

# Additional Resources for Early Childhood Collaborations

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## Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)

### Action Teams:

There are approximately 36 action teams statewide charged with the following functions: 1). Identify and work on steps to prevent children from coming into care; 2). If children come into care and cannot return home achieve permanency as quickly as possible; 3). Work on the over-representation of African American's involved with DCFS.

### Contact:

Michael Burns, Statewide Permanency Enhancement Administrator  
(312) 485-7890

### Website:

<http://permanencyenhancementproject.org/category/regions/>

### Child Abuse Hotline/Child Protective Services:

1 (800) 25-ABUSE or (800-252-2873)

*Confidential reporting line for suspected child abuse and neglect.*

## Illinois Department of Human Services

**DHS Office Locator:** [www.dhs.state.il.us/officelocator](http://www.dhs.state.il.us/officelocator)

*Online tool to find office locations for the following types of services:*

- Administrative Offices (DHS management)
- Child Care Resource & Referral
- Comprehensive Community-based Youth Services
- Developmental Disability Services
- Domestic Violence Victim Services
- Early Intervention
- Family Case Management
- Family and Community Resource Centers
- Family Planning
- Mental Health
- Partner Abuse Intervention Services
- Rehabilitation Services
- Residential Schools
- State Psychiatric Hospitals
- Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

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## Illinois Department of Public Health

### **Preschool Hearing and Vision Screening:**

The IDPH Hearing/Vision Program trains and certifies individuals to provide mandated hearing/vision screening to pre-school and school age children throughout the State. Screening personnel are employed by various direct service entities, such as school districts, local health departments and pre-school programs. They attend IDPH Vision/Hearing Training courses in order to become certified hearing/vision screeners. These screeners are under the supervision of the agency for which they work

### **Children's Product Safety:**

<http://srs.dph.illinois.gov/webapp/SRSApp/pages/index.jsp>