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The Utah Family Strengthening Network is a collection of like-minded volunteers and trainers working to provide training on and implementation support for the Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework and the Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening & Support. The Network is reaching larger audiences and generating interest outside of traditional family-serving organizations such as health organizations and schools. Prevent Child Abuse Utah provides the Network with administrative support.

At a Glance

- Year founded: 2015
- Year joined NFSN: 2015
- Network type: Nonprofit-Coordinated
- Network staff: 1 FTE
- Network annual budget: \$200,000
- Funding sources:
 - Federal Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP)
 - Earned income

Highlights

- Creation of Network webpage, which includes a listing of Network trainings and events.
- Partnered and presented for two Utah conferences dedicated entirely to the Protective Factors – *2023 School Counseling and Prevention Summit*, and *2023 Joining Forces Conference*.
- Broadened awareness of Network’s mission and objectives, as demonstrated through presentations at various national and statewide conferences.
- Relunched the quarterly Trainer Convening as an opportunity to enhance statewide coordination of Standards of Quality implementation.
- Created and launched a membership contract for current and new Network members.

Network Functions

- Connecting Members
- Training/technical assistance
- Working on systems change/policy/advocacy
- Marketing/public awareness activities

Standards of Quality Implementation

Standards of Quality



for Family Strengthening & Support

STANDARDS TRAINERS

5

CERTIFICATION TRAININGS

18

CERTIFIED INDIVIDUALS

407

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Network Mission Statement:

To provide members the most current research-based information. The network provides an evidence-based framework, training, opportunities for collaboration, and support for network members.

Members

- Number of Members: 45
- Types of Members
 - 30 Community-Based FRCs
 - 6 School-based FRCs
 - 5 Government departments
 - 3 Private foundations
 - 1 Other
- State funding
 - Utah State Legislature
- Federal funding
 - Federal Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP)
 - Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)
 - Early Head Start
 - Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (MIECHV)
 - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment & Training
 - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
 - Title IV-B, including Promoting Safe and Stable Families
 - Title IV-B, Kinship Navigator
 - Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA)
- Other funding sources:
 - Private foundations
 - Individual giving
 - Earned income

Member Service Areas

- Parenting Support
- Access to Resources
- Concrete Support
- Family Development Services
- Child Development Activities
- Parent Leadership Development
- Family Economic Success Activities
- Education Activities
- Intentional Multiple Family Member Engagement Activities
- Community Strengthening Activities



Outcomes

- Completed 7 Protective Factors overview trainings, and 5 Protective Factors presentations.
- 53% of all training participants were new to UFSN trainings
- Increased membership by 100%