



MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT

ENHANCED SUPPORTS TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND PREVENT FOSTER CARE PLACEMENTS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT SERVICES, IN-HOME PARENT SKILLED-BASED PROGRAMS, AND KINSHIP NAVIGATOR SERVICES.

REPORT DATE	PROJECT NAME	PREPARED BY
August 2020	FFPSA	OCW- Case Management & Well Being Team

STATUS SUMMARY

FFPSA impacts a wide range of child welfare programs, including preventive services, foster care and adoption. The ACT includes significant amendments to Title IV-E (foster care, adoption assistance and Chafee independent living services), Title -B (child welfare services). There are multiple effective dates in the Act. The Department's approach to implementation is four phased which are listed in the project overview below. This monthly progress report will summarize the actions needed/assigned, and those completed in partnership during the month that move toward compliance with implementation of the FFPSA.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

TASK	DUE DATE	OBJECTIVE
Path Forward	9/30/2020	Secure and provide prevention resources to families, diverting them from crisis by maximizing Florida's title IV-E claiming to support Florida's child welfare system.
Group Care	12/31/2020	Increase the utilization of family-like settings concurrently right sizing Florida's utilization and quality of congregate care resulting in increased safety, permanency and well-being.
Evidence Based Prevention Services	09/30/2020	Increase Florida's utilization of EBPs to achieve better outcomes for Florida's families, diverting them from crisis and increasing pre-crisis contacts



SUBCOMMITTEES/TEAMS

COMMITTEE	LEAD	MEETING DATE(S)	TASKS/GOAL
Group Care Accountability System	Zandra Odum/Shamra Boel-Studt	TBD	Standardize, measure and ensure quality of group care settings
QRTP Subcommittee	Zandra Odum/Vanessa Snoddy	Completed	Recommend evidence-based, trauma-informed QRTP assessment.
Child Welfare Task Force	Erin Hough/Sam	August 4 th (virtual meeting held); Next Meeting November 17 th .	Stakeholder overview and feedback loop to FFPSA goal and subcommittees.
Placement/Group Care	Vanessa Snoddy	Completed	Increase relative/non-relative placements, increase foster home capacity, align group care settings (policy, licensing, training, technology)
Prevention Plan Development	Dr. Babcock	Bi- weekly	Design, and document Florida's prevention service array and service delivery.
Placement/Foster Homes	Courtney Smith	TBD	Increase foster home capacity and develop specialized federal foster homes
Technology Enhancements for Prevention data collection	Ginger Griffeth/Vanessa Snoddy	TBD	To structure a system that allows for collection and reporting of data to support the use of prevention services and billing

ACTIONS/NEXT STEPS:

PATH FORWARD	LEAD	COURTNEY	ACTION
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Action Completed:

1. Level I Licensing Leadership Forums has been held with Brevard Family Partnership.
2. Scheduled FFPSA call with RMD and operational staff.

Planned Action for Upcoming Month:

1. Establish Training/Level I Leadership Forums with 1 additional CBCs and 1 region.
2. Solicit input from CBC leads with key staff to have monthly calls on FFPSA implementation status updates and feedback from CBC on their actions to move forward.
3. Identify and set training/leadership forums dates for CBC, DCF and other community partners. Training/forums to include on what should be occurring at the local level and what is on the horizon.
4. Assign task to appropriate subcommittee to discuss and return with recommendation.



GROUP CARE	LEAD	VANESSA SNOODY	ACTION
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Action Completed:

1. Statewide webinar on group home policy and federal foster homes
2. Completed the FFTA estimated budget
3. Policy draft submitted to the Children's Bureau.
4. Review of current policy and practices for substance abuse facilities serving parents and children.
5. Ongoing monthly FFPSA calls with the regions
6. Initiate development of training materials for the winter FFPSA policy training

Planned Action:

1. Electronic system enhancements for fiscal YR 20/21 (4 quarters).
2. Conduct training to on child caring agency and out of home care.
3. Amend Magellan contract to conduct QRTP assessments
4. Statewide Family Finder Training for CPI/CBC in the September/October 2020 to align placements to reduce children in care.
5. Meeting with AHCA on IMD
6. Letter to D.C. for IMD clarification

GROUP CARE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM	LEAD	ZANDRA ODUM AND SHAMRA BOEL-STUDT	ACTIONS
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Action Completed:

1. Provided regions with update on completed/in progress assessment forms.
2. Completed quarterly TA conference calls with each of the regions.

Planned Action:

1. Monitor submission of completed GCQS assessment forms, including cohort of licensing assessment forms included in the interrater reliability study.
2. Review and update project timeline to reflect changes in time frames due to covid impact.

EVIDENCE BASED SERVICES	LEAD	VANESSA SNOODY	ACTIONS
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Action Completed:

1. Leadership and steering committee meeting to determine EBP selection
2. Completed the FFTA estimated budget
3. Regional monthly FFPSA call
4. Candidacy definition submitted to the Children's Bureau
5. Statewide webinar on prevention
6. Review of draft prevention plan template for the Regions and Sheriff's Office

Planned Action:

1. Finalize State Plan
2. Finalize CFOP for prevention
3. Complete FSFN enhancements

NATIONAL UPDATES

ACF Clearinghouse Review and Rating of the following Evidence Based Practices:



Program/Service Name	Program Target	Program/Service Rating
Incredible Years - Parents and Babies Program	Mental Health Program and Services	Does not meet criteria
Incredible Years - Toddler Basic Program	Mental Health Program and Services	Promising
Incredible Years - Preschool Basic Program	Mental Health Program and Services	Does not meet criteria
Incredible Years - School Age Basic Program	Mental Health Program and Services	Promising
Multidimensional Family Therapy	Substance Abuse Programs and Services Mental Health Program and Services In home parent skill-based Program and Services	Supported
The Seven Challenges – Adolescent	Substance Abuse Programs and Services	Does not meet criteria
The Seven Challenges – Adult	Substance Abuse Programs and Services	Does not meet criteria
Triple P - Positive Parenting Program - Group (Level 4)	Mental Health Program and Services	Promising
Triple P - Positive Parenting Program - Online (Level 4)	Mental Health Program and Services	Does not meet criteria
Triple P - Positive Parenting Program - Self-Directed (Level 4)	Mental Health Program and Services	Promising
Triple P - Positive Parenting Program - Standard (Level 4)	Mental Health Program and Services	Promising

National Child Welfare Workforce Institute: Celebrate Child Welfare Worker Appreciation Week, September 14-18, 2020. This includes promoting to staff the virtual Child Welfare Worker Recognition Event being co-hosted by NCWWI and the Children's Bureau on September 15, 2020. Visit, [NCWWI.org/CWworkforce](https://ncwwi.org/CWworkforce), you can learn about the speakers, and download the Recognition Event Kit including marketing materials.