Leading Change – Transforming, Expanding, and Advancing the FTC Movement to Better Serve Children and Families

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Learning Objectives

1. Explore the progression of the FDC movement from inception, to program enhancement and expansion, and towards systems change.

2. Understand the goals of the National Strategic Plan for FDCs and how they provide a roadmap for larger systems change.

3. Develop leadership capacity to become a champion for the FDC movement and advance policy and practice in your jurisdiction.
Part of Greater Whole

FDCs are part of larger systems

How can the FDC be a catalyst for change?

Do you know the total need or the scale of the problem?

Do you know how these systems work for all children and families?
Family Drug Court Movement

1999: 10
2001: 40
2005: 153
2010: 322
2013: 360
2015: 340
2016: 370
2017: 495
With Growth Comes...

New Opportunities

Funding and Legislation
Appropriated for Fiscal Year 2018

$330 million to the OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS (OJP) for comprehensive opioid abuse reduction activities, including as authorized by CARA:

$75 million for Drug Courts representing a 92% increase
$30 million Mental Health Courts & Adult and Juvenile Collaboration Program Grants Program
$30 million for Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners Grants
$20 million Veterans Treatment Courts Program
$30 million Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
$145 million Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program

Funds will be contracted by September 30, 2018
Fiscal Year 2018

$282.5 million

Appropriated for to the OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PROGRAMS (OJJDP)

$60 million for Drug Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment Program Grants

$94 million Youth Mentoring Grants

$27.5 million for Delinquency Prevention Programs

$21 million for Victims of Child Abuse Programs

$76 million for Missing and Exploited Children Programs

$2 million for Judicial Child Abuse Training Programs

$2 million for Program to Improve Juvenile Indigent Defense

$5 million Tribal Youth Programs

$4 million for gang and youth violence education, prevention and intervention

$500 thousand for Children of Incarcerated Parents information and resources website

$2 million competitive grants focusing on girls in juvenile justice system

$8 million for community-based violence prevention initiatives

$8 million for opioid affected youth initiative

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Opportunity

- Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA)
- Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA)
- Plans of Safe Care (PoSC)
**Family First Prevention Services Act (2018)**

**makes changes to federal child welfare financing**, including allowing for federal Title IV-E dollars to reimburse states for substance use, mental health prevention and treatment services and parenting programs for children at imminent risk of being placed in foster care and their families.

- **Provisions Related to Substance Use and Mental Health Treatment for Families**
  - Reimbursement for Family Residential Substance Use Disorder Treatment – **October 1, 2018**
  - Use of Title IV-E Funds to Prevent Child Placement in Out-of-Home Care – **October 1, 2019**
  - Reauthorization of Regional Partnership Grants
Appropriated for Fiscal Year 2018 to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

$1 billion in new funding for State Opioid Response Grants including:

- $8,724,000 for Opioid Treatment Programs/Regulatory Activities
- $29,931,000 for Pregnant and Postpartum Women
- $70,000,000 for SAMHSA Treatment Drug Court Grants

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Appropriated for Fiscal Year 2018 to the Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

$60 million for increase for CAPTA State Grants

$99,765,000 in additional Discretionary and Targeted Grant funds including:

$20 million for Regional Partnership Grants

$20 million for Kinship Navigator Programs
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Appropriated for Fiscal Year 2018 to the Department of Education

$470 million for State Grants for Infants and Families

Opportunities
A Road Map for the Movement

Family Drug Court

National Strategic Plan

Each session tied to one of these goals!

1. Ensure Quality Implementation
2. Expansion of FDC Reach
3. Build Evidence Base

Available at https://www.cffutures.org/report/national-strategic-plan/
Every family in the child welfare system affected by parental/caregiver substance use disorders will have timely access to comprehensive and coordinated screening, assessment and service delivery for family’s success.
Disproportionality and Equity

Accountability to the FDC Model

Being Apart from Systems Change vs. Being A Part of Systems Change

Disproportionality and Equity

Top 3 Threats to the FDC Movement
Session Format

Threat to FDC Movement

National Strategic Plan Goal

Brainstorm and Report Out

Solutions and Opportunities

Taking Action

TA Tools and Sessions
What is Leadership?

Providing the **vision** and the **drive** to use resources to get results while **building trusted relationships** within staff and amongst partners.

Client-Centered and Empathetic
What is Leadership?

Influence  Persuasion, Trust, Commitment — Illustrating the Vision, Building Relationships, and Gaining Commitment

Barrier Busting & Results-Based Accountability — Transform
Ensuring Adequate Information Flow & Data-Driven Decision-Making

Cultivate  Building Champions and Growing Resources —
Develop New and Existing Leaders and Increase Resources
Commit! then Network and Share!

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We want to hear about the results of your commitment to #TakingAction4Families

Contact us at FDC@cffutures.org to share your story or to receive technical assistance.

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1. Accountability to the FDC Model
National Strategic Plan for FDCs

Goal #1

Ensure Quality Implementation
SOLUTIONS and OPPORTUNITIES

Building Capacity for Quality Implementation
National Standards for Family Drug Courts
Building Capacity for Quality Implementation

STRATEGIES and CRITICAL QUESTIONS
Family-Focused Treatment and Services

Timely Assessment and Access to Services

Recovery Planning and Reunification

Parenting/Family Time

Comprehensive Quality Services for Parents and Children
Family Treatment Court Structure

Regular Structured Staffing Meetings and Court Hearings

Collaborative Case Management

Therapeutic Responses to Behavior

Data and Information Sharing
Continuous Quality Improvement

- Ongoing Evaluation of Program
- Staff Training
- Data Dashboard
- Court Observation
TAKING ACTION

Ensuring Quality Implementation

SSIP Grantees
• Ohio
• Iowa

Peer Learning Courts
• Miami-Dade County DDC (FL)
• Tulsa County FDC (OK)
TOOLS and RESOURCES

Planning Guide for Family Drug Courts
Data Dashboard
Court Observation Tools
FDC Needs Assessment

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https://www.cffutures.org/national-fdc-tta-program/
Be sure to check it out!

Moving Beyond Guidance: A Sneak Preview of the Upcoming National Family Drug Court Standards

Phil Breitenbucher, MSW | Children and Family Futures
Jane Pfeifer, MPA | Children and Family Futures

Terrence Walton, MSW, CSAC | NADCP
Meghan Wheeler, MS | NADCP

Training Session | TS-13 | Thursday, May 31st at 1:15pm - 2:30pm
Ready-Set-Go! 5 Key Planning Decisions to Help You Successfully Launch Your Family Treatment Court

Jane Pfeifer, MPA | Children and Family Futures
Alexis Balkey, MPA | Children and Family Futures

Families First: Taking Family Dependency Treatment Courts to the Next Level | D-4
Thursday, May 31st at 3:15pm - 4:15pm
15 minute break
Top 3 Threats to the FDC Movement

1. Accountability to the FDC Model

2. Being Apart from Systems Change vs. Being A Part of Systems Change
ASPE Study Findings: Overdose Deaths and Foster Care Caseloads, 2002 to 2016

Sources: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality; HHS/ACF, Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System.

10% increase in overdose death rates corresponds to increases in...

- Reports of maltreatment: 2.3%
- Substantiated Reports: 2.6%
- Foster Care Placements: 4.5%

Sources: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality; HHS/ACF, Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System.
ASPE Study Findings: Counties where Rates of Drug Overdose Deaths and Foster Care Entries were both above the National Median in 2015

Sources: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality; HHS/ACF, Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System.
National Strategic Plan for FDCs

Goal #2

Expansion of FDC Reach
SOLUTIONS and OPPORTUNITIES

Systems
Change
Paradigm Shift

Project Thinking

Systems Thinking
Matching Services to Needs

Low Risk
Child Welfare Factors
- High Risk
Treatment and Services
- High Need

Family Treatment Courts

Continuum of Care

Applying What Works for Families Affected by Substance Use Disorders to Achieve Larger Systems Change

- Early system of identifying families in need of substance use disorder treatment
- Family-centered treatment and services to improve parent-child relationships
- Collaborative non-adversarial approaches and efficient cross-systems communication
- Timely access to assessment and treatment services
- Increased judicial oversight
- Increased management of recovery services and compliance with treatment
- Systematic response for participants – contingency management
SOLUTIONS and OPPORTUNITIES

Funding
FDC Services
Just Appropriated

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To Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

$27.5 million for Delinquency Prevention Programs (e.g., tribal youth programs, opioid affected youth, girls in juvenile justice)

$470 million
To Department of Education for state grants to infants and families
$70 million
SAMHSA Drug Courts

$60 million
CAPTA state grants to implement PoSC

$20 million
Regional Partnership Grants

$20 million
Kinship Navigator Programs

$1 billion
Treatment funds for states (SAMHSA)

$40 million
ACF to provide substance abuse and mental health services to families in CWS

$5 million
Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health Program

Just Appropriated
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Funding FDC Services

STRATEGIES and CRITICAL QUESTIONS
Redirection of Resources Already Here

The “Real” Resources Already in the Community

Do any of these entities share and serve the same families?

Pilots, Demos, and Grant-funded Projects

Drug Courts

TANF

Domestic Violence

Courts

Hospitals

Medicaid

Police

Families

Substance Use Disorder Treatment

Housing

Mental Health
Expanding the Reach of FDCs

**SSIP Grantees**
- Colorado
- New York

**Peer Learning Courts**
- Sacramento EIFDC (CA)
- Tompkins County FTC (NY)

**Taking Action**
TOOLS and RESOURCES

Statewide Systems Improvement Program - Lessons

Peer Learning Court Profiles

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https://www.cffutures.org/national-fdc-tta-program/
Connecting VTCs and VJO Services Through Collaborative Court Staffing: Improving Service Delivery to Veterans, Their Children, and Families Through Family-Centered Approaches

Larisa Owen, PhD, MBA | Children and Family Futures
Mary Kreber Varipapa, JD | Superior Court of California, County of Orange
Jeremiah Jones, AB, AS | Strong Families, Strong Children

VTCs: Advanced Issues | VCC-B-3 | Thursday, May 31st at 11:00am - 12:15pm
A New Approach – FTCs as Part of a Continuum of Care

Theresa Lemus, MBA, RN, LADC | Children and Family Futures
Tessa Richter, LCSW, MSW | Children and Family Futures

Families First: Taking Family Dependency Treatment Courts to the Next Level | E-4
Thursday, May 31st at 4:45pm - 6:15pm

Be sure to check it out!
Family Matters – Transitioning to a Family Centered Approach in All Drug Courts

Phil Breitenbucher, MSW | Children and Family Futures
Carolyn Hardin, MPA | National Association of Drug Court Professionals

Concurrent General Session | CG-17 | Friday, June 1st at 1:45pm - 3:00pm

Be sure to check it out!
Developing a Plan of Safe Care: What Your Family Treatment Court Needs to Know about Serving Pregnant and Parenting Women with Opioid Use Disorders

Nancy K. Young, PhD, MSW | Children and Family Futures

Concurrent General Session | CG-28 | Friday, June 1st at 3:15pm – 4:30pm
Accountability to the FDC Model

Being Apart from Systems Change vs. Being A Part of Systems Change

Disproportionality and Equity
National Strategic Plan for FDCs

Goal #3

Build the Evidence Base
SOLUTIONS and OPPORTUNITIES

FDC Research
Update from the field...

State of FDC Research

What Has Been Accomplished?
STRATEGIES and CRITICAL QUESTIONS

FDC Research
Evidence-Based Implementation
Multi-Disciplinary Governance Structure

Executive/Oversight Committee

Planning Team

Steering Committee

FTC Operational Team
Family-Focused Treatment and Services

Timely Assessment and Access to Services

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Equity Strategies and Critical Questions
Multi-Site FTDC Programs (Example B)

The racial/ethnic disparities among children entering FTDC programs are substantial.

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For five grantees, this disparity was much greater compared to the other grantees (Range of disparities for five grantees -4% to 56%).
Multi-Site FTDC Programs (Example B)

% African American Children Who Entered FTDC Programs Compared with Child Welfare Population as Reported by AFCARS 2015

AFCARS
Average: 41.5%

FTDC
Average: 14.4%
Multi-Site FTDC Programs (Example B)

% Hispanic Children Who Entered FDTC Programs Compared with Child Welfare Population as Reported by AFCARS 2015

FTDC

AFCARS

Average: 20.8%

Average: 17.4%
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TAKING ACTION

Building the Evidence Base

SSIP Grantees
• Colorado

Peer Learning Courts
• Jefferson County FIT Court (CO)
• Wapello County FTC (IA)
• Dunklin County FTC (MO)
• King County FTC (WA)

Leaders Call to Action!
TOOLS and RESOURCES

- Process and Outcomes Studies
- Evidence-Based Programs

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TOOLS and RESOURCES

Family First Prevention Services Act

CAPTA, CARA, and Plans of Safe Care

Children and Families Track Sessions

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TOOLS and RESOURCES

- National Strategic Plan for FDCs
- Learning Academy
- Statewide Systems Improvement Program
- Peer Learning Court Program
- Prevention and Family Recovery Program
- Resources and Publications

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Part of the Problem or Solution? Addressing Racial Disproportionality and Disparities in FTC

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Russ Bermejo, MSW | Children and Family Futures

Families First: Taking Family Dependency Treatment Courts to the Next Level | B-4
Thursday, May 31st at 11:00am - 12:15pm

Be sure to check it out!
Healing the Family – Tribes and Counties Working Together within the FTC and FTHWC

Lauren van Schilfgaarde, JD | Tribal Law and Policy Institute
Jennifer Foley, BA | Children and Family Futures

Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts | D-7 | Thursday, May 31st at 3:15pm – 4:30pm
Checklist to Change - Readiness to Reality

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Tessa Richter, LCSW, MSW | Children and Family Futures

Families First: Taking Family Dependency Treatment Courts to the Next Level | A-4
Thursday, May 31st at 9:30am – 10:45am

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What Does Quality Treatment Look Like?
Identifying Effective Substance Use Disorder Treatment for Families

Theresa Lemus, MBA, RN, LADC | Children and Family Futures

Be sure to check it out!
Strengthening Families – Supporting Success

Jennifer Foley, BA | Children and Family Futures

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Q&A and Discussion
Visit our table in the Exhibit Hall

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