

FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT Report Dates: 10/1/2019 - 9/30/2024

Our Goal: The Kansas Family First Prevention Service Evaluation examines the impact of prevention programs to strengthen families and prevent child welfare involvement in the state of Kansas. This project assesses implementation and outcomes related to the delivery of these community-based programs targeting mental health, parent skill building, kinship navigation, and substance use. Our goal is to provide evidence of the effectiveness of prevention services in Kansas to keep children safely with their families whenever possible.



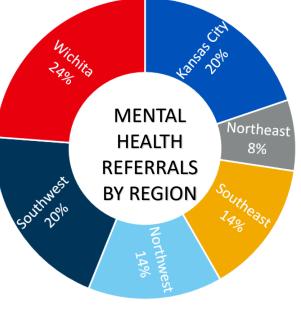


Mental Health services are therapeutic services delivered by a qualified clinician such as Parent Child Interaction Therapy, and Multi-Systemic Therapy. Mental Health services account for 40% of all Family First Referrals statewide.

BY THE NUMBERS

Family First Mental Health Outcomes

89%	of target children and youth who have reached 12 months from the time of service referral remained together at home without need for foster care.* (GOAL: 90% of cases)
77%	of families referred to Family First were en- gaged timely in services (within 2 days). (GOAL: 95% of cases)
54%	of cases served and closed had successfully completed the referred service. (GOAL: 95% of cases)
5%	of target children and youth served have been placed in foster care during an open Family First case. * (GOAL: Less than 10% of cases)
*Taraet children are	candidates for care within the taraet age range of the referred program





Data Source: Kansas Department for Children and Families FACTS

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