

THE COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE MODEL FOR FAMILY RECOVERY, SAFETY AND STABILITY

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Frequently Cited Barriers

- Differences in values and perceptions of primary client
- Timing differences in service systems
- Knowledge gaps among staff working in the systems
- Lack of tools for effective engagement in services
- Intervention and prevention needs of children
- Lack of effective communication
- Data and information gaps
- Categorical and rigid funding streams as well as services and treatment gaps



Suggested Strategies

- Develop principles for working together
- Create on-going dialogues and efficient communication
- Develop cross-training opportunities
- Improve screening, assessment and monitoring practice and protocols
- Develop funding strategies to improve timely treatment access
- Expand prevention services to children
- Develop improved cross-system data collection



Navigating the Pathways Published by SAMHSA/CSAT

- A framework for defining elements of collaboration
 - To define linkage points across systems: where are the most important bridges we need to build?
- Methods to assess effectiveness of collaborative work
 - To assess differing values
 - To assist sites in measuring their implementation



Collaborative Practice and Policy Tools

Ten Element Framework - A method to organize collaborative activities in specific practice and policy areas

Collaborative Values Inventory - An anonymous way to explore values and beliefs to facilitate the development of common principles using web-based data collection

Collaborative Capacity Instrument - An anonymous way to assess the strengths and challenges in each of the areas of system linkages using web-based data collection

Matrix of Progress in System Linkages - A practice-based approach that specifies characteristics of advance collaboration practice in the elements of system linkages

Screening and Assessment for Family Engagement, Retention and Recovery – SAFERR -- A guidebook to develop effective communication across systems while engaging families in services



Ten Element Framework Elements of System Linkages

Focus on Your Mission

Underlying Values and Priorities

Provide Specialized Services

Screening and Assessment
Engagement and Retention
Services for Children
Community and Family Support

Connect Systems for Collaboration

Information Systems
Training and System Tools
Budget and Sustainability
Working with Other Agencies

Achieve Positive Outcomes for Children and Families

Shared Outcomes and
Joint Accountability

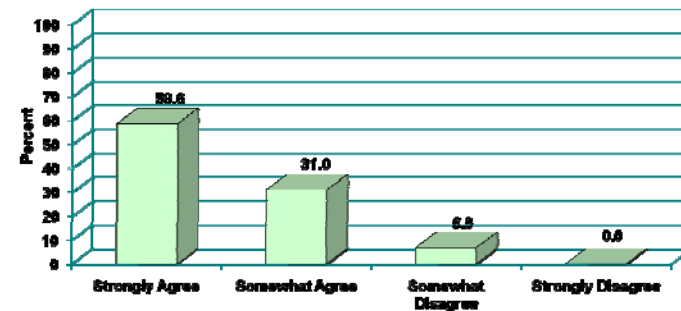
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Focus on Your Mission

underlying values
and priorities

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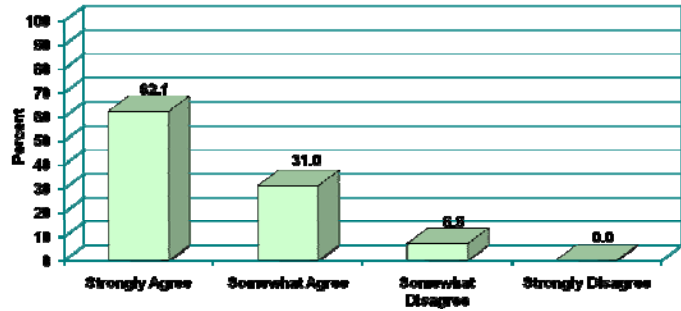
5. People who abuse alcohol and other drugs have a disease for which they need treatment.



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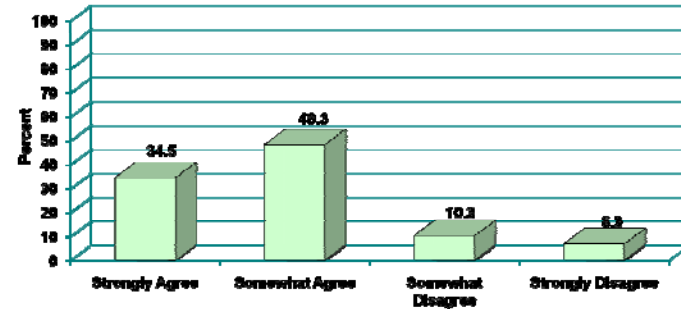
7. People who abuse alcohol and other drugs should be held fully responsible for their own actions.



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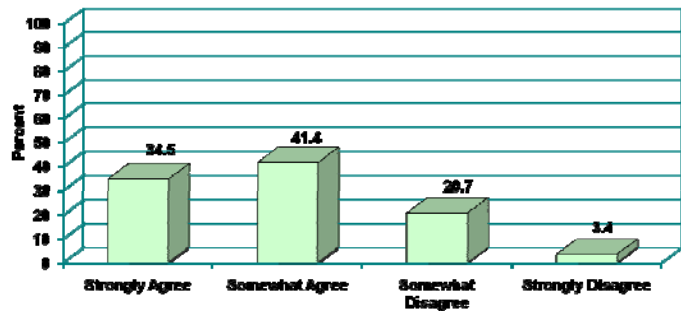
8. There is no way that a parent who abuses alcohol or other drugs can be an effective parent.



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11. The standard we should use for deciding when to remove or reunify children with their parents is whether the parents are fully abstaining from the use of alcohol or other drugs.



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Mission, Underlying Values and Principles of Collaboration

- Developing a joint mission statement
- Organizations and Statewide Systems that Have Developed an Effective Joint Mission Statement
 - *Synthesis of Cross System Values and Principles: A National Perspective*
 - Massachusetts
 - Arizona



Mission, Underlying Values and Principles of Collaboration

- ◉ Collaborative Values Inventory
- ◉ Collaborative Capacity Instrument
- ◉ Matrix of Progress
- ◉ *Facilitating Cross-System Collaboration: A Primer on Child Welfare, Alcohol and Other Drug and Court Services*
- ◉ *Navigating the Pathways* (TAP 27)



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Provide Specialized Services

screening and assessment

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Screening and Assessment

- ◉ For the purpose of Engagement and Retention
 - Does a family have a substance use or child abuse or neglect issue? If so, how urgent is the issue?
 - What is the extent and immediacy of the substance use or child abuse or neglect issues?
 - How do the systems need to respond to the substance use or child abuse or neglect issue? Is the family ready to make a transition in the case plan and what does the family need after discharge from treatment and during reunification?

It's the team, not the tool



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Screening and Assessment

- ◉ Organizations and Statewide Systems that Have Developed Effective Joint Screening and Assessment Procedures
 - Statewide Implementation of UNCOPE Universal Screen
 - Statewide screening for co-occurring disorders
 - New Jersey Child Protection Substance Abuse Initiative



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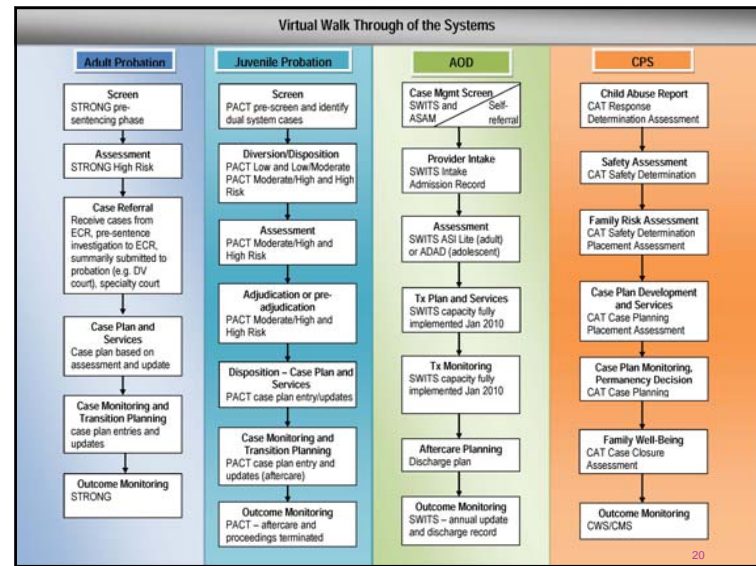
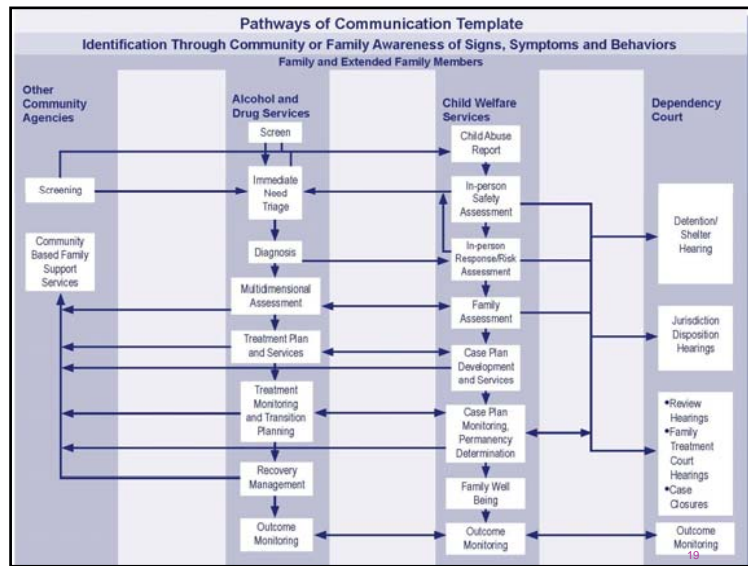
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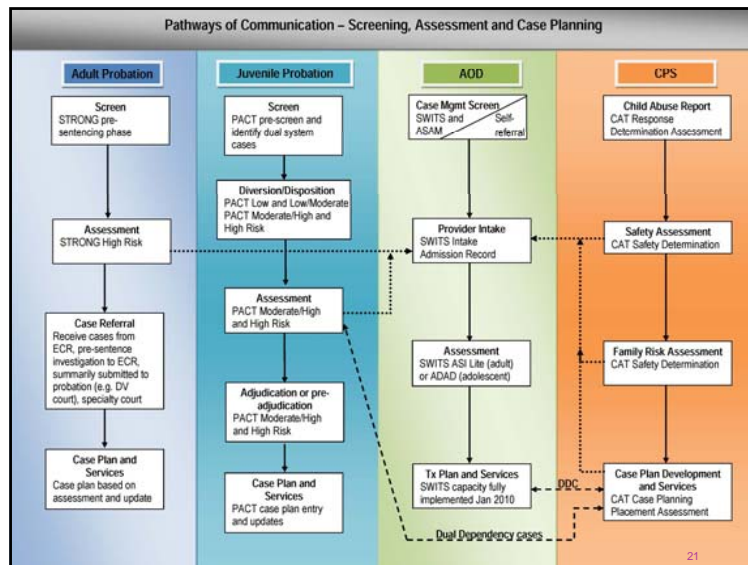
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Engagement and Retention in Care

- Ensure treatment and recovery success by:
 - Understanding, changing, and measuring the cross-system processes for referrals, engagement, and retention in treatment.

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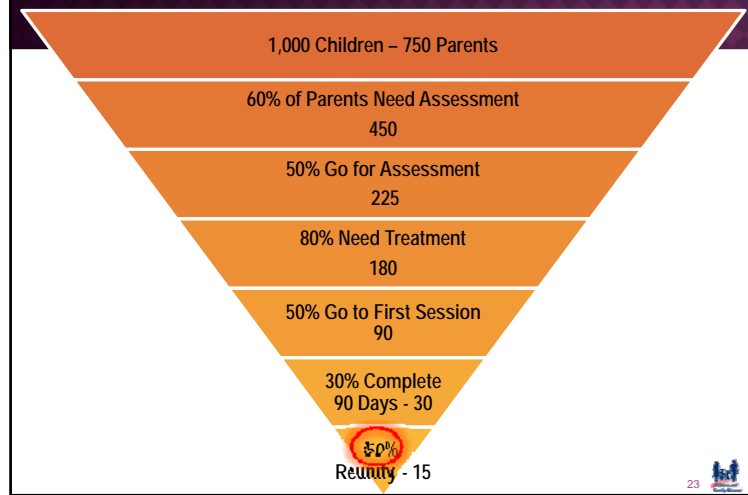




Engagement and Retention in Care

- Ensure treatment and recovery success by:
 - Understanding, changing, and measuring the cross-system processes for referrals, engagement, and retention in treatment.
 - Recruiting and training staff who specialize in outreach and motivational approaches and who monitor processes of recovery and aftercare.
 - Jointly monitoring family progress through a combination of case management, counseling, testing, and family support programs.

Drop-off Analysis



Engagement and Retention in Care

- Organizations and Statewide Systems that Have Developed Effective Joint Engagement and Retention Interventions
 - Parent Partner Programs (Arizona and Upper Des Moines)
 - Specialized Treatment and Recovery Services, Sacramento County, California
 - Engaging Moms Program, Family Drug Court, Miami, Florida

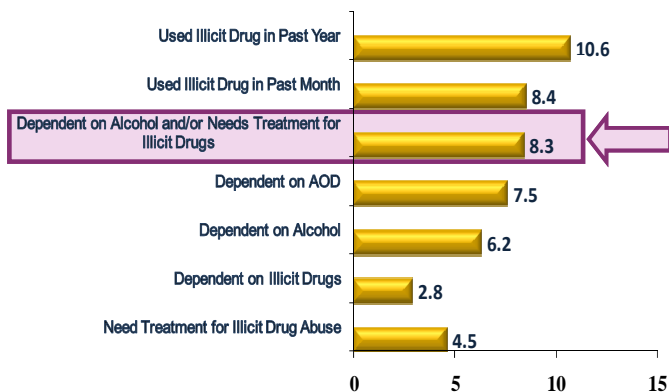
Screening, Assessment, Engagement and Retention in Care

- *Screening and Assessment for Family Engagement, Retention and Recovery (SAFERR)*
- *Substance Abuse Specialists in Child Welfare Agencies and Dependency Courts: Considerations for Program Designers and Evaluators*
- *Drug Testing in Child Welfare: Practice and Policy Considerations*
- Drop-off Analysis and Process Improvement
- Contingency Management

Provide Specialized Services

services
for children

Children Living with One or More Substance-Dependent Parent

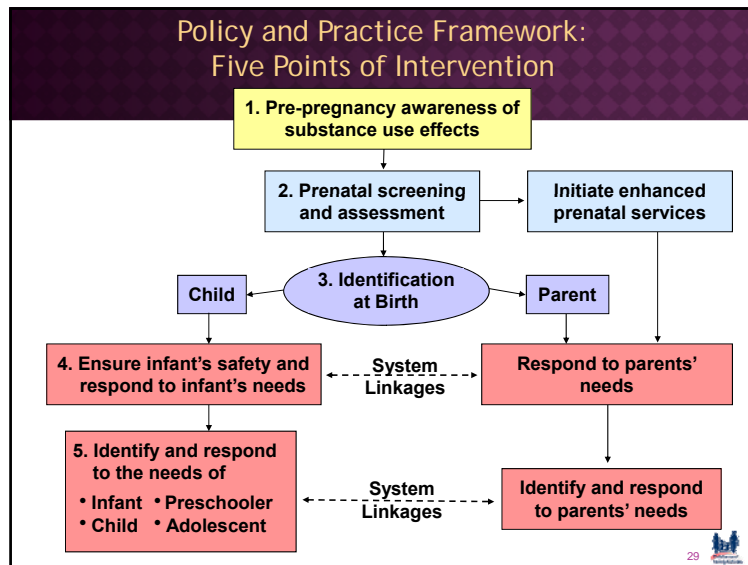


Numbers indicate millions

Use During Pregnancy

SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007-2008 Annual Average

Substance Used (Past Month)	1st Trimester	2nd Trimester	3rd Trimester
Any Illicit Drug	7.2%	5.0%	2.8%
Alcohol Use	20.7%	7.8%	3.5%
Binge Alcohol Use	10.3%	1.9%	1.3%
Cigarettes	23.7%	12.9%	13.7%



Services to Children

- Organizations and Statewide Systems that Have Developed Effective Services to Children of Parents with Substance Use Disorders
 - Project FEAT (Oregon)
 - Washington State
 - 4 Ps Plus
 - Linda Ray Intervention Center
 - Celebrating Families

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Services to Children

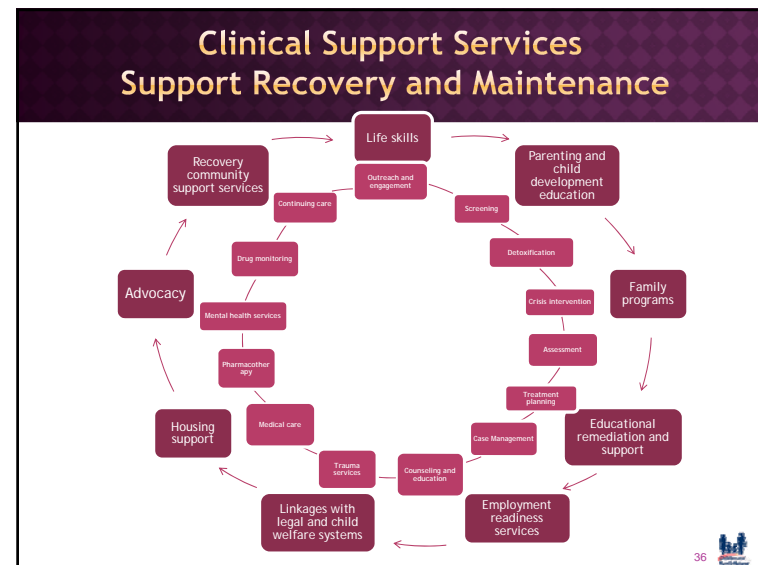
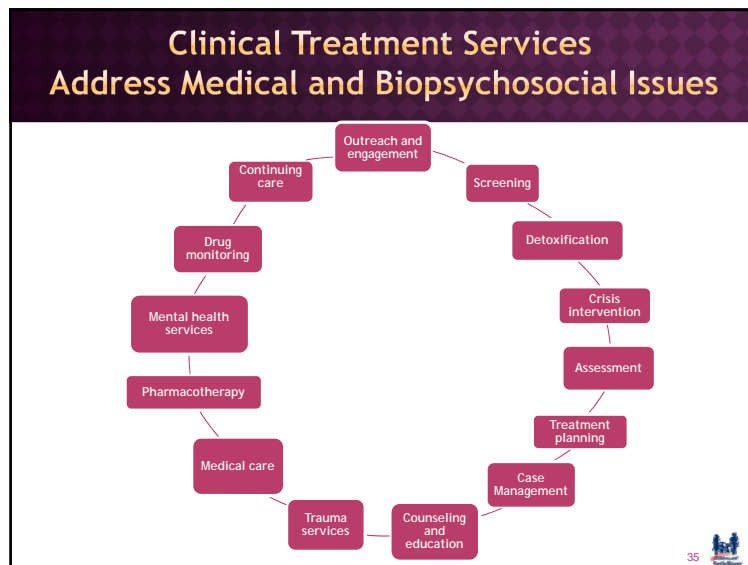
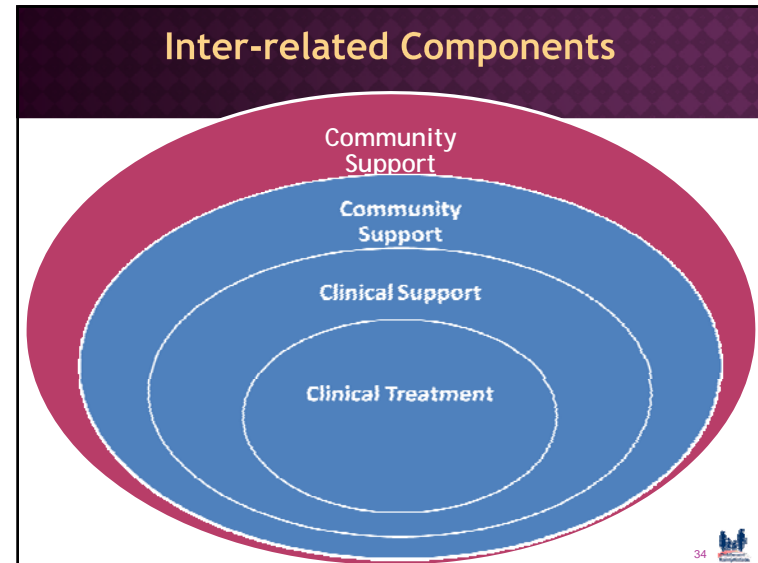
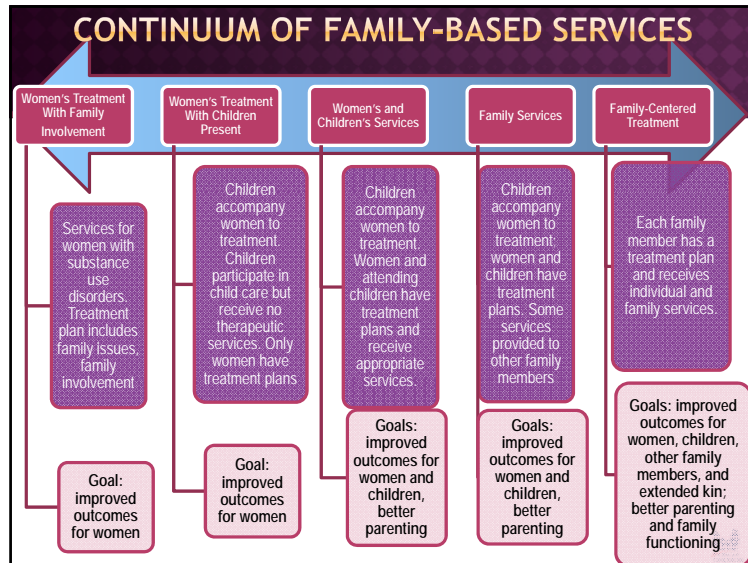
- Substance Exposed Infants: State Responses to the Problem*
- Therapeutic Services for Children: A Review of the Responses to the SAPT Block Grant Application*
- SAFERR Appendix on screening and assessment tools for children and youth
- NACOA Celebrating Families!
- Strengthening Families Program

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Provide Specialized Services

community and family support

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Working with the Community and Supporting Families

- Recovery management and recovery community services such as self-help, recreational activities, and drop-in supportive centers
- Mutual aid and peer supports
- Family strengthening through neighborhood-based parenting supports
- Child care including temporary respite care
- Faith-based organization support



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Working with the Community and Supporting Families

- Organizations and Statewide Systems that Offer Community and Supportive Services to Families Involved in the Child Welfare System
 - Kentucky Sobriety Treatment and Recovery Teams (START) Model
 - Parent Partner Network
 - Family Involvement Team (FIT) for Recovery
 - Riverside County United Methodist Women



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Working with the Community and Supporting Families

- *Family-Centered Treatment for Women with Substance Use Disorders—History, Key Elements and Challenges*
- Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care
- Integrating Child Welfare, Substance Abuse, Judicial and Legal Services to Support Families (Texas)
- Gearing Up to Improve Outcomes for Families (New York)
- Alcoholics Anonymous



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Working with Related Agencies

- Develop an inventory of the available services that are in the local area and plot these resources on a map.
- Identify the needs of the families that partners serve.
- Talk to potential collaborators to uncover potential conflicts.
- Develop working agreements or MOUs
- Determine each collaborating agency's criteria for accepting clients.
- Establish an agreement regarding the flow of information and feedback between the agencies



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Working with Related Agencies

- OnTrack, Inc.
- Center Point, Inc. FamilyLink Program
- One Hope United
- Safe4Kids

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Connect Systems for Collaboration

data systems
and information
sharing

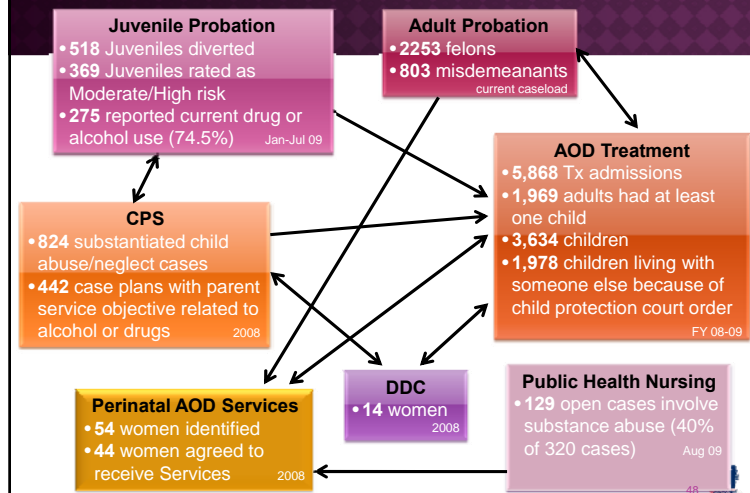
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Effective Communication and Information Systems

- Identify the content, methods, roles, and responsibilities in cross-system communication protocols
- Link information system databases to track progress of children and their parents and determine whether families achieved goals
- Confidentiality barriers

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Multiple Systems, Partners and Opportunities



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Effective Communication and Information Systems

- The Kentucky Sobriety Treatment and Recovery Teams (START) Program
- Sacramento County Dependency Drug Court

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Effective Communication and Information Systems

- *Introduction to Cross-System Data Sources in Child Welfare, Alcohol and Other Drug Services, and Courts*
- Webinars
 - Connecting the Dots: How States and Counties Have Used Existing Data Systems to Create Cross System Data Linkages
 - Propensity Score Matching Strategies for Evaluating Substance Abuse Services for Child Welfare Clients
- MOUs on Information Systems and Data Sharing
- SAFERR Pathways of Communication Templates
- Substance Abuse/Child Welfare Systems Data Profile Worksheet

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Connect Systems for Collaboration

**budget and
sustainability**

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Budgeting and Program Sustainability

- Effectiveness of what the partners want to sustain
- A marketing plan
- The total resources that the partners need to sustain the innovation and what can be leveraged from other sources
- The political and community resources needed to sustain the innovation, proving that it has support in the community that extends beyond the sponsoring agencies
- The innovation's institutionalization throughout the organization(s)

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Budgeting and Program Sustainability

- Denver EFFECT—Entire Family-Focused Effective Comprehensive Treatment
- Project Connect
- NPC Research
- Kentucky Department for Community-Based Services (DCBS)



Budgeting and Program Sustainability

- *Funding Family-Centered Treatment for Women With Substance Use Disorders*
- *White Paper on Funding Comprehensive Services for Families with Substance Use Disorders in Child Welfare and Dependency Courts*
- Discussion Guide and Matrix for the Sustainability of Programs for Children and Families
- Cost Rationale and Cost Analysis Discussion Guide
- Funding Source Template
- Marketing Your Program: Creating the Sales Document



Connect Systems for Collaboration

training
and staff
development

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Training and Staff Development

- Understanding Substance Abuse and Facilitating Recovery: A Guide for Child Welfare Workers (tutorial)
- Understanding Child Welfare and the Dependency Court: A Guide for Substance Abuse Treatment Professionals (tutorial)
- Understanding Substance Use Disorders, Treatment and Family Recovery: A Guide for Legal Professionals (tutorial)
- Participant workbooks and supervisor handbooks developed by the State of Utah



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Training and Staff Development

- *Understanding Substance Abuse and Facilitating Recovery: A Guide for Child Welfare Workers*
- *Helping Child Welfare Professionals Support Families with Substance Use, Mental and Co-Occurring Disorders Toolkit*
- *A Cross-System Training Plan*
- *Family Drug Court Learning Academy Series*

Achieve Positive Outcomes for Children and Families

shared outcomes
and joint
accountability

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Joint Accountability and Shared Outcomes

- *Substance abuse outcomes for parents involved in the child welfare system:* access to treatment, retention in treatment, positive discharge from treatment, reduction in substance use, change in employment, and change in arrests.
- *Child welfare outcomes for parents with a substance use disorder:* children remaining at home, occurrence of maltreatment, length of stay in foster care, re-entries into foster care, and timeliness of reunification or permanency.
- *Other important outcomes:* child well-being, adult mental health status including reduction in trauma symptoms, school attendance, parenting skills, family functioning, risk or protective factors, and children and parents connected to supportive or ancillary services.

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Joint Accountability and Shared Outcomes

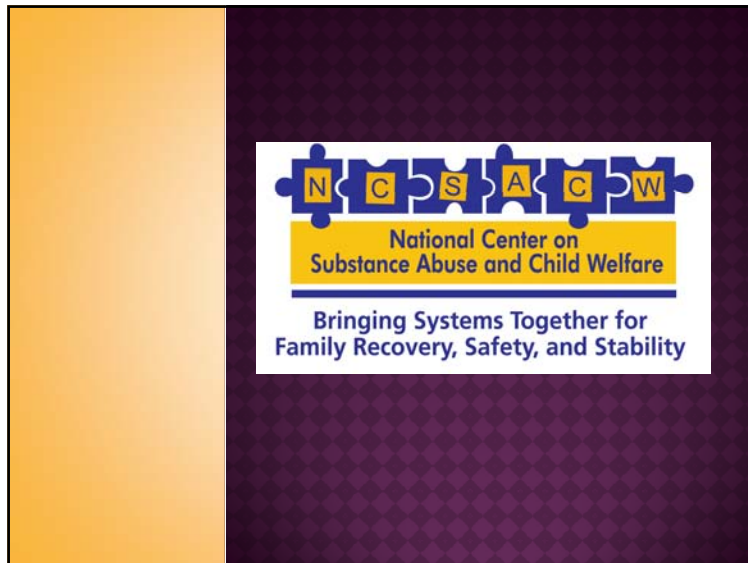
- Arizona Families F.I.R.S.T. (Families in Recovery Succeeding Together)
- New Jersey
- Regional Partnership Grants
- Sacramento Dependency Drug Court

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Joint Accountability and Shared Outcomes

- Regional Partnership Grantees Data Analysis Logic Model
- Regional Partnership Grantee Performance Measurement and Data System Data Dictionary

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Developing knowledge and providing technical assistance to federal, state, local agencies and tribes to improve outcomes for families with substance use disorders in the child welfare and family court systems

A Program of the
 Substance Abuse and Mental Health
 Services Administration
 Center for Substance Abuse Treatment
 and the
 Administration on Children, Youth and Families
 Children's Bureau
 Office on Child Abuse and Neglect

NCSACW Goals

- To improve outcomes for families by promoting effective practice, and organizational and system changes at the local, state, and national levels
- To develop and implement a comprehensive program of information gathering and dissemination
- To provide technical assistance

Technical Assistance

Objectives

- To share knowledge across systems the three systems: substance abuse, child welfare, dependency court
- To promote understanding of cross systems issues and to advance cross-system collaboration
- To increase awareness and adoption of cross systems approaches
- To facilitate communication across systems
- To improve outcomes for children and adults



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Technical Assistance

- Collaboration practice and policy tools
- Information and sharing of models
- Expert consultation and research
- Development of issue-specific products
 - Monographs, white papers, fact sheets
- Training resources
 - On-line courses, training materials
- Longer-term strategic planning and development of protocols and practice models



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How Do I Access Technical Assistance?

- Visit the NCSACW website for resources and products at <http://ncsacw.samhsa.gov>
- Email us at ncsacw@cffutures.org



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QUESTIONS AND
DISCUSSION