



## New York State Birth Through Five Preschool Development Grant

The Center for Human Services Research (CHSR) was a grant partner on the [New York State Preschool Development Grant Birth Through Five](#) initiative. The vision of this initiative was for every child in New York to be supported by a mixed-delivery system informed by parent voice to provide access to high quality, equitable and comprehensive early care and learning environments and services essential for healthy development and lifelong success.

Grant partners included the New York State (NYS) Council of Children and Families, NYS Early Childhood Advisory Council, the NYS Office of Children and Family Services, the NYS Department of Health, the NYS Office of Mental Health, the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, the NYS Education Department, and the New York Early Childhood Professional Development Institute, City University of New York.

### NEEDS ASSESSMENT

As part of this initiative, CHSR conducted a statewide birth through five needs assessment, and a subsequent update to this needs assessment, to better understand the strengths and needs of NYS's mixed delivery early childhood system. Activities included conducting focus groups with families and providers (with a focus on vulnerable populations); administering an electronic survey for families, direct care staff, and administrators; and reviewing reports, briefings, and published statistics.

### PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

CHSR provided evaluation and feedback to project stakeholders throughout the project to continuously monitor and improve grant activities. The goal of evaluation activities was to establish a valid and reliable system of Continuous Quality Improvement, so that program administrators could make timely and informed decisions regarding mid-course corrections or resource allocations.

### PYRAMID MODEL

CHSR was tasked with developing, testing, and launching an application interface to allow New York State Pyramid Model sites to enter and report on their data. This work included providing ongoing training and support as additional sites begin to use the application

CHSR also provided further evaluation and feedback to project stakeholders through data analysis and monitoring activities.



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## REPORTS

[Needs Assessment Executive Summary](#)

[Needs Assessment Report](#)