

2020 - 2024 TITLE IV-E PREVENTION SERVICES AND PROGRAMS PLAN

Who Can Receive Title IV-E Prevention Services?

Child and family eligibility for Title IV-E Prevention Programs is based on the determination that a child is a candidate for foster care. This includes the candidate for foster care, their parents or caregiver, or a foster child who is pregnant or parenting a child(ren).

What is a Candidate for Foster Care?

A candidate for foster care is a child who is at risk of out of home placement and has an active case plan to maintain the child in the child's home.

Who Can Make a Referral for Title IV-E Prevention Services?

Anyone can make a referral for services including public and private service providers, parents, and caregivers. The North Dakota Department of Human Services is in the process of developing a web-based portal. The portal will allow for referral sources to complete a referral documentation for several different programs in North Dakota including Title IV-E candidacy and prevention services. The portal will identify the most appropriate program(s) the child and/or family member(s) may be eligible (ex., Title IV-E, 1915i, ND Substance Use Disorder Voucher, etc.) and provide notification to the DHS Title IV-E Candidacy Approval Team Members. The DHS Team Members will then review the information for final approval of Title IV-E candidacy for prevention services.

What Services are Included?

North Dakota's service array for Title IV-E Prevention Services and Programs will consist of well-supported programs and services approved through the Title IV-E Prevention Services Clearinghouse with the exception of Motivational Interviewing. Motivational Interviewing is being addressed in a statewide effort to train the child welfare system through the development of regionally based learning communities. The service array will be expanded through plan amendments as additional evidence-based services are reviewed and approved through the Title IV-E Prevention Services Clearinghouse authorized by the Children Bureau through ACYF-CB-PI-19-06.

Who Can Provide Approved Services?

Agencies can apply through the North Dakota Department of Human Services to become an approved provider to receive reimbursement through Title IV-E. The agency must identify what approved service – as identified in this plan – they will provide and submit proof they are trained and qualified to offer that service. As agencies are approved, a Memorandum of Understanding will be signed with the Department of Human Services. The MOU will assure the agency conducts all requirements set out by the Department of Human Services and Families First Prevention Services Act.

What's Next for the Draft Plan?

After the North Dakota Department of Human Services reviews comments received from the public, the draft plan will be submitted to the federal Children's Bureau. They will review and may require modifications prior to approval.



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