

# GEORGIA



## GEORGIA Family Support NETWORK

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The Georgia Family Support Network is comprised of state, county, and community organizations dedicated to strengthening practices and policies that champion quality family support programs and services across the state. The Network encourages members to work in partnership with families, promoting evidence-based and best practice programs that build upon the Strengthening Families approach of the 5 Protective Factors. Member organizations benefit from networking, access to tools, resources, potential funding opportunities, and professional development and additional trainings for staff.

### At a Glance

- Year founded: 2018
- Year joined NFSN: 2018
- Network type: Nonprofit-Coordinated Prevent Child Abuse Georgia Implementing Agency still funded by DFCS PCS
- Network staff: 1 FTE

### Highlights

- Allocated an additional \$1M in federal Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention funds for three years to the \$3.3M previously allocated for Georgia's first Family Resource Center funding opportunity. The state now has two, three-year funded FRC cohorts.
- Network Membership increased from 61 organizations in 2023 to 72 organizations in 2024 with the Standards Certification Training proving to be the most useful recruiting tool.
- 90% of Network members provided evidence-based programming.
- Used Basecamp as a communication platform for members to connect, stay informed, and house documents and information.
- The Network moved to Prevent Child Abuse Georgia in October 2023.

### Network Functions

- Connecting Members
- Training/technical assistance
- Working on systems change/policy/advocacy
- Securing/raising funds that are distributed to Members
- Marketing/public awareness activities
- Shared data management system

### Standards of Quality Implementation



STANDARDS TRAINERS

2

CERTIFICATION TRAININGS

7

CERTIFIED INDIVIDUALS

155

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## Network Mission Statement:

To leverage state, county, and community networks to strengthen practices and policies that champion quality Family Support.

## Members

- Number of Members: 72
  - 12 Community-Based Programs
  - 8 School-Based Programs
  - 38 Non-FRC Family Support Programs
  - 1 County/City Facility-based FRC
  - 3 Government Departments
  - 10 Private foundations
- Funding: \$2,237,886
- Funding source: Federal Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP)

## Member Service Areas

- Parenting support
- Access to resources
- Concrete support
- Family development services
- Child development activities
- Education activities
- Community strengthening activities

