

Regional Advisory Council/Network of Care Foster Care Crosswalk

Area of Interest/ Topic	RAC	NOC	Foster Care Priorities
Network Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Evaluate Service Array- Foster Care Specifically - Current Agency Providers - Community Programs Supporting foster families (OP, In-home, higher levels of care) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Identify current array of services and service gaps within the Region -Identify strategies to disseminate information about current resources to families and providers -Concerted effort to include child/family serving systems that are missing from the current array of known services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Quantity and Quality of current homes - Recruitment Efforts - What areas are most effected by lack of resources?
Family and Youth Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ensure that children reside safely with families whenever possible -Identification and development of innovative and/or evidence based practice approaches to meet the needs of children/youth and families - Proactive approach to keeping families together - Family voice- foster/adoptive, kin and biological homes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Increase family and youth involvement to 51% representation over three years -Develop strategies that welcome and engage family and youth leaders -Develop methods of sharing and promoting family involvement at local, regional and state levels - Family led discussions on Foster Care and gaps in current array that can benefit children/families. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How do we solve current crisis? - What part are we missing from families- why do we not have enough homes? - Are licensing requirements a barrier? Trainings held often enough? Easy to navigate?
Workforce Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Prepare and support the workforce to meet the needs of children and families - Develop and maintain a work environment that includes enhanced communication that is office and division specific - Supports increased statewide sharing and promotes professional development and wellness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ensure that families/caregivers and youth are full partners in all aspects of the planning and delivery of their own care/services and in the policies and procedures that govern care -Support parent and youth capacity to be full partners through participation in leadership development -Identify local youth and family leaders/champions -Support the continued family/youth active involvement and decision making process of the network of care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Education - Parent leadership, led trainings. - Opportunities for family growth and partnership (what does this look like?) - Increase Trainers for foster care train the trainer opportunities. - Peer support services/care coordination to be more cost effective and family friendly.

<p>Data Integration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Targeted expansion informed by data analysis - Evaluate practice transformation - Evaluate the implementation of new service types 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improve Regional data sharing through a user-driven process across all child serving sectors to drive planning, policy, budgeting and decision making to transform local, regional and statewide networks of care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where do we need to specifically target families for engagement/recruitment? - Best practices shared by contractors - What community services can we implement to better support foster families so they continue to be foster parents? - Are we effectively using current resources knowing we will not be getting additional financial resources?
<p>Cultural and Linguistic Responsiveness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ongoing examination of service system and practice efforts by race/ethnicity - Analyze and assess who is being referred to services and what outcomes are associated - Continued expansion of CLAS standards to advance private sector workforce 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To partner with families and network of care leaders in order to promote health equity, racial justice and cultural and linguistic competence across all behavioral health services - Regular updates from the CLAS cohorts and racial justice workgroups - Identify themes in Region and communities on local level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are we doing to address disparate representation for our youth of color? - Are we recruiting enough families of diverse backgrounds? What efforts can be made to better recruit diverse families? - How can we better support kin foster care?
<p>Social Marketing and Communications</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supports increased statewide sharing and promotes professional development and wellness - Foster Care Promotion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement social marketing strategies to create awareness of a statewide Network of Care's ability to increase service access, reduce gaps in the service array and improve quality of service - Increase awareness of available child serving systems to families - Encourage program and agency collaboration - Resource sharing and creative marketing strategies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How can we promote and recruit foster families effectively? - Interagency collaboration of efforts. - Region wide and local efforts together. - What areas of the region have more success and why?