

Agency Summary: Danville DSS

Region: Peidmont

Class Size:

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Description of Early Prevention Services (prior to a current, valid CPS report)

Danville Division of Social Services provides a system of services to the general public, high risk groups, and individual families. Danville utilizes volunteers to provide some of its prevention services. They also use Family Partnership meetings (FPMs) in early prevention. The staff facilitates alternate living arrangements with relatives or non-relatives for a child at risk of removal and entering foster care (Foster Care Diversion). They also directly provide services to any of the 'diversion families' and/or birth families involved after they have facilitated an informal out of home alternative living arrangement

Danville Division of Social Services has a specific staff devoted primarily to prevention. These staff members provide public education and awareness activities on prevention to the general public, early prevention services to high risk groups, and early prevention services to individual families.

Specific information about Danville Division of Social Services for each type of Early Prevention Services provided

1. Universal Early Prevention Services (Public Education and Awareness to the General Public)

- Public Education and Awareness Services Provided:
 - Attendance at Hugs and Kisses performances
- Funding Sources for Early Prevention Public Education and Awareness:
 - United Way
- Staff that provide Early Prevention Public Awareness Activities:
 - Staff devoted primarily to prevention (Family Stabilization staff, etc.)
 - CPS investigative worker
 - Foster care worker
- Volunteers used: None
- Material printed in Spanish: None

2. Early Prevention Services to High Risk Groups

- High Risk Groups Targeted:
 - Parents with disabilities
 - Parents with children with disabilities
 - Pregnant teens

- Parenting teens
- Single parents
- Low-income families
- Services Provided to High Risk Groups:
 - Information on available services distributed to targeted groups, not just to the public
 - Parent education for high risk groups (e.g., financial, health, child development, working with school systems, behavior management, family relationships.)
 - Public speaking for high risk groups
- Funding for Services to High Risk Groups:
 - CSA funds
 - Medicaid
- Staff that Provide Early Prevention to High Risk Groups:
 - Family stabilization or other staff devoted primarily to prevention
 - CPS investigative worker
 - Foster care worker
- Volunteers used for Early Prevention for High Risk Groups: None

3. Early Prevention Services to Individual Families

- Early Prevention Services Provided to Individual Families:
 - Case management/coordination
 - Information and referral
 - Transportation
 - Services provided to children to increase protective factors
 - Finding relatives and other individuals to enhance parent support
 - Advocacy on behalf of the family within the community to secure services and support
- Funding for Services to Individual Families:
 - CSA funds
 - Medicaid
 - Safe and Stable Families (budget line item 866/title IVB Subpart 2)
 - Budget line item 829-Family Preservation (SSGB)
 - Adoption Assistance
- Staff that Provide Early Prevention Services to Individual Families:
 - Family stabilization or other staff devoted primarily to prevention
 - CPS investigative worker
 - Foster care worker
 - Benefit program worker (VIEW, TANF, etc.)
- Volunteers used: None

4. Community based resources to which the agency refers

- Healthy Families Providers
- Part C Early Childhood Intervention

- Early Head Start (birth to 3 years old)
- Head Start (3 to 5 years old)
- Parent Support group providers
 - Parent support groups for the general public
 - Mental health based support groups for parents
- Workshops and trainings provided by community groups to specific targeted groups, including:
 - General public
 - High-risk families
 - Families where domestic violence is present or suspected
 - Foster families
 - Adoptive families
- Intensive in-home service providers
- Public health providers
- Public mental health providers (e.g., community service boards)
- Private mental health providers
- Respite care providers
- Schools
- Mentoring program providers