Maximizing Our Collective Impact

Child Welfare Virtual Expo

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Everyone Has a Role in Improving Outcomes

• Collecting data is essential on all levels to ensure that we’re making evidence-based decisions, and everyone plays a role in making this system better.
Everyday Scientist

One consequence of focusing on demonstrating effectiveness is sharing accountability. Every person making decisions in a system has some obligation to contemplate outcomes.
Case Notes and Reports
- Daily collection of data in the field

State Administrative Data
- Knowledge about system used to understand performance and outcomes

National Statistics
- Knowledge about national child welfare outcomes to inform policy and research
Child welfare professionals, who have access to data, have an opportunity to augment their working knowledge with empirical evidence.

This opportunity can—and should—result in better decision-making.
Casework Builds Into System Review

Frontline workers have the unique role of managing the use of evidence and case-level transactions. Attending to this role is an important corollary of reliance on data and data evidence.

Better decisions made at the case level aggregate up to better system performance.
Importance of Making Decisions Based on Data

Child welfare professionals need continued support to build capacity to use and understand data and evidence.

Once data have been reliably transformed into evidence, you have empowered the decision-makers.

Decision-makers at each level of the system can be empowered to make data-informed decisions.
Thank you for your participation today!

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