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## WHAT IS ECCSI?

A family driven process to strengthen the family's knowledge, skills and community linkages to prevent out-of-home placement for ages 0 – 18.

It is a collaborative effort among families, community agencies and other concerned parties to meet the family's needs.

## WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM ECCSI?

Any pregnant woman or family with children, ages 0-18 in which:

- Children ages 0-4, whose caregivers want to divert their children from removal, placement, or hospitalization or returning from placement or hospitalization. For pregnancy through age 4, the Network Meeting is the first initial home visit with the Parent Infant Educator.
- Children ages 5-18, whose caregivers want to divert their children removal, placement, or hospitalization with more than one service system involvement and without criminal charges.

## GOALS

- To increase access and coordinate community based services to meet the family's unique needs.
- To decrease referrals to social services system.
- To identify gaps and barriers to services in the current early childhood development system.

## WHAT IS A NETWORK MEETING

A **Network Meeting** is when the family with children ages 5 to 17 come together to create an individualized family plan with a supportive team made up of people of the family's choice and service providers from various community agencies. The will offer resources and connect with the family to assist with linkages.

*The family and team will:*

- Recognize and appreciate the strengths of the family;
- Discuss the current family concerns and barriers regarding the children at risk and;
- Collaborate to develop a Family Plan for connecting the family to resources that can be of assistance.

*After the network meeting:*

- The ECCSI team stays in contact with the family and the support team to be sure the tasks of the Family Plan are carried out.

## ASPECTS OF ECCSI

- ECCSI, agencies and the family create a plan that is individualized for their family; no two families are alike, therefore, each plan is different.
- Families can expect to be treated with respect.
- The family's input is the most important piece to the family plan; after all, you know your family the best.
- ECCSI provides opportunities to connect you with other families in similar situations.

