REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP GRANTS
Planning Year Profile
Grant Period: 2019-2024

EASTERN ILLINOIS REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP INTACT FAMILY RECOVERY PROGRAM

**Lead Agency:** Youth Network Council dba Illinois Collaboration On Youth

**Target Service Area:** Livingston, Ford, Iroquois, McLean, Dewitt, Macon, Shelby, Moultrie, Piatt, Champaign, Douglas, Coles, Cumberland, Vermilion, Edgar, and Clark Counties

**Location:** Chicago, IL

**Administration for Children and Families Region:** 5

**Congressional District Served:** IL-13, 15, 16, & 18

**Brief Program Description**

**Program Description:** The Eastern Illinois Intact Family Recovery (EIL-IFR) Program builds on the evidence-based model which has a growing body of research, including 21 years of outcomes from a long-term demonstration project and randomized control trials among families with children in foster care due to an indicated case of an infant who is substance-exposed. IFR offers Intact Family Services (IFS) services plus specialized case management from a recovery coordinator, participants will be eligible for services for up to 18 months, as opposed to six months for traditional IFS. Illinois Collaboration on Youth (ICOY) proposes to implement the IFR program in eastern Illinois, and to expand and enhance the model in two significant ways: 1) Work with any family with an identified substance use disorder, not just families with a substance-exposed infant; and 2) Apply the model in a range of community settings, from rural, to suburban, to urban. The proposed EILIFR program is an expansion of work that started in northern Illinois and will continue to test the model among mixed-geographical populations. The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) is in the process of adopting the model statewide.

**Target Population:** Families determined to be eligible to receive IFS by DCFS to divert out-of-home placement, have one or more family members with a substance use disorder, and voluntarily participate in services.

**Projected Numbers Served:** A total of 480 families will participate in this project. 240 families will receive IFR and 240 families will receive IFS.

**Major Program Goals**

**Goal 1:** Increase the well-being, permanency, and safety of children by improving their adaptive functioning and behavioral outcomes and keeping them in the care of a healthy, nurturing family.

**Goal 2:** Improve family recovery and stability by decreasing parental substance use via increased access, referral, and retention in substance use treatment and community services, improving parenting skills, and family functioning, and helping to heal the impact of complex trauma for both adults and children.
**Goal 3:** Increase the capacity and effectiveness of child welfare and substance use treatment systems to serve this target population.

### Key Program Services

- Intact Family Services
- Intensive/Non-Intensive Outpatient or Other Step-Down Treatment
- Residential/Inpatient Treatment (Short-Term/Long-Term)
- Family-Centered Substance Use Disorder Treatment
- Family-Based Substance Abuse Services
- Medication Assisted Treatment
- Intact Family Recovery Program
- Early Intervention
- Developmental Services
- Remedial/Academic Supports
- Mental Health Counseling
- Trauma Services for Children/Youth
- Substance Abuse Treatment for Youth/Adolescents with Substance Use Disorders
- Substance Abuse Education, Prevention or Related Support Groups

### Existing or Proposed Partners

- Illinois Department of Children and Family Services
- The Baby Fold (IFS provider)
- Illinois Association for Behavioral Health
- Bethany Christian Services (IFS provider)
- Center for Youth and Family Solutions (IFS provider)
- One Hope United (IFS provider)
- Advocates for Human Potential
- Illinois Department of Human Services – Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery
- Chestnut Health Systems, Inc.
- Illinois Association for Behavioral Health

### Evaluation Design

**Outcome Study Design:** A comprehensive mixed-methods study is proposed, featuring a qualitative process evaluation and a quantitative outcome evaluation. The outcome evaluation proposes using a longitudinal, quasi-experimental design and will assess differences in permanency, safety, child well-being, family functioning and recovery outcomes between IFR and IFS families.

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