

ARKANSAS EARLY CHILDHOOD COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEMS INITIATIVE

WORK PLAN AND TIMELINES

Family Support Work Group			
Activity	Indicators of Success	Date of Expected Completion	Responsible persons or entities
GOAL: PROVIDERS AND FAMILIES WILL HAVE INCREASED AWARENESS AND ACCESS TO AVAILABLE FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES AND RESOURCES.			
Encourage family support agencies/organizations to register their services with Arkansas 211 through conference presentations and information dissemination.	211 presentations are held during in-state conferences (i.e. HIPPY, APEN, Kids Count, AECA) and documented.	June 30, 2010	Family Support Work Group, Children's Trust Fund
Promote family use of Arkansas 211 by encouraging providers to increase family awareness of this service.	211 presentations are held during in-state family conferences and documented.	June 30, 2010	Family Support Work Group, Children's Trust Fund
GOAL: PROVIDERS AND FAMILIES WILL HAVE INCREASED PROVIDER AND PARENT AWARENESS OF PROTECTIVE FACTORS.			
Increase provider awareness of the community café concept through professional development activities and information dissemination.	Two Community Café workshops are documented.	June 30, 2010	Family Support Work Group, Children's Trust Fund
Promote the implementation of community cafes in child care and early childhood	At least 5 centers are implementing the Community Cafés.	June 30, 2010	Family Support Work Group, Children's Trust Fund

education setting through trainings and technical assistance.			
GOAL: ARKANSANS WILL HAVE INCREASED AWARENESS OF THE STRENGTHENING FAMILIES INITIATIVE			
Provide professional development activities and information dissemination to increase provider awareness of the Strengthening Families Initiative.	SFI presentations to child care administrators are documented.	January 31, 2011	Family Support Work Group, Children's Trust Fund
Work with the Child Care Resource and Referral Centers to assist in the dissemination process regarding the Strengthening Families Initiative.	Meetings between Resource and Referrals and DCCECE about implementing PCAN curriculum are conducted and documented.	June 30, 2010	DCCECE

Parenting Education Work Group

ACTIVITY	Indicators of Success	Date of Expected Completion	Responsible persons or entities
GOAL: STATEWIDE PARENTING EDUCATION WILL IMPROVE			
Work with Arkansas 211 program to improve taxonomy of parent education services.	Taxonomy of parent education services is changed.	June 30, 2010	Parent Education Task Force, Arkansas 211 program committee
Utilize Parent Education Task Force to improve statewide collaboration.	Two meetings of the Parent Education task force are held and documented; additional future meetings are planned.	June 30, 2010	Parent Education Task Force
GOAL: THE QUALITY OF PARENT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAMILIES WILL IMPROVE			
Identify needs for parent education in Arkansas through a needs assessment process, including review of current research and curricula.	Needs survey is conducted.	June 30, 2010	Parent Education Task Force
Improve parent education opportunities and services based on results of needs assessment.	Report of needs survey results is disseminated.	September 30, 2010	Parent Education Task Force
Enhance the quality of parent education programs and services through core competencies.	Draft of core competencies is developed and implemented.	Draft: June 30, 2010 Competencies implemented: June 30, 2012	Parent Education Task Force