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Meeting the Challenges of Working Across Systems

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3 Key Points on Schools, Health Organizations & Partnerships

- Schools and health organizations share a commitment to children’s well-being.
- Schools and health organizations have different institutional structures and work under different political pressures.
- Partnerships aren’t easy -- Our experience is they take time but with regular meetings & personal commitments among at least a handful of partners they can do good things.
Why It’s Challenging
Two Systems with Different Drivers

- Entitlements
- Target populations
- Funding
- Accountability
Who Funds Public Schools?

Nearly 100% public dollars

- Federal Government - 9.1%
- State Government - 46.5%
- Local Government - 44.4%

Percentage of distribution of current expenditures for K-12 education

- Instruction and instruction related: 65.8%
- Operations: 18.0%
- Administration: 10.8%
- Student support services: 5.3%
Who Funds Health Care?

Private payers dominant - 60%

- Governments (federal, state, local)  40%
- Households                            31%
- Businesses                            25%
- Other private sponsors                4%

Source Health Affairs 2007
Who Funds Health Insurance for Kids under 18?

- Private health insurance: 54.2%
- Public health insurance only: 32.8%
- Uninsured: 13.0%

Finding Common Ground: Lessons from Caring Across Communities Partnerships

- History matters: Strongest partnerships have longest relationships
- Relationships matter: Ultimately it’s about the people
- Regular meetings are also a sure sign of partnerships;
- People move on; each partner rep needs to keep others involved
- Mutual respect is the glue that keeps partners together.
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