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DATE PROGRAM/

ALLIANCE BEGAN

Alliance was launched in
March 1, 2020

NEXT Memphis

Memphis, TN

SERVICE DELIVERY AREA

NEXT Memphis currently serves 24 Childcare Centers and 12 Family Day Homes in 25 different Zip Codes in Memphis, TN.

POPULATION SERVED

The centers and homes that participate in the NEXT Memphis Alliance include 106 classrooms with over 1418 students. A majority of the children served are from low-income families and approximately 69% are African American, 14% Caucasian, 4% other and 13% not reported.

SUMMARY OF APPROACH

NEXT Memphis is led by Porter-Leath, a multi-site ECE provider that currently operates 5 preschool and 5 EHS sites and also supports a Shared Service Alliance. NEXT Memphis enters into an annual contract agreement with each participating partner. In addition to staff focused on the Alliance, NEXT Memphis members receive support from many divisions of Porter Leath.

TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM(S) USED BY THE ALLIANCE

- ProCare
- Wonderschool

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Group Purchasing of goods and services
- IT support
- Enrollment
- Training
- Child and Classroom Assessment
- Accreditation/licensing/quality rating improvement supports
- Accounting & Financial Reporting
- Billing/Fee Collection
- Marketing
- Teacher coaching
- Human Resources

FUNDING

Funding source for Alliance startup: Foundation grants and state public funding

Funding source for ongoing Alliance implementation: Currently Foundation grants; plan to leverage public funding from the state.

Do Alliance members pay fees for services received? Yes—members pay a modest fee of \$250.00 per month.

Do membership fees cover Hub cost of services? No

IMPACT

In 2021-22 NEXT Memphis coaching staff supported 161 teachers through individualized coaching and training, Family Liaisons completed 1296 well-being assessments and made 231 referrals on behalf of families in need, the Educational Team completed 203 Education Assessments, and Care Coordinators served 49 families with extensive supported services including education, financial assistance, housing and other support services.