



CALIFORNIA CHILD WELFARE COUNCIL
Child Welfare Priority Access to Services and Supports (PASS)

Team: Workforce and Employment

Lead State Agency/Department: California Workforce Investment Board

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Workforce and Employment Team ACTION PLAN

Goal 1: Create new models for coordinated service delivery and funding alignment that can be replicated and scaled across the State.

Strategies	Actions	Who
Leverage CWIB Accelerator processes to support cross-agency collaboration to identify families in reunification as a target population for February 2015 Accelerator RFP process .	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Create coordinated oversight and funding strategy.2. Draft and release solicitation for proposals.	Lead- CWIB
Support implementation and evaluations of several innovative pilot projects at the local level.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Fund small, short-term grants (\$50,000- \$150,00, up to 12 months) to design, develop, and prototype new strategies .2. Create “Community of Practice” learning groups among the grantees and partner agencies (local and state) to foster shared learning and innovation.3. Measure outcomes.	Leadership
Develop tools for replicating successful models statewide.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Utilize Priority Access Accelerator Fund lessons to create systems to replicate and scale the successes.2. Examine state level opportunities to create policy, regulations, or other systems to sustain efforts.	Leadership

<i>Goal 2: Parents in reunification are able to achieve self-sufficiency and eventual financial stability.</i>		
Strategies	Actions	Who
Develop best practice <i>materials and tools</i> for service delivery providers.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide leadership to conduct a “client centered” approach to understand how parents interact with services systems, where they meet roadblocks, and how they access all services that help them <i>move toward income stability and self-sufficiency</i>. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Ask parents</i> how they access or would like to access services, and where they have challenges in getting what they need. b. Create <i>case scenarios</i> to walk through how individuals are eligible for and access services. 2. Explore the utility of the “self-sufficiency calculator” to assist in this exploration 	WIB PASS Action Team and Parent Leaders
Create systems for <i>on-going cross communication</i> among State and County agencies.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Engage <i>State and County leadership and staff</i> of workforce, social services, and health and human services agencies in planning. 2. Map existing local best practice examples. 3. <i>Host mini-convening</i> to bring State and County agencies together. 	WIB PASS Action Team
<i>Inform</i> the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act planning and implementation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Utilize all prior activities and “actions” to identify opportunities to inform regulations and implementation of the Workforce Innovations and Opportunity Act 	CWIB