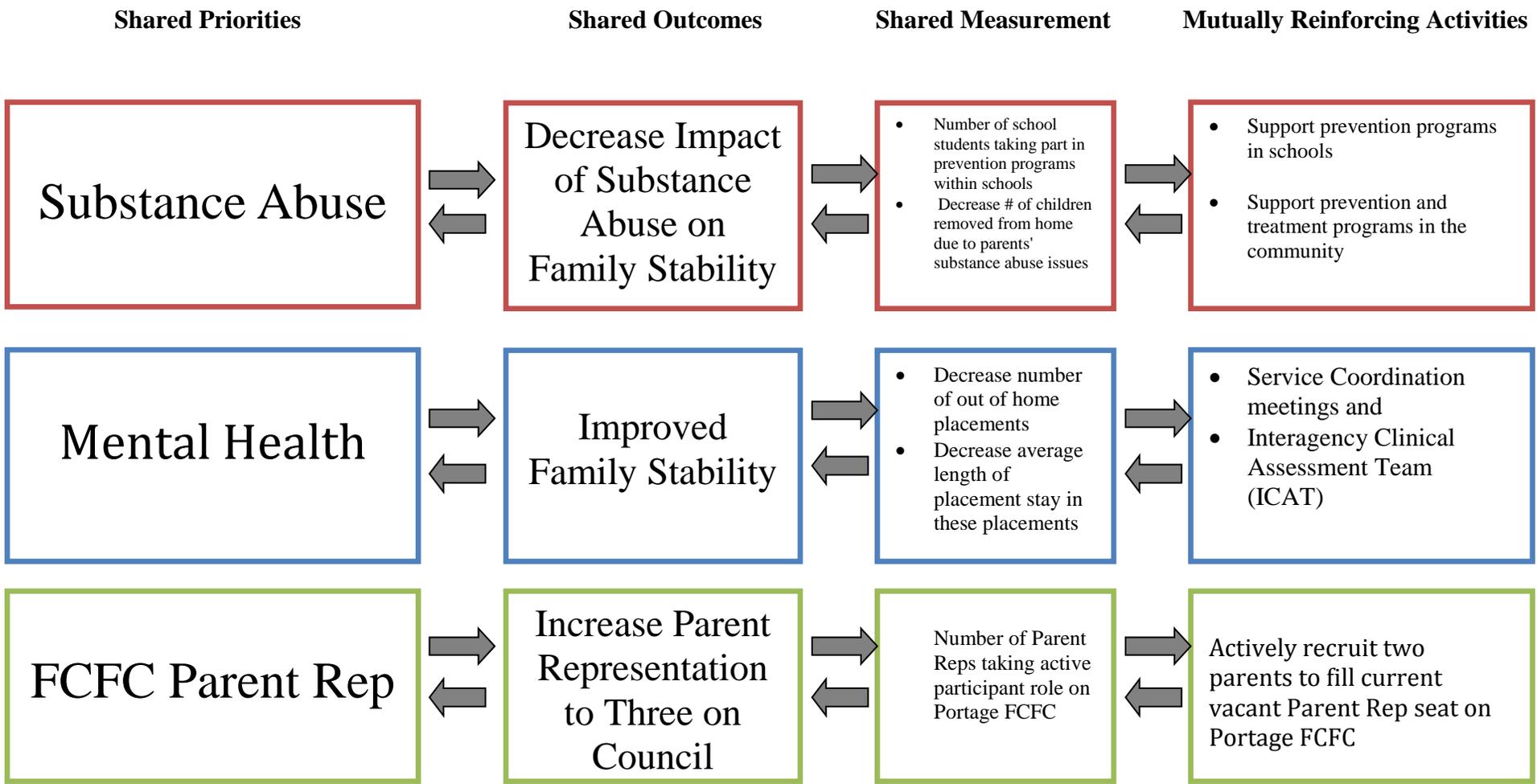


Portage County Family and Children First Council Shared Plan Update for SFYs 17-19

Current FCFC Initiatives: Ohio Early Intervention Services, ICAT



Were there any modifications from last year's plan? Yes No

If yes, please identify the types of changes made by checking the appropriate boxes below:

Priorities

Outcomes

Indicators

Strategies

1. Identify any barriers in implementing the plan (i.e. data collection, data tracking, funding, infrastructure, etc.)

Barriers in implementing the Shared Plan include: lack of funding, opioid epidemic, lack of school buy-in (three districts within PC had no programming) to drug prevention programs. One of the three has contacted THII to add To Good For Drugs to their curriculum.

The following are SD that participated during the 2016/2017 SY:

Crestwood = K

Field - 6th

Garfield – K, 3rd, 6th, 7th, 8th

Kent – 6th

Mogadore – 6th

Ravenna – K, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th

Rootstown – 1st

Streetsboro – K, 3rd, 8th

Waterloo – K, 1st, 8th

2. Identify any successes/how implementing this plan has worked to strengthen the council and county collaboration.

Portage County FCFC has seen a drop in mandated members attending FCFC meetings over the past several years. During 2017, the Council Chair and Coordinator worked very hard at bringing those members back to the table. This effort was successful and will continue to be worked on throughout the upcoming year as not all mandated members are attending regularly. FCFC Portage also saw an increase in agencies who are not mandated members, which increased the numbers of mandated and non mandated members. Lastly, the number of guests attending FCFC meetings has increased throughout the year.

Report on Indicator Data (Provide data for each outcome indicator listed on the Shared Plan. List only ONE outcome per page. This page can be duplicated as needed).

Shared Outcome: Substance Abuse/Decrease Impact of Substance Abuse on Family Stability

Shared Measurement Indicator(s):	Baseline Data	Current Year Data	Direction of Change (+, -, NC)
Number of school students taking part in prevention programs within schools	Data: 1559 Year of Data: 2016 K-12 students	Data: 3143 Year of Data: 2017 K-12 students	+1584
Decrease # of children removed from home due to parents' substance abuse issues	Data: 69 Year of Data: 2016	Data: 118 Year of Data: 2017	+49

3. List the data source(s) for the indicator(s):

For the measurement indicator of "Number of school students taking part in prevention programs within schools," the data is from Townhall II which is the agency that provides the prevention programs within the schools in Portage County.

For the measurement indicator of "Decrease # of children removed from home due to parents' substance abuse issues," the data is from Portage County JFS.

4. Identify any key findings (explanation of data findings; FCFC actions taken in response to key findings, etc.):

Numbers for MI#2 have increased due to opioid epidemic as well over 50% of the children removed from their homes was due to the drug and/or alcohol addictions of their parents/guardians. Resources (funding) and lack of services in Portage County impacts this.

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Shared Outcome: Mental Health/Improved Family Stability

Shared Measurement Indicator(s):	Baseline Data	Current Year Data	Direction of Change (+, -, NC)
Decrease number of out of home placements	Data: 315 JFS; 20 ICAT Year of Data: 2016	Data: 354 JFS; 10 ICAT Year of Data: 2017	+39 JFS -10 ICAT
Decrease average length of placement stay in these placements	Data: 3 months Year of Data: 2016	Data: 3.5 Months Year of Data: 2017	+.5 month

5. List the data source(s) for the indicator(s):

ICAT Team meeting data from Mary McCracken, ICAT Coordinator.
Data from Portage County JFS, Reva Weekly.

6. Identify any key findings (explanation of data findings; FCFC actions taken in response to key findings, etc.):

At times, the average length of stay may increase due to the severity of needs of the children. This past year, we had a couple of children who required several more months of care due to their high risk behaviors, particularly suicidality.

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Shared Outcome: FCFC Family Representative/Increase Parent Representation to Three on Council

Shared Measurement Indicator(s):	Baseline Data	Current Year Data	Direction of Change (+, -, NC)
Number of Family Reps taking active participant role on Portage FCFC	Data: 1 Year of Data: 2016	Data: 3 Year of Data: 2017	+2

7. List the data source(s) for the indicator(s):

Joel Mowrey, FCFC Chair
 Denise Meyer, FCFC Coordinator
 George Joseph, Kent City Schools Superintendent was instrumental in recruiting the two added FR.

8. Identify any key findings (explanation of data findings; FCFC actions taken in response to key findings, etc.):

Portage FCFC Council members worked diligently in recruiting efforts to add two more Family Reps. FCFC will work the upcoming year to increase FR active participation. This will include starting with a separate meeting with Family Representatives to talk about their perceived needs and ideas to address these needs across the County. Council made a conscious effort to represent diverse portions of Portage County.

Meet our Family Representatives:

Cathy Griggy is one of the newest Family Representatives added to Portage FCFC. She has been married for 19 years and is a stay at home mom of two girls ages 16 & 14. She and her family live in Suffield. Being one of the newest additions to the FCFC Council, she is looking forward to learning her role as a FR and how she can benefit the council. She is excited to share the information she learns about PC services to families within her community that could benefit from services that I am made aware of by being a member of the council.

Maria Pemberton is a wife, mom, childcare provider in addition to a college student at Kent State University where her husband works. They have three children: two daughters, ages 23 and 19, and a son, age 17 live in Windham. Their oldest daughter received EI and school-age services from the Portage County Board of DD and currently receives adult services. Maria's passion is advocating for students and their families, especially those impacted by disabilities. She is a member of an organization in Windham called the Community and School Partnership (CSP). CSP works to bridge the gaps between families and the Windham school district and also provides support for families, teachers, and administrators. She is the Surrogate parent for WSD. She is excited to be a part of Portage FCFC because she enjoys helping her community.

Jeanne Schmidlin lives with her husband in Franklin Township. She has two grown daughters, one of which has a disability and receives services from the Portage County Board of Developmental Disabilities. Jeanne has been the Parent Mentor for Kent City School for 22 years. In that position she facilitates communication between home and school for those families that have children with special needs. A critical piece is assisting families to connect with local agencies that can provide them with the services they need. Jeanne finds that serving on FCFC familiarizes her with the services available in Portage County and how to access those services. Hopefully, Jeanne can provide the Council with emerging concerns, struggles and successes of the families she serves. Jeanne originally started attending FCFC meetings in 1995 to provide her with a means of networking in the community.