CT Kids Report Card Chronic Absenteeism *Strategic Action Group*

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Room 1E, Legislative Office Building

Welcome

- Welcome by Co-Chairs
- Introduction of Members

Background

- CT Kids Report Card Project
 - Legislation
 - Committee on Children and Working Group
 - Indicators
 - Website
- Project Structure
 - Leadership Committee
 - Strategic Action Groups
 - Chronic Absenteeism SAG

CT Kids Report Card

- RBA children's report card mandated by Public Act 11-109
- Tool to evaluate state's progress toward desired result for all children (stable, safe, healthy, successful)
- Simple (but not easy) way to strengthen accountability and collaboration
- As required, Committee on Children with help of broad-based working group identified initial primary and secondary indicators
- Building web-based report card (<u>www.ctkidsreportcard.org</u>)
- Creating structure to move from data to strategies and action

Report Card Project Structure



Vision for Chronic Absenteeism SAG

- Centralizing force for existing initiatives and promising new approaches to achieve measurably better results for children
- Statewide coordinating mechanism that promotes communication and coordination among critical partners involved in "turning the curve"

Chronic Absenteeism Data Overview

A closer look at Connecticut data

National Trends and Recommendations

A broader look at attendance issues and national recommendations

Facilitated Discussion

- 1. What is the story behind the data?
- 2. What successful efforts are you aware of that can assist in "turning the curve"?
- 3. What contribution can you/your organization make toward achieving better outcomes for our children?

Next Steps...