

# SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES, RESILIENT FAMILIES, THRIVING CHILDREN

Indiana's Framework  
for the Prevention of  
Child Abuse & Neglect

## *Vision*

All children thrive in safe, stable, nurturing, and supportive families and communities that foster resilience and well-being.

## Principles

### **PROMOTING EQUITABLE SERVICE PROVISION AND ACCESS FOR ALL FAMILIES**

- An effective prevention effort strives to ensure that all families have equal access to services, resources, and opportunity.
- An effective prevention effort works toward equitable access to services, with specific focus on removing barriers for disenfranchised populations (LGBTQI+, racial minorities, children with special health needs, etc.).
- An effective prevention effort addresses systemic issues, such as poverty, racism, and barriers to social mobility.
- An effective prevention effort actively works to remove barriers to equitable access and includes assistance with service navigation.
- An effective prevention effort includes efforts to destigmatize services.

### **CENTERING FAMILY AND YOUTH VOICE**

- An effective prevention effort actively engages and collaborates with families and youth.
- An effective prevention effort includes an intentional focus on building relationships and trust with families.
- An effective prevention effort identifies and builds on family strengths and emphasizes protective factors.

### **DRIVING POLICY, DATA, AND FUNDING INTEGRATION**

- An effective prevention effort includes efforts to drive policy, data, and funding integration across agencies and organizations.

- An effective prevention effort involves intentional collaboration between partners and agencies with the goal of increasing success and alignment.
- An effective prevention effort includes the standardization of data collection and reporting.

### **STRENGTHENING THE COMMUNITY CULTURE AROUND FAMILY SUPPORT**

- An effective prevention effort increases workforce knowledge and skills.
- An effective prevention effort equips the workforce to recognize and build on family strengths and protective factors.
- An effective prevention effort prepares the workforce to provide services and resources in an equitable and accessible manner.
- An effective prevention effort looks beyond formal relationships and supports and establishes community support systems by engaging the community at large.

### **INCENTIVIZING CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AND INNOVATION**

- An effective prevention effort studies what contributes to successful implementation and uses timely data to adjust practice.
- An effective prevention effort identifies areas for improvement and implements change in a consistent way.
- An effective prevention effort looks for opportunities to innovate and reform by studying emerging and best practices.

<b>OUTCOME</b> <i>What we want to accomplish</i>	<b>INDICATORS</b> <i>The metrics to track progress</i>	<b>STRATEGIES</b> <i>How we will accomplish the outcomes</i>
<b>Child safety, well-being, and resilience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child maltreatment rate</li> <li>• Rate of youth suicide</li> <li>• Number and percentage of youth and children who are up to date on immunizations</li> <li>• Number and percentage of youth and children who have received a developmental screening</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home Visiting</li> <li>• School-Based Programs</li> <li>• Two-Generation Programs</li> <li>• Integrated Care</li> <li>• Family Resource Centers</li> <li>• Trauma-Informed Care</li> </ul>
<b>Adult and family stability, well-being, and resilience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number and percentage of pregnant women who report smoking or using other substances during pregnancy</li> <li>• Number of deaths involving drug overdoses</li> <li>• Number and percentage of women under the age of 18 giving birth</li> <li>• Percentage of families with children under 18 living below the ALICE Threshold</li> <li>• Percentage of families with children under 18 with no caregiver in the labor force</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home Visiting</li> <li>• Parent Substance Abuse Treatment Programs and/or Peer Recovery Support and Coaching</li> <li>• Two-Generation Programs</li> <li>• Integrated Care</li> <li>• Mental Health Services</li> <li>• Warmlines</li> <li>• Family Resource Centers</li> <li>• Trauma-Informed Care</li> </ul>
<b>Consistent, high-quality caregiving by all those responsible for meeting the needs of children</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of families enrolled in evidence-based home visiting programs</li> <li>• Percentage of infants, toddlers, and preschoolers who have access to affordable, high-quality child care</li> <li>• Percentage of youth ages 5-18 who have access for out-of-school-time programming or child care</li> <li>• Percentage of caregivers who report that they are adjusting to the daily demands of raising children</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home Visiting</li> <li>• Parenting Education Programs</li> <li>• Two-Generation Programs</li> <li>• High-Quality Child Care and Out-of-School-Time Programming</li> <li>• Family Resource Centers</li> </ul>
<b>Safe, supportive, and equitable communities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Percentage of households that are in census tracts with a high level of concentrated disadvantage</li> <li>• Number of youth experiencing homelessness</li> <li>• Percentage of households with at least 1 of 4 housing problems: overcrowding, high housing costs, lack of kitchen facilities, or lack of plumbing facilities</li> <li>• Number of community resources and/or services available for families</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School-Based Programs</li> <li>• Integrated Care</li> <li>• Community-Level Education and Awareness Campaigns</li> <li>• Innovations in Federal and State Funding</li> </ul>