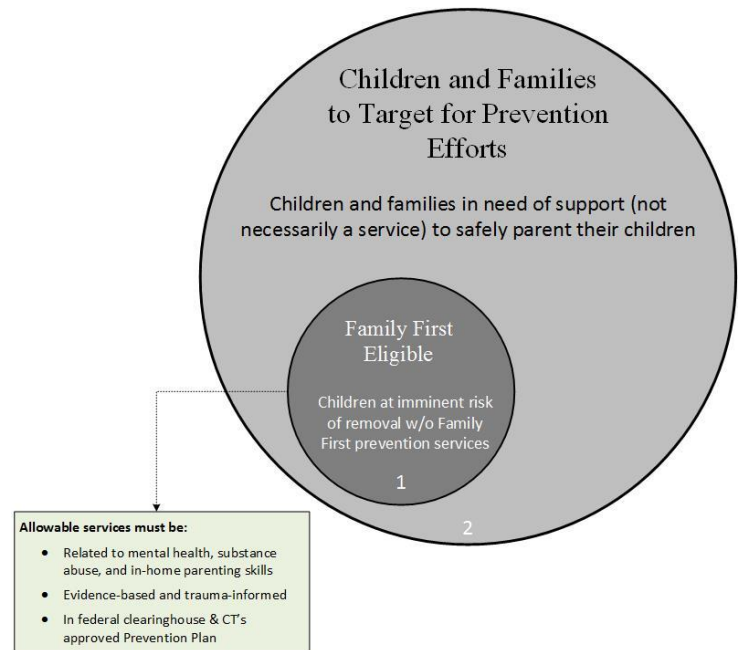


Family First - Programs and Service Array Workgroup (PSAWG)
Meeting Date: October 22, 2020 | 1:30 - 3:00 pm
Meeting Summary

Welcome/Introductions:

- Elizabeth Duryea and Elisabeth Cannata welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded them of some protocols for the virtual meeting-
- The Co-Leads reminded the group of the relaunch efforts to date: the Re-Launch event in September, the first PSAWG meeting, and the orientation session for new workgroup members.
- The Co-Leads ran through the agenda for the day:
 - Answer any lingering questions
 - Review a few slides as a refresher of PSAWG's work to date
 - Sequencing of group + deliverables
 - Model inventory: slicing and dicing
 - Today's scope - Tier 1 models meeting needs of multiple candidacy groups
 - Moving forward, there will be breakout groups
 - Recap of progress and next steps
- The group reviewed the candidacy group definitions.
- The group was also reminded of the narrow/broad distinction in our planning. Right now, we are focusing on the small circle of Family First eligible services. This narrow focus has distinct areas of focus (mental health prevention and treatment, substance abuse prevention and treatment, and in-home parent skill-based programs and services) and required outcome domains (child safety, child permanency, child wellbeing, and adult wellbeing).
- There are particular standards that a program must meet for it to be eligible for the FFPSA Clearinghouse. The workgroup has identified a lot of services, and not all of them meet the requirement.
- The workgroup will be "slicing and dicing" to narrow down the number of programs for inclusion, keeping in mind that some of these programs may still be a good fit for the broad prevention plan.



- At this meeting, the group will look at mental health, substance use, and parenting service that meet needs across multiple candidacy groups that have FFPSA level of empirical support.
- The Co-Leads reviewed the pacing for the group and what the next few meetings would address then opened it up for questions and comments:
 - One person asked why IPV was not being listed as one of the populations that the workgroup would address in the upcoming meetings. Elisabeth explained that FFPSA has a narrow focus that does not include services targeting IPV specifically. Although families experiencing IPV is one of the identified candidacy groups, those services may not match Title IV-E requirements. Right now, IPV is not being reviewed explicitly for that reason.

Slicing and Dicing

- The group looked at the model inventory for the first row of the slicing and dicing document. This included all models identified by the workgroup that met needs (as defined by FFPSA) across multiple candidacy groups. It used color to distinguish between the 12 models that are FFPSA-approved (highlighted in blue) and the remaining models which could potentially be FFPSA approved based on the existing empirical support (highlighted in green).
- Folks were asked to consider the following questions to help narrow down the number of models for Title IV-E selection:
 - Do we already have this?
 - If so...
 - Do we have data about whether we have enough to serve the candidacy groups?
 - Are there any threats currently to sustainability?
 - Would selection of this model seem to have strategic benefit for CT (and this may need fiscal workgroup review)?
 - Is it a program or a trained skill that some clinicians have?
 - If not...
 - What would be needed to implement?
 - What would be needed to sustain?
 - And either way, how would we keep track of the program/service with regards to our objectives and targeted outcomes for the plan?
- Elisabeth explained that a goal for meeting would be to begin to narrow down the table. The group engaged in discussion about some specific models on the list and how they might be looked at in relation to the candidacy groups, the criteria for inclusion in the prevention plan Title IV –E consideration and whether they might be moved for consideration in first pass. It became clear that with group of the size of the current workgroup and diverse expertise of its members that return to break out sessions in subsequent meetings and potentially between meeting would help the group focus matching activities. Group co-leads thanked group for their thoughtful contributions and agreed that they would develop some strategy for breakout groups to help move workgroup through the next phase of “slicing and dicing”.