



KanCoach

Using Knowledge to Inspire Action



Coaching is a strategy spreading across child welfare agencies nationally as a key component of supervision with frontline staff. Kansas Strong is implementing this program to support and strengthen coaching skills of supervisors so they can integrate more coaching strategies into supervision with staff.

Benefits of KanCoach

- Supervisors learn and practice effective strategies to create a collaborative, strength-based culture to support their staff.
- By using coaching strategies, supervision builds confidence, boosts morale, and fosters critical thinking skills among staff.
- Supervisors create opportunities for staff to continuously practice essential skills, to include the topics of strengths-based engagement, risk and safety assessment, family-centered assessment and case planning, and relative/kin connections.
- KanCoach promotes skills and concepts that contribute to the long-term professional development of supervisors and staff.



Who will participate?

Programs across the continuum of child welfare are included: assessment and prevention, family preservation, and permanency services.

KanCoach is one program of Kansas Strong for Children and Families, a federally-funded initiative that aims to support Kansas child welfare as a collaborative, data-driven system that achieves positive outcomes for children's well-being, safety, and permanency. Collaborators include the Kansas Department for Children and Families, Cornerstones of Care, DCCCA, KVC Kansas, Saint Francis Ministries, TFI Family Services, and the University of Kansas School of Social Welfare. For more info, please contact Kansas Strong for Children and Families Project Director: Becci Akin, PhD, (785) 864 2647 beccia@ku.edu