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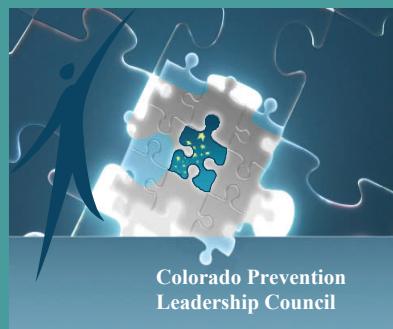
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# Colorado Prevention Leadership Council



Improving the Health,  
Education, Safety, and  
Well-being of Children  
and Youth

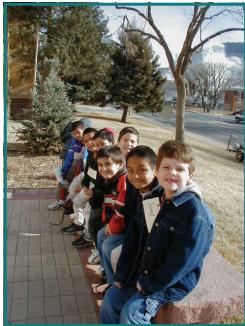
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Colorado Prevention  
Leadership Council

The Colorado Prevention Leadership Council strives for these desired outcomes for children and youth in Colorado—

- ◆ All infants and children thrive.
- ◆ All children are ready for school.
- ◆ All children and youth succeed in school.
  - ◆ All youth choose healthy behaviors.
  - ◆ All youth avoid trouble/illegal behavior.
- ◆ All children live in caring and supportive families.
- ◆ All children and youth live in safe and supporting communities.



### Vision

A coordinated system of quality prevention, early intervention and treatment services to improve the health and well-being of all children, youth and families in Colorado.

### Mission

The mission of the Prevention Leadership Council is to provide a strong, unified voice for prevention and early intervention, and treatment in Colorado and to promote coordinated planning, implementation and evaluation of quality prevention and early intervention services for children, youth and families at the state and local level.

### Values

A streamlined and coordinated system for the delivery of prevention, intervention and treatment services benefits children and youth. To this end, the Colorado Prevention Leadership Council adheres to these values—

- ◆ Provide services and supports in the most appropriate and least restrictive environment and in the home community of the child, youth and family.
- ◆ Support a child, youth and family focus in program design.
- ◆ Honor diverse cultural values within communities.
- ◆ Promote individual responsibility and strengths through the enhancement of resiliency, protective factors and developmental assets.
- ◆ Reduce disparities leading to negative outcomes among groups most at risk.
- ◆ Assure that programs have research-based principles as their foundation.
- ◆ Remain flexible and open to new ideas and community initiatives.
- ◆ Maintain state and local prevention, early intervention and treatment partnerships that foster the health and well-being of Colorado children and youth.

The Colorado Prevention Leadership Council consists of representatives from six state agencies, two universities and various partners, and was created through state legislation to promote coordinated planning, implementation, and evaluation of quality prevention, intervention and treatment services for children, youth, and families at the state and local level.

## Goals

- Coordinate and streamline state-level processes including common grant applications elements, common criteria for selection of programs, common processes for monitoring and program review, joint demonstration projects, and state plan.
- Enhance the capacity of local communities and prevention, intervention and treatment providers through a coordinated system of training and technical assistance.
- Enhance prevention, intervention and treatment services through the application of standards for service delivery, promoting "best practices/best processes," and fostering rigorous program evaluation.
- Assure that enhanced/user-friendly data are available to local communities to assist in local planning and decision-making process.
- Develop and maintain a mechanism to ensure collaborative planning and decision-making among local service providers, community groups and state agencies.
- Promote prevention, intervention and treatment services for children and youth by reporting program outcomes and accomplishments to key decision-making groups.



**Colorado Prevention Leadership Council Membership  
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**Partners and Initiatives**

Colorado Prevention Partners

Collaborative Management for Multi-Agency Services (HBO4-1451)

Colorado Connections for Healthy Schools

Colorado LINKS for Mental Health

Colorado Medical Home Initiative

Colorado Systems of Care Collaborative

Early Childhood State Systems Team/  
Smart Start Colorado

Enhancing State Capacity to Address Adolescent Health Through Violence Prevention (ESCAPE).

Teen Motor Vehicle Leadership Alliance

Violence Prevention Advisory Group

**Interagency Prevention Systems Program**

The Interagency Prevention Systems Program was established within the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment/Prevention Services Division in 2003 with the responsibility of oversight of C.R.S. 25-20.5-101-109. The staff of the program work closely with the Prevention Leadership Council.

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