MSW CHILD WELFARE STIPEND PROGRAM



The purpose of our Child Welfare Stipend Program is the *education of professional social workers* to effectively serve families who use public child welfare services.

Funds come from Title IV-E of the Social Security Act, which provides support for child welfare services, training, and education. We award these stipends to students intending to work in public child welfare. The stipends are generally awarded for amounts between \$14,000-\$17,000. Each stipend recipient must agree to work in public child welfare in Colorado one year for each year they receive the stipend.

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT



We are continually developing innovative curricula for *new and existing projects*.

OUR TEAM



Our team is *nationally recognized* for its leadership and collaborative work at the national, state, and local level in evaluation, research, technical assistance, education, and training.

CURRENT PROJECTS



The following is a sample of some of the projects and grants we are currently working on . . .

- National Capacity Building Center for Public Child Welfare Agencies
- Capacity Building Center for Tribes
- Colorado Child Welfare Training System
- Communities NOW
- Family Group Decision Making
- Mile High United Way Early Literacy Social Innovation Fund
- National Child Welfare Workforce Institute (NCWWI)
- New York Family Assessment Response (FAR)

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This is our vision.

We continually work to achieve our

ENHANCING THE WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES BY STRENGTHENING PROGRAMS, SYSTEMS, AND COMMUNITES.

WHAT WE DO



We bring together researchers, practitioners, public and private service system experts, and community members to:

- Engage in **Program Evaluation & Research**
- Examine Outcomes
- Provide *Technical Assistance* & Training to administrators, practitioners, families, and community leaders.

Working in collaborative partnership with leadissues facing children, youth, and families and strive to *improve the quality of public human* **services programs** across the United States.

CORE VALUES



We strive to practice, promote, and live by:

COLLABORATION:

Engage and partner to achieve the best

EXCELLENCE:

Deliver services and products of the highest quality.

INTEGRITY:

Meet the highest standard of honesty and accountability; "we do what we say we are going to do."

ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING

For the past two decades, we have partnered with the Federal Department of Health and Human Services and various states, counties, and community entities to enhance the capacity of child and family-serving systems.

Using a *collaborative approach* among formal agencies, the community, and consumers, we advocate for evidencebased practice, sound public policies, and quality services. Our work is informed by ongoing research, knowledge,

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

We develop and deliver a wide range of competency-based training for child welfare workers, foster parents, child welfare supervisors, and managers; department of corrections and juvenile probation personnel; as well as health and mental health agency staff in more than 20 content areas.

We are the *largest training provider* of child welfare staff in Colorado, but also train throughout the nation, even as far away as Bermuda and Hawaii. Each training we develop is created with a particular audience in mind but can be revised to fit your specific needs.

RESEARCH & EVALUATION

We provide program evaluation and research that is *methodologically* rigorous, theoretically informed, and community-based.

We have a demonstrated history of collaboration with university, public, and private partners to conduct research that yields valuable knowledge, supports innovation, and builds capacity and organizational effectiveness in child welfare and human services.





