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Learning Outcomes

After viewing the presentation, the school nurse will be able to:

- > Identify sources of school health data
- > Recognize the vital importance and use of school health data
- Demonstrate each school nurse's responsibility to collect/disseminate data

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Evidence-Based Practice

School nurses need to demonstrate that their practice is based on the best evidence available, which is usually data obtained from research. Evidence-based practice involves combining the best evidence available with nursing expertise and patient and family preferences to determine optimum care. Evidence-based practice guidelines are developed by carefully reviewing the available evidence on a topic and synthesizing this information into recommendations for practice.

<u>Evidence-Based Practice and School Nursing</u>, Adams, Susan; McCarthy, Ann Marie, Journal of School Nursing, v21 n5 p258-265 2005

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WHY Collect Data?

- Data-driven society
- > SN: Population-based child health data
- > Target audiences: Stakeholders
- > The human interest: Tell a story!

Limitation: Data often raise more questions than answers

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Uses of School Health Data

- > Inform stakeholders (funding)
- > Monitor utilization
- > Develop policies
- > Relate health and educational achievement
- > Implement programs/allocate resources
- Monitor performance improvement/outcomes
- > Provide health indicator surveillance

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Methods of Data Collection

- > Electronic Health Record reports
 - Illness, injury, emotional health, 911 calls, medications administered, phone calls to parents, PCP, Return to Class rate, health, and dental insurance, etc.
- > State report submissions
- > asthma, immunization rates, Children with Special Health Care needs, etc.)

 IMPORTANT LINKS:
- > Surveys (Youth Risk Behavior)
- > National Data Sources
 - > (NASN, CDC, etc.)
- > VT School Nurse Report

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School-age Health Performance Scorecard

Child Care and Early Learning

Find Health Insurance

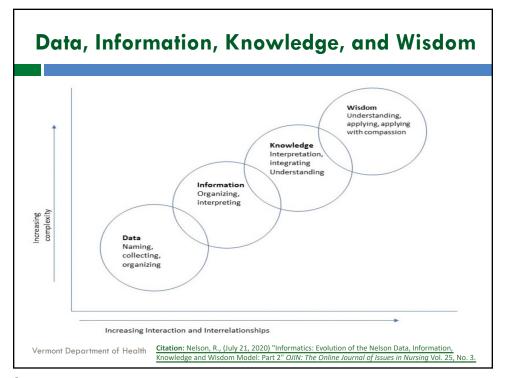
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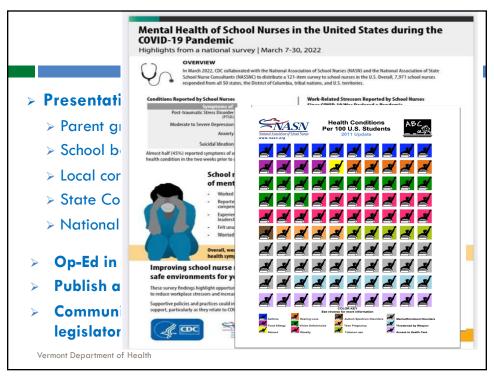
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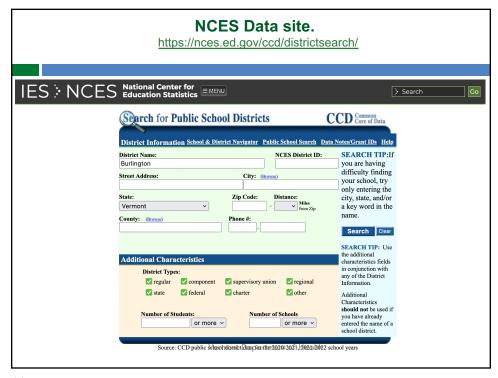
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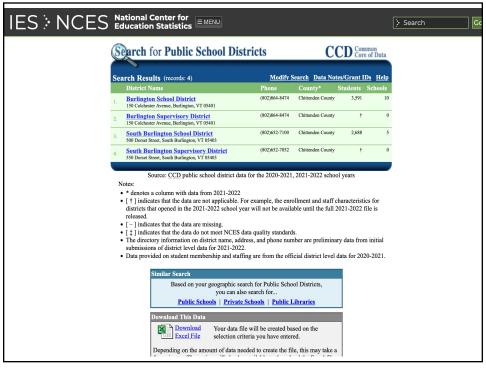
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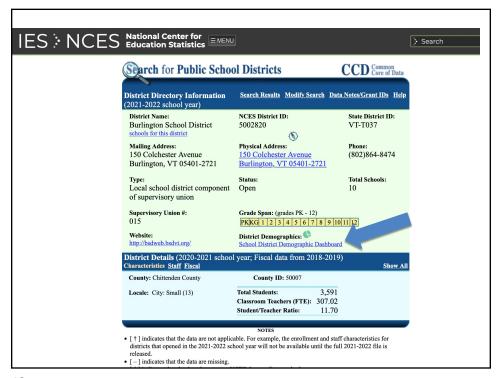
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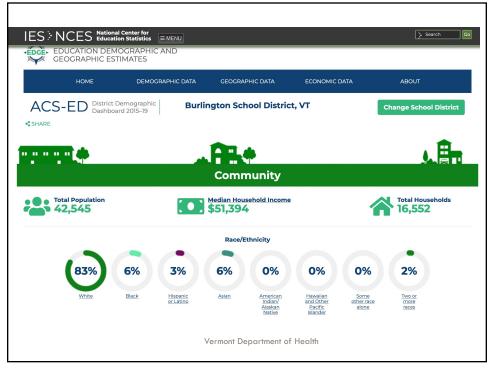


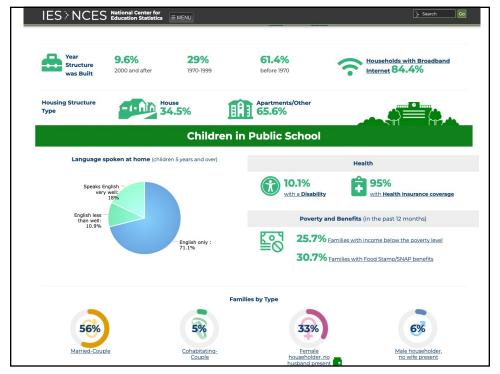


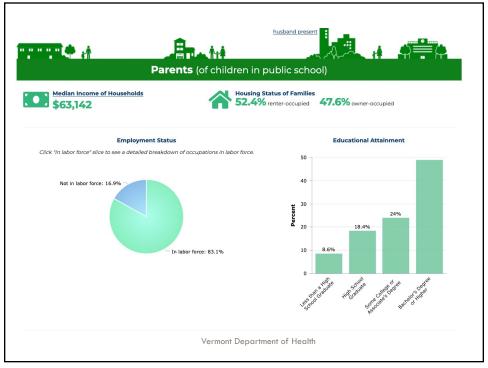


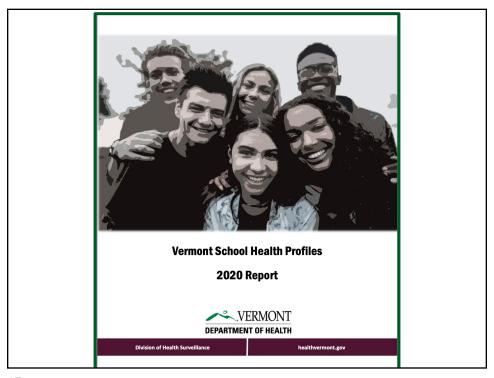














Registered Nurses on Staff

Overall, 77% of schools have a full-time registered nurse available to provide health services to students; three in ten (30%) have a part time registered nurse.

Having a full-time nurse has not significantly changed over the past ten years. High schools are significantly more likely than middle schools to have a full-time school nurse (100% vs 65%); middle schools are more likely to have part-time nurses (26% vs 37%).

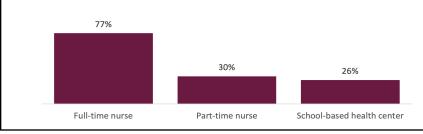
School-Based Health Centers

About two in ten Vermont schools (26%) have a school-based health center that offers health services to students.

Access to Insurance

Nearly three quarters (74%) of schools have protocols to ensure eligible students with chronic conditions are enrolled in private, state, or federally funded insurance programs.

SCHOOL HEALTH CENTERS AND STAFF

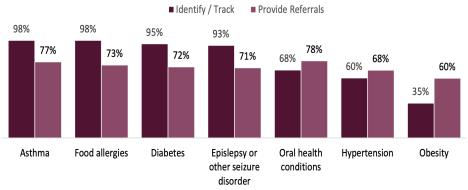


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More than nine in ten schools use school records to identify and track students with chronic conditions such as asthma (98%), food allergies (98%), diabetes (95%), and epilepsy or seizure disorders (93%) that may require daily or emergency management. Nearly two-thirds identify and track students with oral health conditions (e.g., abscess, tooth decay) (68%) or hypertension (60%). Overall, about seven in ten provide referrals to other health care providers or organizations for students diagnosed with or suspected to have these conditions (results shown below).

Fewer identify and track obese students (35%) or provide referrals for obese students to other health care providers (60%).

IDENTIFYING, TRACKING AND PROVIDING REFERRALS FOR CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS



Resources

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