Effective Practice Model for County FCFC
Core Function: Building Community Capacity

State Statute

Process established to identify local indicators and monitor progress toward increasing child well-being.

Mandated members and input from a broad representation of families.

Process to annually evaluate and prioritize services, fill service gaps, and invent new approaches to achieve better results.

Maintain an accountability system to monitor progress in achieving results

An annual plan for local efforts to increase child well-being.

An annual report on the status of efforts to the board of county commissioners and the OFCF Cabinet.

ORC 121.37(B)(3)(a); (B)(1)(a-n); (B)(2)(e); (B)(2)(b); (B)(2)(d); (B)(3)(b); (B)(3)(c)

Cross-System Principles

- Comprehensive and strategic planning and reporting
- Community values
- Community Mobilization
- Align community efforts across a continuum of services
- Data informed decisions
- Implement feasible evidence-based practices
- State and local linkages and partnerships
- Effective communication
- Interdisciplinary processes
- Meaningful positive relationship building

Effective Practice Strategies

- Child well-being plan and report
- Implement a process for strategic and tactical planning and reporting based on a sound logic model
- Involve mandated members and community members, including families in planning and implementation
- Gather data on a variety of issues across the continuum
- Utilize population based data and compare to other counties, state and nation
- Include a balance of quantitative and qualitative data
- Identify and focus on specific priorities based on the needs assessment
- Manage multiple priorities by monitoring strategy outcome based results
- Create a profile of existing programs, services, and activities that exist to address the selected priorities
- Assess formal & informal resources by continuum of care, target populations, and evidence of effectiveness
- Identify gaps
- Evaluate outcomes
- Ongoing data collection and analysis occurs
- Submit a comprehensive plan every four years; an outcome focused report every year
- Establish a committee to oversee and monitor the planning process and data
- Social marking

Outcomes

- Improved community engagement
- Reduce duplication of effort
- Maximize investment of public dollars
- Consistent focus on results
- Sustainability of effective programs and services

Local Level Challenges & Barriers:

- Lack of resources to effectively conduct a comprehensive planning process
- Difficult to enlist key partners in the process
- Lack of council members' commitment to see this work as part of a bigger picture of effectively managing multiple community priorities
- Community mobilization and building the community's capacity to do this work is challenging.