

## Analyzing the Access Gap

*“One of the biggest issues in society is the access gap... When children do not receive what they need, problems are likely to emerge, and they are likely to experience a range of negative short- and long-term outcomes.”*

To avoid a potential Access Gap, each school site should have plans to provide intervention for up to 15% of their student population at any given time, per area (academics, SEL/behavior).

$$\begin{array}{r} \mathbf{A} \\ \text{(Students in Need of} \\ \text{Possible Intervention)} \end{array} - \begin{array}{r} \mathbf{B} \\ \text{(Capacity for Intervention} \\ \text{Intervention Delivery} \\ \text{Model)} \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} \mathbf{Access} \\ \mathbf{Gap} \end{array}$$

A: This is the number of students schools should plan to support.

- **Calculate this number.**

B: Number of students who can be served effectively in intervention. To estimate this number, each intervention team member will need to have a general idea of what their weekly schedules will look like.

- **Calculate this number based on:**
  - **(Prioritize) How many students can be served in GROUP-BASED intervention (including classroom push-in support, small group instruction, CICO, Mentoring)?**
  - **How many students require individual intervention either due to: 1) a lack of response to group-based intervention or 2) intensity and duration of intervention?**

Determine whether, based on your model of intervention delivery (B), your school site has an access gap.

- **No Access Gap- continue intervention model**
- **Access Gap- reexamine delivery model (B)**
  - Potential reasons for Access Gap may include:
    - Higher number of students receiving individualized interventions versus group-based intervention
    - Inadequate leveraging of personnel (e.g. site BIA assigned to 1 or 2 students only)
    - Duplication of services/ multiple BST providers
    - Pull-out services versus push-in support