



January 18, 2022

Dear CSCT Districts:

As you are aware, the Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI), Department of Health & Human Services (DPHHS), and the Montana School Board Association have been working diligently to finalize the Memo of Understanding for the Comprehensive School and Community Treatment (CSCT) Intergovernmental Transfer program. Enclosed is the final version of the CSCT MOU which has two revisions from the November 2021 version. These changes include an MCA reference change in the first paragraph of the MOU as well as the inclusion of a double indemnification in Section 8.

As a reminder, for districts to process claims they will need to have the enclosed CSCT MOU Board approved and signed. As the bridge funding has been fully exhausted as of December 2021, districts must send the signed CSCT MOU to DPHHS on or before February 11, 2022, in order for DPHHS to release the federal portion of submitted January claims. Please send completed CSCT MOU to Christine White at [chwhite@mt.gov](mailto:chwhite@mt.gov).

OPI would like to thank you for your continued commitment in serving kids through mental health services. As it is the district's choice to participate in the CSCT program, OPI reminds districts there are various options for funding district match requirements for the CSCT program. OPI has provided [Accounting Guidance](#) outlining these options which also includes allowable uses of ESSER funding that can be used to directly fund CSCT services.

Please feel free to contact me with any CSCT MOU or process questions. I can be reached at (406) 444-4523 or [jphillips3@mt.gov](mailto:jphillips3@mt.gov).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jay Phillips".

Jay Phillips  
Chief Financial Officer  
Montana Office of Public Instruction