Prevention and Early Intervention Initiative as Related to Schools, California's Mental Health Services Act

The work being done in relation to this Act will have an impact not only in CA but in many other states as they transform their MH systems and focus on the role of schools. Therefore, we have worked closely with the CA. Department of Mental Health as it prepares its proposed Prevention and Early Intervention initiative. The agency's current efforts have incorporated major facets of the frameworks developed by the Center for Mental Health in Schools at UCLA. For example, they have used the frameworks and related work in developing their "*Standards for Key Areas in Developing Systems for Prevention and Early Intervention.*" (See the MHSA PEI School-Based Program entitled, "*Mental Health Services Act, Prevention and Early Intervention, Standards for School-Based Programs, Interventions and Systems, February 2007*") See:

(http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/pdfdocs/wheresithappening/CAStandardsforSchool-BasedPrograms.pdf)

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