



## **The Colorado Practice Model**

The Colorado Practice Model (CPM) is a statewide reform of Child Welfare practices designed to improve child safety, permanency and well-being.

CPM will increase accountability, create consistency, prepare employees, clarify expectations, promote data driven decisions, and improve collaboration between the state and counties.

Since the initiative launched in March of 2010, more than 2,000 child welfare practitioners have been engaged in defining a statewide practice model, that was officially implemented in February of 2011.

Seventeen counties and the Southern Ute Tribe are currently using the practice model. Over the next three years, it is expected that all 64 counties will be using this new model of providing services for children and families.

Every county in the State will participate in building the model by adding practices to the Compendium of Promising Practices which will improve the outcomes for children. Through a collaborative peer learning culture, counties work together to continuously improve the efficiency, effectiveness and elegance of child welfare services throughout the state.