

Child Maltreatment Prevention



► This framework is designed as a tool to guide strategic thinking, at the state and local level, about resource investments to prevent child maltreatment and promote child well-being. As this tool is used collectively across the state, the resulting alignment of strategies will maximize the impact on shared outcomes.

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Framework for Action

SHARED VISION
 All Children are Valued,
 Healthy, and Thriving

PRESENT

ACTION

FUTURE



Foundational Principles

Monitoring Program Implementation

Study what contributes to or inhibits successful implementation

Incentivizing Continuous Quality Improvement

Raise the performance bar and use timely data to adjust practice

Strengthening the Work Force

Increase provider knowledge and skills

Honoring Family and Participant Voice

Engage those you seek to help and encourage advocacy skills

Fostering Data Integration

Share information within and across agencies

Driving Policy Integration

Partner with others to increase success

Channels for Change

Individualized Services

STRATEGIES

- Home Visiting
- Parent Education
- Mobility Mentoring and Financial Literacy
- Respite and Crisis Care
- Family Development and Goal Setting
- Screening for Substance Abuse, Intimate Partner Violence, and Depression

**Individualized Service Strategies must build protective factors and use a two-generation approach to meeting the needs of the whole family.*

Organizational and Practice Change

STRATEGIES

- Evidence-Based Practice Implementation Science
- Workforce Development
- Performance Monitoring

Agency Collaboration and Community Capacity Building

STRATEGIES

- Integrated Care
- Community Effects on Child Maltreatment and Strategies at the Community Level
- Utilizing Technology
- Early Learning Communities
- Community Norms Change

Policy Reforms

STRATEGIES

- Policy Agenda Setting
- Innovating Federal and State Health Care Funding
- Transforming Existing Legislation to Better Meet the Needs of Families

Overarching Outcomes



Child Well-Being and Achievement

Maximize developmental potential of all children

INDICATORS

Well child check-ups, developmental screening, social emotional health, reading proficiency



Caregiver Well-Being and Achievement

Provide parents and other primary caregivers the support they need to succeed

INDICATORS

Financial security, educational attainment, social connections, and screening for interpersonal violence/pregnancy-related depression/substance abuse



Consistent High Quality Caregiving

Ensure all caregivers foster positive child development

INDICATORS

Incidence of child maltreatment, early childhood professional credentials and quality rated child care, appropriate child development expectations, safe sleep practices, spending time together as a family, child welfare placement stability



Safe and Supportive Neighborhoods

Create a context of collective responsibility for children

INDICATORS

Community cohesion, access to basic services, family friendly employment