



### State Leadership Teams

- Median leadership team size is 18 individuals representing 15 organizations
- Twenty states had a designated Strengthening Families coordinator in 2014, including 6 with full-time coordinators, 6 with part-time coordinators and 8 in positions that also include other responsibilities
- Just under 60% of states have parent/community representatives in the Strengthening Families leadership group at the state level
- Four most common sectors represented: Home visiting, maternal and child health, early care and education and child abuse and neglect prevention (children's trust funds and other prevention entities)
- In half of all states the following sectors are also represented: Advocacy, child welfare, early intervention, family support, fatherhood/healthy relationships, K-12 education, mental health, parent leadership and public health

<b>Implementation in Early Care &amp; Education: Strategies</b>	Number of states (2016)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework is integrated into state Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS). (Integration strategies vary by state.)</li> </ul>	17
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework is used in State Early Learning and Development Advisory Council planning and policy efforts.</li> </ul>	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The child care resource and referral (CCR&amp;R) network is engaged in professional development and support for programs that are implementing the Strengthening Families approach.</li> </ul>	25
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework is integrated into state early care and education workforce knowledge and competency framework.</li> </ul>	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework is used in Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) planning and/or other early childhood systems development efforts.</li> </ul>	22
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework is used to support family, friend and neighbor care providers (also referred to as informal or license-exempt child care providers).</li> </ul>	17

<b>Implementation in Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention: Strategies</b>	Number of states (2016)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Training is provided for child abuse and neglect prevention providers about the Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework.</li> </ul>	34
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Strengthening Families Protective Factors are part of the Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) Request for Proposal (RFP) process.</li> </ul>	31
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>County or community-level prevention planning processes are aligned to the Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework.</li> </ul>	20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Strengthening Families protective factors are part of other prevention funding processes and/or other prevention resources support program implementation of Strengthening Families.</li> </ul>	27
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mandatory reporter training is adapted to include the Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework.</li> </ul>	7
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family support programs have been adapted to include Strengthening Families.</li> </ul>	27
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public awareness campaigns use the Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework.</li> </ul>	23
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The state Prevent Child Abuse chapter is engaged in Strengthening Families.</li> </ul>	30

<b>Implementation in Child Welfare Systems: Strategies</b>	<b>Number of states (2016)</b>
• The Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework are integrated into training for child welfare workers.	19
• The Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework are integrated into training for foster parents.	10
• The Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework are part of the child welfare practice model.	13
• The Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework are integrated into assessment tools.	12
• The Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework are being used in differential response efforts in the child welfare system.	8
• Partnerships have been formed between child welfare and early care and education programs using the Strengthening Families approach and Protective Factors Framework.	21
• The state has a Title IV-E waiver that includes a Strengthening Families approach.	7

<b>Implementation in Home Visiting: Strategies</b>	<b>Number of states (2016)</b>
• Strengthening Families is part of the state plan under the federal Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting program.	16
• Strengthening Families and the Protective Factors Framework are used as a common frame across multiple home visiting programs and/or models.	18
• Strengthening Families and the Protective Factors Framework are used in intake and/or referral systems for home visiting services.	10
• Specific training on Strengthening Families and the Protective Factors Framework is provided to home visitors.	24
• Families receiving home visiting are referred to other child and family serving programs using a Strengthening Families protective factors frame.	19