



**PA Network for Student Assistance Services (PNSAS)**  
**Guidelines for Student Assistance Program (SAP)**  
**County Coordination Teams**

**Mission:**

The mission of SAP County Coordination Teams is to provide the leadership, planning and coordination necessary to implement effective SAP services at the county or county joiner level. Focus will be placed on the PNSAS design, which is to assist school personnel to identify issues, including alcohol, tobacco, other drugs, and mental health issues which pose a barrier to a student's success.

**Team Membership:**

Teams should be comprised of members who are representatives from the following:

County Mental Health/ Intellectual Disabilities  
Single County Authority (SCA)  
Children and Youth  
CASSP  
Schools and School Districts  
Intermediate Units  
PNSAS Regional Coordinator  
Mental Health and Drug and Alcohol Liaisons  
In School Service Providers/Agencies  
Commonwealth Approved SAP Trainer  
Parents  
Other Pertinent SAP Personnel (i.e. District Council Representatives, School-Based Probation)

**Goals:**

1. Promote communication, coordination and collaboration of SAP services among schools (public and nonpublic), agencies, community, parents and students.
2. Identify needs and gaps in SAP and SAP-related services in the county/county joiner and develop a plan(s) to address these.

3. Identify effective programs and ongoing training needs in order to develop a county/county joinder response to requests for SAP team development (i.e. additional training, county updates, team maintenance, research-based programs).
4. Promote communication, feedback and conflict resolution among the child serving systems in the county/county joinder.
5. Promote joint planning and collaboration among child serving systems for resource development and effective service delivery.

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