

**Our Goal:** The Kansas Family First Prevention Service Evaluation is a 3-year study examining the impact of prevention programs to strengthen families and prevent child welfare involvement in the state of Kansas. This project assesses implementation and outcomes related to the delivery of these community-based programs targeting mental health, parent skill building, kinship navigation, and substance use. Our goal is to provide evidence of the effectiveness of prevention services in Kansas to keep children safely with their families whenever possible.



FAMILY FIRST REFERRALS 3,645 Referrals

### **REFERRALS BY SERVICE TYPE**

48% Mental Health Services **30%** Parent Skill Building 15% Kinship Navigation

6% Substance Use Services 4% Multiple Service Types

# BY THE NUMBERS

#### Family First Outcomes

of target children and youth who have reached 12 months from the time of service referral 88% remained together at home without need for foster care.\* of families referred to Family First were en-74% gaged timely in services (within 2 days). (GOAL: 95% of cases) of cases served and closed had successfully 46% completed the referred service. (GOAL: 95% of cases) of target children and youth served have been placed in 5% foster care during an open Family First case.\*





\*Target children are candidates for care within the target age range of the referred program

Data Source: Kansas Department for Children and Families FACTS

(GOAL: Less than 10% of cases)



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**Mental Health** services are therapeutic services delivered by a qualified clinician such as Family Centered Treatment, Functional Family Therapy, Parent Child Interaction Therapy, and Multi-Systemic Therapy. Mental Health services account for 48% of all Family First Referrals statewide.

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#### Family First Mental Health Outcomes

88%	of target children and youth who have reached 12 months from the time of service referral remained together at home without need for foster care.*	501 <sup>thest</sup>
75%	of families referred to Family First were en- gaged timely in services (within 2 days). (GOAL: 95% of cases)	
53%	of cases served and closed had successfully completed the referred service. (GOAL: 95% of cases)	
5%	of target children and youth served have been placed in foster care during an open Family First case. * (GOAL: Less than 10% of cases)	SCHO SOCIAL V
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**Parent Skill Building** services are in-home skill-based programs that include parenting skills training and education, including Parents as Teachers, Attachment & Biobehavioral Catch-Up, Nurturing Parenting Program, and Healthy Families America. Parent Skill Building services account for 30% of all Family First Referrals statewide.

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#### Family First Parent Skill Building Outcomes

89%	of target children and youth who have reached 12 months from the time of service referral re- mained together at home without need for fos- ter care.*	
72%	of families referred to Family First were engaged timely in services (within 2 days). (GOAL: 95% of cases)	
29%	of cases served and closed had successfully com- pleted the referred service. (GOAL: 95% of cases)	
5%	of target children and youth served have been place in foster care during an open Family First case.* (GOAL: Less than 10% of cases)	

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**Kinship Navigation** programs like Kids2Kin provide legal help for kinship families, eliminating legal barriers around permanency for kinship families. Kinship Navigation services account for 15% of all Family First Referrals statewide.

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#### Family First Kinship Navigation Outcomes

91%	of target children and youth who have reached 12 months from the time of service referral remained together at home without need for foster care.*	
67%	of families referred to Family First were en- gaged timely in services (within 2 days). (GOAL: 95% of cases)	
59%	of cases served and closed had successfully completed the referred service. (GOAL: 95% of cases)	
5%	of target children and youth served have been plac in foster care during an open Family First case.* (GOAL: Less than 10% of cases)	

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FAMILY FIRST SUBSTANCE USE SERVICE REFERRALS 238 Referrals



**Substance Use** services include treatment services delivered by a qualified clinician, such as Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach (A-CRA), Parent Child Assistance Program, and Seeking Safety. Substance Use services account for 6% of all Family First Referrals statewide.

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#### Family First Substance Use Outcomes

79%	of target children and youth who have reached 12 months from the time of service referral remained together at home without need for foster care.*	
91%	of families referred to Family First were en- gaged timely in services (within 2 days). (GOAL: 95% of cases)	
44%	of cases served and closed had successfully completed the referred service. (GOAL: 95% of cases)	
12%	of target children and youth served have been place in foster care during an open Family First case.* (GOAL: Less than 10% of cases)	
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