

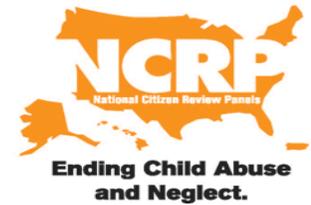


California Child Welfare Council

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The Power of Community



Purpose and Background of the Current Task: Statewide Prevention Framework

The **goal** of the current task undertaken by the Prevention and Early Intervention Statewide Citizen Review Panel (PEI-CRP) is to develop a *Prevention Framework for California* to provide guidance on developing a prevention program, or full prevention continuum. The **focus** of the Framework is responsive to prevention populations as defined by The OCAP and Child Welfare Council. This is primarily families who are at-risk for child abuse and neglect, or who are early in the child welfare system. While the work touches on the full prevention spectrum, it is more narrowly focused.

This tool is intended as a basis for forthcoming policy recommendations (as a required responsibility of a Citizen Review Panel) to strengthen consistency across the state's prevention efforts. During its policy review cycle, the PEI-CRP had determined that current child welfare policy is not adequate to assure uniform quality and effectiveness.

The current draft Framework was developed by looking at **evidence-informed prevention platforms** widely used in California and national emerging models. A cross-walk document was prepared that lists and "maps" core elements of each. The current tool is **intended to add value and unity to the field** by serving as an "at-a-glance" summary of core elements of prevention as informed by research.

Consistent with Federal Guidance under Development

Last week at the National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, sponsored by the Children's Bureau's Office on Child Abuse and Neglect, Dr. Deborah Daro of Chapin Hall presented an innovative child maltreatment prevention planning process intended to be used to help advance prevention efforts in states and communities.

Rather than providing a laundry list of every possible intervention a state, county, or community might adopt, the goal of this innovative approach is to provide state and community leaders with a prevention agenda that will maximize the efficient use of existing resources and build a sense of collective commitment across all stakeholders in the state.

This is consistent with the approach being utilized by the PEI-CRP. The resulting Prevention Framework will be presented to the Council for review and comment in December, 2016.