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Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA)



Created reimbursement pathway for federal funds to provide services to keep children safely with their families.



When foster care is needed, allows federal reimbursement for care in family-based settings and certain residential treatment programs.





FFPSA Themes

Reinvestment in prevention Emphasis on family-based placements Systemic partnerships

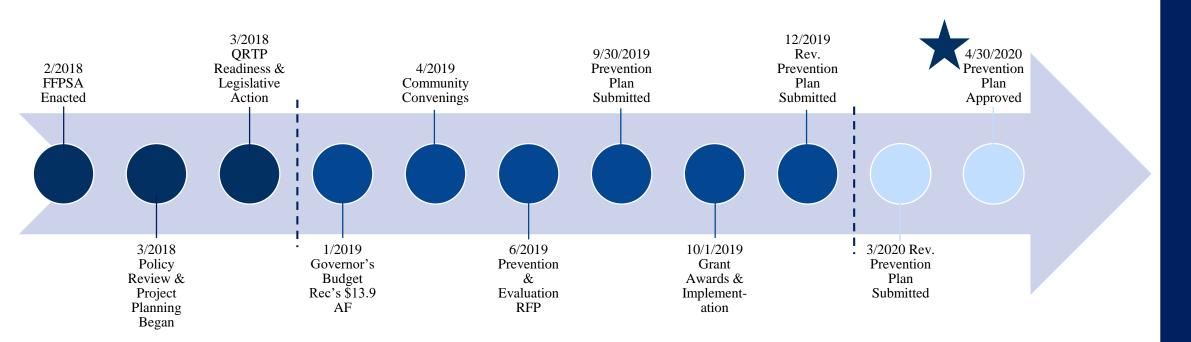


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FFPSA Timeline





FFPSA Prevention Plan Components

How services are accessed Service eligibility Community collaboration Bi-monthly review with ACF No formal schedule for updates, but amendments may be submitted as needed



FFPSA Prevention Plan Components

Prevention Services Description

16 Family First grantees • Evidence Base

Addressing limitations on title IV-E Foster Care maintenance payments for placements that are not foster family homes

Evaluation Method & Plan

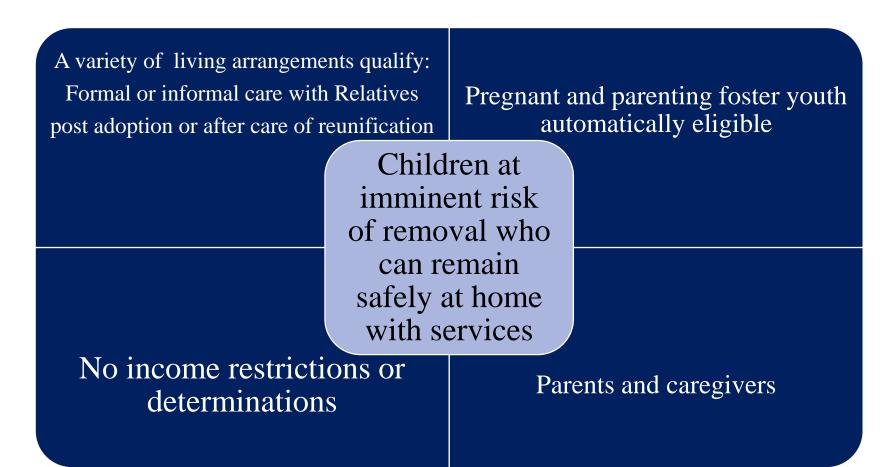
Qualified residential treatment program (QRTP) placements

Addressing the definition of foster family homes & model license standards

Certification on preventing increase to the juvenile justice population



Who can receive prevention services?





Pathway



A report is made to Kansas
Protection Report Center
(KPRC). An intake protection
specialist uses Structured
Decision Making (SDM) to
determine the assignment of the
report.

The report is sent to a DCF Regional Service Center if it meets any criteria of abuse/neglect or family in need of assessment (FINA). The report is assigned to a Child Protection Specialist (CPS) to visit and assess family. The CPS and family work together to find services that promote family well-being and/or child safety to keep families together.

SERVICE TRACK

RISK LEVEL: NOT REQUIRED

Community-Based Providers

RISK LEVEL: AT-RISK OF REMOVAL

Family First Prevention Services

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Family Preservation Services



FFPSA Service Array

SUD

- Parent Child Assistance Program (P-CAP)
- Seeking Safety

MH

- Family Centered Treatment (FCT)*
- Functional Family Therapy (FFT)*
- Parent Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT)*
- Multisystemic Therapy (MST)*

PSB

- Attachment and Biobehavioral Catch-Up (ABC)
- Family Mentoring Program (Nurturing Parenting Program)
- Fostering
 Prevention
 (Nurturing Parenting Program)
- Healthy Families America (HFA)*
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)*

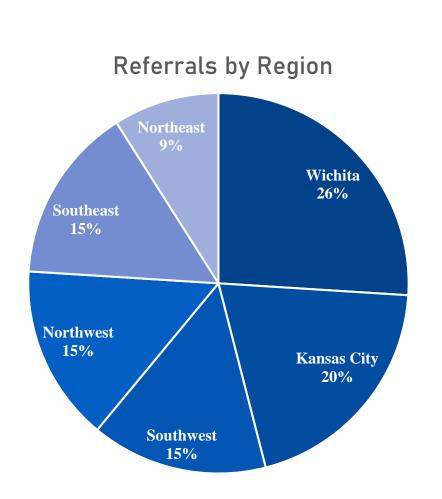
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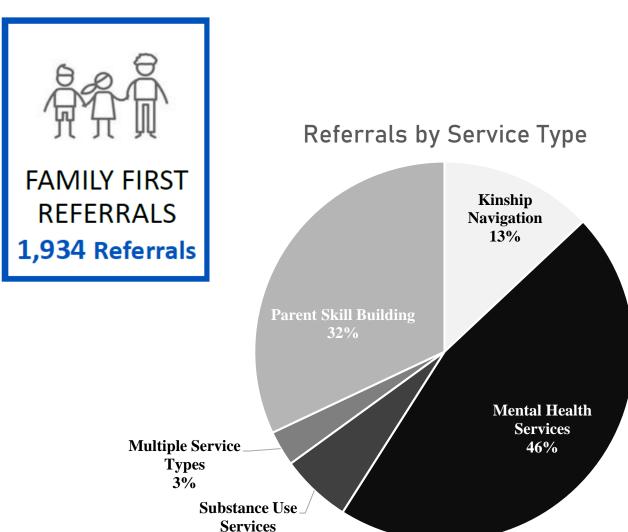
Kinship
 Interdisciplinary
 Navigation
 Technologically
 Advanced Model
 (KIN-TECH)

^{*}Eligible for Family First funding



Activity: October 2019 - August 2021



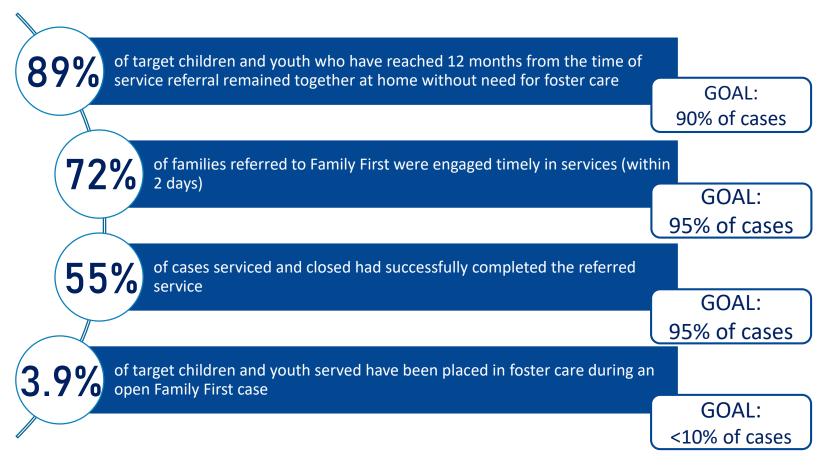


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Outcomes: October 2019 - August 2021

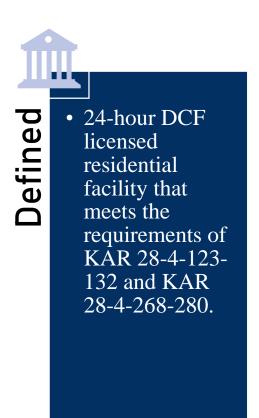








QRTP Components









QRTP Timeline Review

Within 30 days of placement in QRTP, child must complete assessment that is, ageappropriate, functional and clinical by an independent accessor.

Within 60 days of placement in a QRTP, the Court must review assessment and make a Judicial Determination.

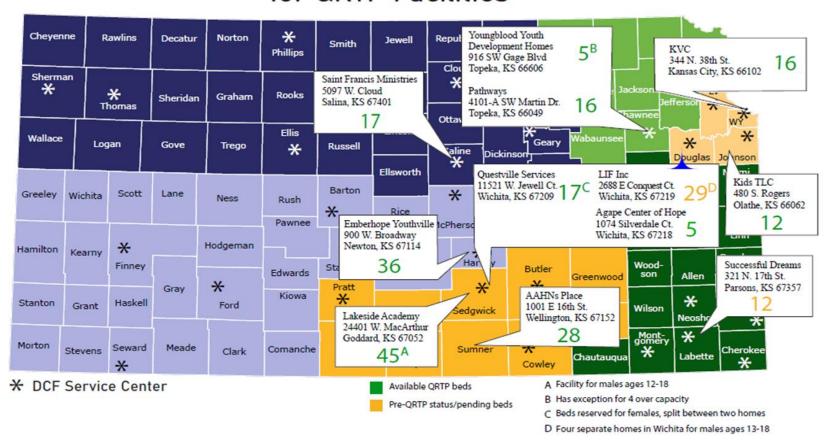
Both the 30-day assessment and court review will determine appropriateness of placement in a QRTP.



QRTP Map: 187 beds as of 9/10/21

Rev: 9-10-21

Kansas Bed Numbers for QRTP Facilities





Prevention Evaluation: KU School of Social Welfare and Center for Public Partnerships & Research



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- Process Evaluation: to document implementation strategies and assess success of service delivery
- Outcomes **Evaluation:** to examine improvements child and family outcomes



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Implementation Indicators

- Readiness &

- Reach
- Collaboration

Service Delivery

- Service



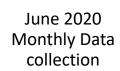
Outcomes

- 90% of children and youth improve wellbeing
- 90% of parents improve functioning in domains of parenting, mental health, and substance use
- 90% of children are maintained safely at home during the service period and within one year of service referral



Prevention Evaluation Activity Timeline



















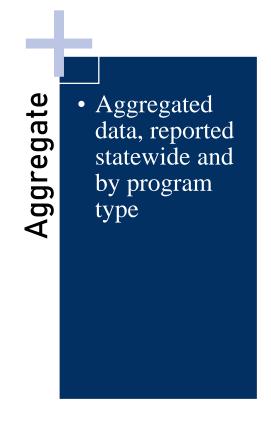
Jan-June 2020 information gathering and Interagency Community Advisory Boards

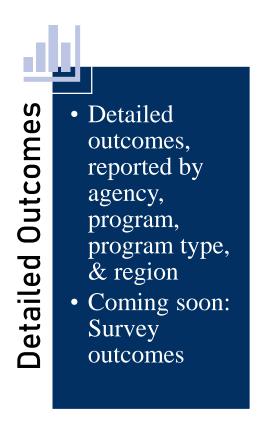
Oct 2020 survey data collection

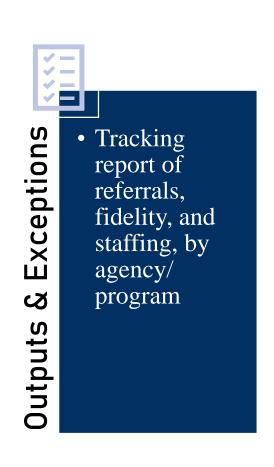
Jul 2021 Family Advisory Council enhances membership on advisory councils



Prevention Evaluation Measures









Advisory Group Governance

- Interagency and Community Advisory Boards (ICAB) includes members of the Family Advisory Council
- Family Advisory Council: 18 Members and 2 Co-chairs
- Members participate in the 1year membership with compensation

