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# Innovative approaches to providing family planning services to underserved young people in school-based settings

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In order to provide family planning services to underserved young people, many ***school-based health centers (SBHCs) and community college health centers (CCHCs) are using a wide range of innovative approaches*** to overcome obstacles. ***COVID-19 has added new hurdles***, but providers continue to ***think outside-the-box*** to provide services to young people.



## Key Goals of Project:

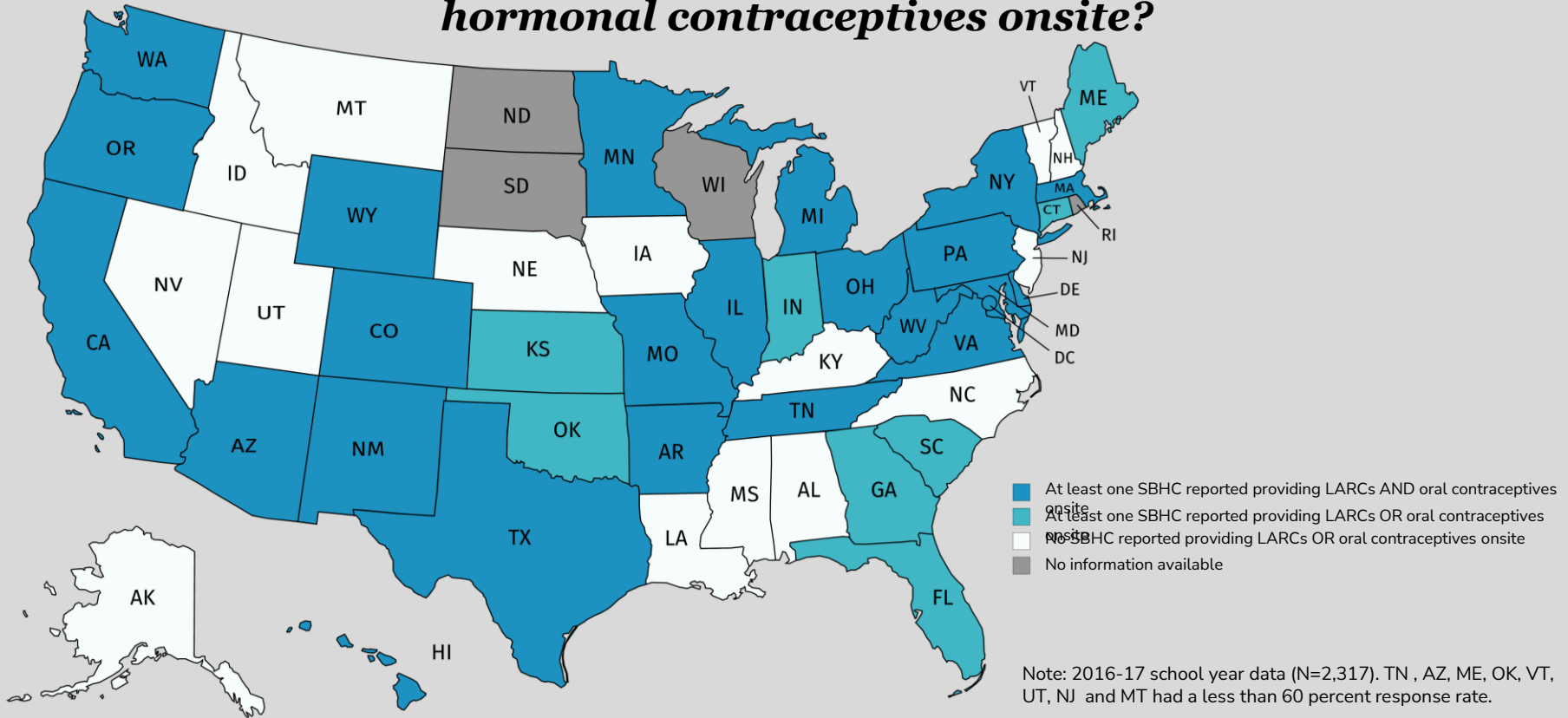
- **Identify innovative strategies** for providing services via SBHCs CCHCs,
  - Literature scan of journal articles, news articles and, webpages
  - Interviews with 35 SBHCS and 4 CCHCs
- **Widely share** innovative strategies, and
- **Increase knowledge** of innovative strategies among providers and school staff



# Examples of Innovative Practices

1. **Inviting providers into classes or hold events** within the SBHCs or CCHCs to increase student awareness of services.
2. **Setting up a hotline** to allow students to reach clinic staff at any time to inquire about sexual and reproductive health and services.
3. Using **technology** like apps and **telehealth** to educate and provide services to students.
4. Uploading **videos on social media** outlets to educate students virtually on sexual and reproductive health, being mindful of the unique needs of local youth.
5. At schools with minimal student health services, **establishing strong referral partners** and **utilizing mobile health clinics** to serve students.

# Which states' SBHCs reported providing LARCs and/or hormonal contraceptives onsite?



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