

Family Resource Center Network Development Continuum



Explore

Assess

Develop

Operationalize

Suggested Steps

- Identify stakeholders to engage in initial planning
- Determine who will coordinate initial efforts (organization and person) and define roles
- Review materials about Family Resource Centers (FRCs) and Networks
- Participate in webinars about FRCs and Networks
- Review Collective Impact Framework
- Host a NFSN presentation for key stakeholders to understand the national lay of the land and discuss resonance with the state
- Participate in NFSN Forum
- Visit FRCs, Network leaders, and Network funders

- Develop survey to identify existing programs
- Disseminate and conduct survey to identify FRCs, determine their interest in forming a Network, and in being trained on the Standards of Quality
- Analyze survey results to inform planning

- Convene initial Network meeting(s)
- Develop vision, mission, and goals
- Identify initial staffing and budget
- Develop operating guidelines
- Determine leadership
- Join the NFSN as a Member Network
- Participate in NFSN monthly Member Meetings and annual Member Convening
- Connect with peer Networks
- Participate in annual in-person Member Convening

- Conduct regular Network meetings
- Conduct initial Network activities, such as training on the Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening & Support, peer sharing, working on policy/advocacy
- Advance Network goals
- Review and refine processes and systems as needed

NFSN Resources

- Documents and research about FRCs and Networks
- Webinars about FRCs and Networks
- Overview Presentation and discussion facilitation of initial discussion
- Annual NFSN Forum
- Coordinated site visits to FRCs, Networks, and their funders
- Consultation and technical assistance

- Sample FRC identification surveys
- Information about FRCs, Networks, and the Standards that can be linked to from the survey
- Consultation and technical assistance

- Sample Network operating guidelines
- Sample Network job descriptions
- Presentations for and facilitation of Network meetings
- Consultation and technical assistance
- NFSN Membership

- Standards of Quality Training Program
- Develop and Sustaining Effective Parent Advisory Committees Training
- Consultation and technical assistance related to Network activities

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