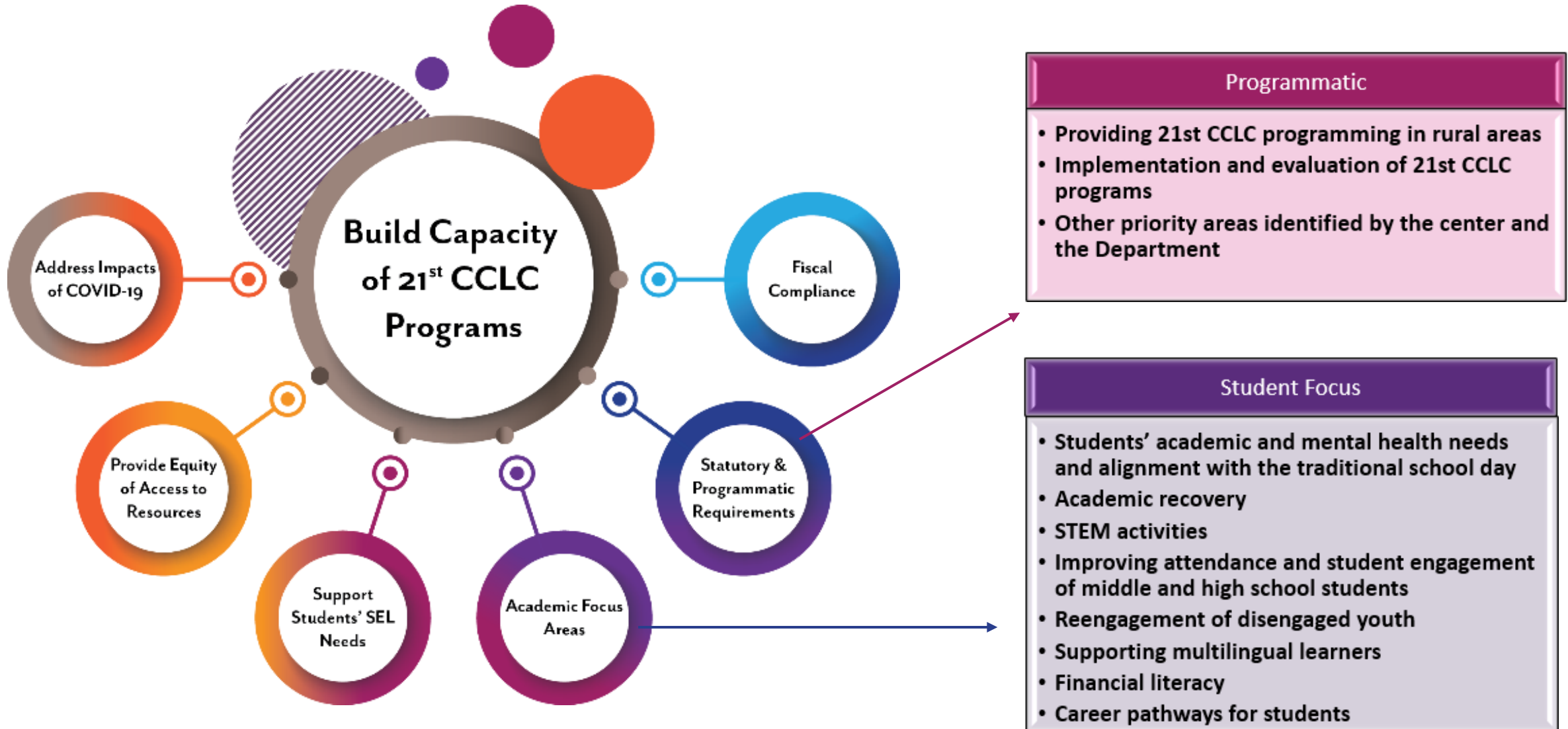


Mission

The 21st CCLC National Technical Assistance Center provides best practices, evidence-based resources, and professional learning opportunities to build the capacity of 21st CCLC stakeholders to support underserved youth and their families.



21st CCLC NTAC Priorities




Community Violence Prevention and Intervention Six-Part Series



What is Community Violence?

- The physical, emotional, and financial pain from experiencing or witnessing violence affects individuals, their families, and communities.
- Homicides and other violent acts cause substantial harm in communities across the country, especially in racially segregated and high-poverty neighborhoods.





“How can you allow structural and systemic injustice to persist in our environments — robbing us of our peers, exposing us to trauma, isolating us in fiscally deprived communities — and then suggest that interpersonal violence is a problem catalyzed by youths?”

– Youth Violence Prevention Center (YVPC)

Effect of Community Violence on Youth



2nd

cause of death for youth ages 10 to 24

2021 Data for High School Students

- 18% were involved in physical fight
- 15% were bullied in school
- 5% carried a firearm



Impact of Community Violence on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

Potentially traumatic events that occur in childhood (0-17 years):

- Experiencing violence, abuse, or neglect.
- Witnessing violence in the community due to drugs or gangs.
- Having a family member attempt or die by suicide.
- Experiencing a natural disaster.



The Power of OST!



- OST programs prevent community violence by engaging community members.
- OST programs can implement prevention programs.
- OST programs can support street outreach programs and activities, partner with schools to ensure students have safe routes to walk to and from school and provide supervision during critical times of the day.





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Guest Speakers

Five Preparedness Missions



an incident or emergency



Applying Community Violence Prevention Strategies in OST Programs

- Highlight the practical strategies and resources shared.
- Emphasize the role of SEAs, subgrantees, and OST professionals in applying these strategies.



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Call to Action

- Apply the strategies learned today in your OST program!
- Share your stories of success with us!
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