



CHILD DEVELOPMENT DIVISION (CDD)

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CDD Strategic Outcomes



- All Vermont children are healthy, happy and successful.
- Vermont is a great place to be a child and raise a family
- The well-being of Vermont's children is improved through CDD partnerships with families, communities, schools, providers and state and federal agencies that increase affordable access to high quality services that are developmentally beneficial for children and strengthen families

CDD Clients

- Pregnant and postpartum women
- Children from birth – age 6 and their families
- Children 6 – 13 in after school programs
- Early childhood and afterschool programs and professionals



Strengthening Families Framework



5 Protective Factors

- Parental resilience
- Social Connections
- Knowledge of parenting and child development
- Concrete support in times of need
- Children's social and emotional development

CDD Services & Programs

Promotion

- Universal Prekindergarten
- Parenting education
- Playgroups
- Consumer Information for families
- Child Care Licensing & Monitoring
- Child Care Capacity Building
- Starting Points Networks
- Vermont STARS
- Northern Lights at CCV
- TEACH
- Child Care Apprenticeship

CDD Services & Programs

Prevention

- Child Care Financial Assistance Program (CC FAP)
- CIS Evidence Based/Informed Home Visiting Programs
- Comprehensive Early Care and Learning (ECL) Programs
- Head Start State Collaboration Office
- Support for pregnant and parenting teens
- CIS Mental Health Consultation for ECL Programs
- Outreach & Referral Services

CDD Services & Programs

Early
Intervention

Children's Integrated Services (CIS)

- CIS Early Intervention Developmental Services and Therapies
- CIS Specialized Child Care Services
- CIS Early Childhood and Family Mental Health Services

Systems and Partnerships

CDD is a collaborative partner and leader in developing integrated early childhood and afterschool systems in Vermont.

- Building Bright Futures Statewide Advisory & Regional Councils
- Vermont Early Childhood Framework and Action Plan
- Parent Child Centers
- Head Start Collaboration Office/ VT Head Start Grantees
- Community College of Vermont
- Universal Preschool with AOE
- Vermont Afterschool
- Prevent Child Abuse Vermont



CDD Fast Facts

- ~ 36,818 children under 6 in Vermont
- 1250 regulated CC programs
(570 FCCH, 512 CBCCPP & 164 AS)
- Capacity for 22,294 children (all ages) in regulated CC programs
- 936 programs (75%) participate in STARS (Sept 18)
- 392 are qualified Prekindergarten Education Programs (250 private 142 public)
- ~ 8000 EC professionals work in early childhood and afterschool programs
- ~ 2000 trainings delivered across the state
- Average 8000 children (5000-6000 families) participate in CC FAP
- ~ 6400 annual referrals to CIS – has increased annually
- \$47.9 million investment in CC FAP
- Over \$4 million investment in professional development and quality supports, and comprehensive early care and learning programs



Recent Accomplishments

- Increasing quality of early care and learning programs
 - 72% Centers and 45% FCC Homes are 3 – 5 STARS
 - 56% of CC FAP assisted children are in 3-5 STAR programs
- Vermont STARS Evolution
- Children's Integrated Services in every region of Vermont
- Increased infant-toddler rates in CC FAP
- Three additional child care licensors hired
- CDD Facebook page and child care provider group
- Successful wrap up of Race to the Top-Early Learning Challenge Grant
- Awarded \$3.4 million in Preschool Development Birth -5 Grant for 2019



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