

Bringing Systems Together for Family Recovery, Safety, and Stability

Working together. Whether you work in Child Welfare, Substance Abuse Treatment, or the Courts, it takes everyone working together to improve outcomes for families affected by substance use disorders.

Learning together.

Understanding each system's practices and procedures and learning to speak each other's languages will help everyone work together more effectively for the benefit of families.

We can help.

The National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare offers technical assistance, training, and informational tools to support your efforts to collaborate.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
Administration for Children and Families

Look What NCSACW Has to Offer

- ◆ Web Site with Information, Resources, and Materials
- ◆ Consultation on Building Collaboration among Substance Abuse Treatment, Child Welfare Agencies, and the Court Systems
- ◆ Free Accredited Online Courses for Professionals
 - Understanding Substance Use Disorders, Treatment and Family Recovery: A Guide for Child Welfare Professionals
 - Understanding Child Welfare and the Dependency Court: A Guide for Substance Abuse Treatment Professionals
 - Understanding Substance Use Disorders, Treatment and Family Recovery: A Guide for Legal Professionals

Collaboration in Action. Child welfare, substance abuse treatment and court professionals in States, Tribes, Counties, and communities across the country are coming together on behalf of families. They are:

- Developing Memoranda of Understanding and shared values statements to guide their collaboration
- Putting screening and assessment protocols in place to enhance parent engagement and retention in services
- Identifying the special needs of children affected by substance abuse
- Creating data systems and information sharing protocols that can support cross-system case management
- Finding creative ways to fund comprehensive family centered services.



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