

Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership

Systems Development Initiative

Overview

The Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership (ICMHP) is committed to improving the scope, quality and access of mental health programs, services and supports for Illinois children. The Partnership believes that a comprehensive, coordinated approach to healthy social and emotional development, prevention, early intervention and treatment will help Illinois children and their families live healthier, happier lives with a better chance for a brighter future.

Community Partnership Structure

The ICMHP as a whole is comprised of appointed members, a management team, staff, and volunteer committee and work group members who work to advance the key priorities identified in the Strategic Plan for Children's Mental Health. The 25 members appointed by the Governor represent families, child advocates, education, early childhood, health, mental health, child welfare, juvenile justice, substance abuse, violence prevention, and others. State legislators - two members of each caucus of the House of Representatives and Senate - and representatives from key state agencies and departments (e.g., child welfare, public health, mental health, education, and corrections) are also included in the appointed members.

The management team consists of three people who oversee the budget and all of the projects undertaken by the partnership. There are six staff members who offer support to the four Partnership committees and three work groups, consisting of over 300 members, from all over Illinois and across all child serving systems, who offer invaluable input and carry out the work of the partnership. Partnership efforts are guided by the Strategic Plan, which serves as a framework for advancing the children's mental health system in Illinois.

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