

CPCS provides a secondary child abuse prevention service in every part of Indiana. This service builds community resources to form collaborative prevention networks in each region. This service is for families who were identified through self-referral or from another community agency referral.

CPCS is available in all 92 Indiana counties. Find providers at www.in.gov/dcs/files/ CommunityPartnersProvidersMap.pdf.

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WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR CHILD SAFETY (CPCS) SERVICES?

- 1. Families who do not have an open DCS or juvenile probation case.*
- 2. Families who do not meet the criteria for participation in the Healthy Families program.*
- 3. Families referred by a community resource or self-referred due to a determination that timely, effective and appropriate services can improve family functioning and prevent child abuse and neglect.
- *exceptions may be granted if there is not a duplication of services. Send requests to DCSPreventionQuestions@dcs.in.gov.

HOME-BASED CASE-MANAGEMENT SERVICES

CPCS is a free and voluntary home-based case-management services program that connects families to resources to strengthen the family and prevent child abuse and neglect. Community resources include schools, social services, health care, public health, hospitals, child care, community mental health agencies, local DCS offices, child abuse prevention agencies like Healthy Families and Prevent Child Abuse Councils, youth services bureaus, child advocacy centers, faith-based programs, twelve-step programs and more. In general, each community defines its own resources. The CPCS program is intended to be short-term, on average providing support to families for 3-6 months.



WHY CPCS?

Families need options and choices before a crisis occurs. CPCS is strength-based and families are in charge of the process. It helps children connect with youth programs and resources. CPCS staff helps families complete their goals.

"Things were rough at first in trying to adjust to the circumstances facing us. My worker was able to give vouchers to get some clothes for my children. She also put in for assistance for my electric bill. When I felt overwhelmed my worker had a solution and a plan."

-CPCS Client

HOW TO MAKE A REFERRAL

- DCS staff can refer through KidTraks.
- Referrals can be made directly to CPCS agencies. Find providers at <u>www.in.gov/dcs/files/CommunityPartnersProvidersMap.pdf</u>.
- Indiana Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline: 800-800-5556