

Healthy Families New Jersey

The Center for Human Services Research (CHSR) developed a customized web-based application for <u>Healthy Families New Jersey (HFNJ)</u>.

HFNJ is based on the Healthy Families America model, a research-based, nationally accredited home visitation program designed to promote positive childhood outcomes and family functioning. In 2008, New Jersey merged its Healthy Families Program (HF) with the TANF Initiative for Parents (TIP) Program, thereby making the Healthy Families research-based model available to TANF recipients. There are 22 Healthy Families-TIP (HF-TIP) Programs throughout the state of New Jersey.

EVALUATION & RESEARCH

CHSR worked collaboratively with Prevent Child Abuse New Jersey to revise the Program Information Management System (PIMS) data collection system for the new web-based application. CHSR programmed the application, which required converting data from the old system to the new system, and also trained users and provided technical support. The new system was designed to meet the administrative, programmatic, reporting, and evaluation needs of HF-TIP. The web-based system allowed managers and workers to analyze and advance practice through comprehensive data collection capacity and sophisticated reporting mechanisms.

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