CT Families First Program & Service Array Workgroup

Progress to Date & Workgroup Re-launch 10/8/2020

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Today's Agenda:

Introductions
 Co-Chairs

Review revised CT Families First submission timeline & relaunch
 DCF FFPSA Leads

National updates on FFPSA
 Chapin Hall

Review workgroup progress through March 2020 Co-Chairs

Start to review service alignment mapping by candidacy groups
 Co-Chairs

Discuss orientation session for new workgroup members
 Co-Chairs

Discuss ongoing model review & empirical support needed for Co-Chairs & Chapin Hall

candidacy plan recommendations

Review meeting schedule and planning logistics
 Co-Chairs

Workgroup overview

- Kick-off session: December 13, 2019
- 6 meetings on bi-weekly basis
 - 3 hour meetings
- 70+ workgroup members representing cross-section of partners:
 - Providers
 - Model developers
 - Community partners
 - Advocates
 - Other agencies
- First deliverable: Candidacy plan program/service recommendations
 - Original target date April 2020
 - Revised target date December 2020

Guiding Conceptualization: Where we started in January! Connecticut Continuum of Services that Strengthen Families

- "Upstream" general support for families
- Universally available
- Not driven by CW involvement

Primary prevention models/programs

Targeted interventions to support/strengthen families

- Prevent removals
- Focus on needs of parent/child/both
- Substance use
- Behavioral health
- Care coordination
- Skill-based parenting

- Coordinate w/ Kinship/FC WG
- Research supported
- Offered during placements in FC/Kinship/Congregate
- Focus on reunification where possible
- Permanency planning
- Kinship Navigation

Aftercare interventions/supports

- Permanency supports
- Reunification supports
- Adolescent/young adult aftercare/transition services
- What do we want to see in our prevention plan?
- Broad, overarching services

Other interventions/services



Broader prevention plan TBD 2020

Interventions during placements



- Kinship and Foster Care Workgroup
- New Residential (QRTP) workgroup

Primary prevention models/programs	Primar	y prevention	models/	programs
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Primary care screening for ACES	Widely available/Statewide	1,2,3,4		
Assistance for children in Transition		1,2,3,4	Needs clarification; Specific progr	ram or model?
Recreational Afterschool Programs Parenting Support Services (PSS) Triple P Circle of Security Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction FAVOR - Family Peer Support Program Child First Nurturing Families Birth to Three Parents As Teachers (PAT) Head Start Parent/Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) Nurse-Family Partnership STRIVE Be Proud/Be Responsible Caregiver Support Teams Fatherhood Engagement Services (FFC) 24/7 Dads	Limited availability Widely available/Statewide	1,2,3,4 1,2,3,4	Specific program or model? Parenting skills	
Triple P	Widely available/Statewide	1,2,3,4	FFPSA pending - Parenting skills	. 15.7
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Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction	Limited availability	1,2,3,4	Parenting skills	OWELL
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Multidimensional Family Therapy (MDFT)	Widely available/Statewide	1,2,3	FFPSA pending - Mental health	
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Early Childhood Consultation Program (ECCP)	Limited availability	1,2,3,4	Mental health	
Headstart	Widely available/Statewide	1,2,3,4	Mental health	
Crisis response - EMPS	Widely available/Statewide	1,2,3,4	Mental health	
Modular Approach to Treat Children with Anxiety, Depression, Trauma or				
Conduct Problems (MATCH)	Widely available/Statewide	1,2,3,4	Mental health	
Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools (CBITS)	Widely available/Statewide	1,2,3,4	Mental health	5
Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT)	Limited availability	1,2,3,4	Mental health	

FOCUS JUST BEFORE HIATUS: MATCHING PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO DEFINED CANDIDACY GROUPS

Targeted interventions to support/strengthen families to prevent children placed out of home

Candidacy groups:

- •Families with accepted careline calls
- •Families accepted for Voluntary Services
- •Siblings of Children in Foster Care
- Children/youth chronically absent
- Children/youth truant from school
- Youth referred to JRB or arrested
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- Trafficked youth
- •Families Experiencing IPV
- Infants born substance-exposed
- •Youth with Substance use disorder
- •Parent with substance use disorder
- Youth with behavioral health need
- Parent with behavioral health need

Aftercare interventions/supports

Candidacy groups:

- •Youth exiting to permanency or youth aging out of DCF foster care
- Pregnant or parenting youth in foster care
- Unstably housed/homeless youth
- •Children of incarcerated parents

Candidacy groups as defined by Candidacy WG and approved by CT Families First Governance





BREAK-OUT GROUPS: JAN/FEB 2020

Workgroup members matched program and service models to intervention needs and <u>Target Outcomes</u> for each candidacy group

Group B. Services for individuals with foster care experience. Most likely teens.

Pregnant and parenting youth in foster care

Youth exiting to permanency or youth aging out of DCF foster care

FFPSA Core elements to be addressed through evidence-based program or service Program or Service Other Current-Specific Research-Clearingvetting or ly (based on review of candidacy group risks/needs and desired outcomes for Supported Intervention house? level of availayouth/families receiving the program or service): matched to the identified ble in Indicate empirical These are desired targets to strengthen families to prevent out of home placement that CT? desired outcomes classifisupport will be addressed through matched research-supported programs and services that will cation meet rigorous criteria of FFPSA Clearinghouse to eventually gain status as "EBP" (* note any elements that MUST be addressed by selected program or service) Youth exiting to permanency or youth aging out of DCF Community Health Assistance Program Yes Appropriately matched for this developmental stage (CHAP) Promotes Independent living skill-development Assists with long-term planning (e.g. education, employment) Young Adult Services Yes Promotes self-sufficiency RCT Study Promotes youth connections (social network and community supports) Life Skills Inventory (LIST) showing Yes Needs Assessment and connection to services/resources (e.g. mental housing stability and health or substance use treatment; entitlements; healthcare) YV Lifeset yes some improved wellbeing; Supports youth in finding and maintaining stable housing ongoing program Additional considerations: evaluation being conducted by Accessibility: Investigate

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EXAMPLE
FROM
BREAK-OUT
GROUP B:

RESEARCH & REVIEW: FEB/MARCH

WG volunteers helped with research & review for inventory of programs and services according to FFPSA criteria for EBP status

Review Grid: Evidence-Based and Promising Practice Programs & Services for Families First Planning

Title IV-E Prevention Services Clearingouse Areas of Focus:

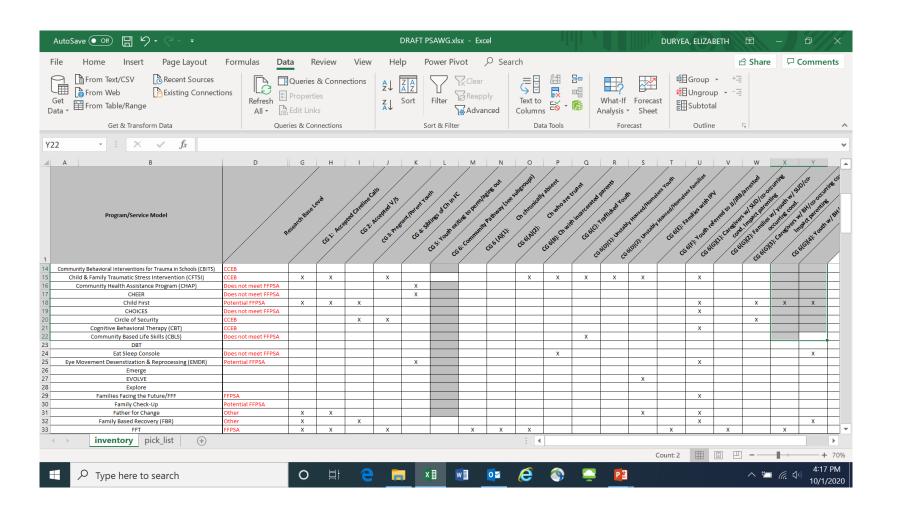
- Mental Health Prevention & Treatment (parent or child)
- Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment (parent or child)
- . In-Home Parent Skill-Based Programs & Services

Required Outcome Domains

- Child Safety
- · Child Permanency
- Child Well-Being
- Adult Well-Being

Model	Candi- dacy Group Match	Target Population	Level of Empirical Support	Research-Supported Outcomes	Provider Qualifi- cations	Training and Supervision	Service Location
Functional Family (FFT)	C, E,F	11 to 18 year old youth who have been referred for behavioral or emotional problems by juvenile justice, mental health, school, or child welfare systems. Family discord is also a target factor for this program.	Well Supported Title IV Prevention Services Clearinghouse	Child well-being: Behavioral and emotional functioning Child well-being: Substance use Child well-being: Delinquent behavior Adult well-being: Family functioning	Masters level clinicians	Sites that deliver FFT engage in three phases of training: clinical, supervision, and maintenance. In the clinical training phase, local clinicians are trained on the FFT model through weekly consultations and activities (typically over the span of 12 to 18 months). In the supervision phase, a local site staff is trained to serve as their FFT supervisor through a one-day onsite training, two two-day trainings, and monthly consultations.	Conducted in clinic and home settings. It can also be delivered in schools, child welfare facilities, probation and parole offices, aftercare systems, and mental health facilities.

MARCH: WG established growing inventory of program/services matched to identified needs



LET'S REMEMBER OUR GOAL!

Our current matching focus:

What programs or services do we have or need to reduce risk of child removal from families in our candidacy groups that have a level of research support that could potentially qualify for consideration for Title IV-E reimbursement?

Children and Families to Target for Prevention Efforts Children and families in need of support (not necessarily a service) to safely parent their children Family First Eligible Children at imminent risk of removal w/o Family First prevention services

AREAS OF FOCUS:

- MENTAL HEALTH PREVENTION AND TREATMENT
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT
- IN-HOME PARENT SKILL-BASED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

REQUIRED OUTCOME DOMAINS:

- CHILD SAFETY
- CHILD PERMANENCY
- CHILD WELL-BEING
- ADULTWELL-BEING

Strengthening Connecticut's Families Through Systems of Prevention & Support



OCTOBER 2020: What's next? Slicing and Dicing

PROGRAM AND SERVICE ARRAY "TOP TIERS" FOR CONSIDERATON TO GUIDE MODEL SELECTION FOR SMALL TITLE IV-E POTENTIAL FUNDING

MODELS THAT MEET NEEDS ACROSS MULTIPLE CANDIDACY GROUPS

Mental Health (parent or youth)
Substance use (parent or youth)
Parenting Skill

MODELS THAT ADDRESS NEEDS MOST ASSOCIATED WITH CHILD REMOVAL

(that are "matchable" to a research supported program or service)

Parenting Skill Deficits resulting in neglect/abuse

Parent Substance Use Disorder / Mental Health Condition impacting Parenting Capacity

Highly Disruptive Child Behavior

Housing instability for families

MODELS THAT ADDRESS NEEDS THAT ARE OFTEN EXCLUSIONARY FROM OTHER PROGRAMS OR SERVICES OR WHERE THERE IS A CURRENT GAP THAT PLACES FAMILIES AT RISK OF CHILD REMOVAL IF THERE IS RESEARCH-SUPPORTED MODEL ADDRESSING SPECIALIZED NEED

Trafficked youth
Housing Insecurity
Behavioral Health Needs of and Parenting Skills for children with special needs (health, DD, ID)
Family strengthening where parent incarcerated(CG)

EBPS THAT COULD PROVIDE CROSS-SYSTEM SUPPORT

Motivational interviewing (model for care coordination) Broad-based Parenting Program(?)

WHERE WE ARE PICKING UP:

- Review expanded list of models classified on FFPSA Clearinghouse
- Finalize review of all models identified by workgroup in Phase 1
- Reduce potential programs and services list to models that meet, or likely to meet, FFPSA Clearinghouse criteria
- Workgroup to match reduced list of models to candidacy group needs and select models to recommend to governance body and fiscal workgroup for inclusion in FFPSA plan for Title IV-E reimbursement
 - ✓ Looking at current services that meet criteria, gaps in current service array, models that meet multiple Candidacy Group needs
 - ✓ May require interim guidance from fiscal workgroup leads and/or governance committee
 - ✓ Candidacy plan must focus on models that meet FFPSA level of empirical support

NEXT STEPS FOR PSAWG:

- Orientation session for new members 10/15/2020 via Zoom
- Review/update charter with new meeting dates
- Continue to review service mapping by Candidacy Group