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ABSTRACT:
The Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Children and Family Services is overseeing Adoption Services Coalitions: Building Community Support for Children Needing Families. The Adoption Services Coalition includes members who have banded together to fulfill a common commitment: finding permanent homes for all children in foster care who are legally free for adoption. The project is testing Adoption Services Coalitions as a model for involving communities in the recruitment and retention of adoptive parents for children in foster care. The objectives are designed to lead to the achievement of these goals: To develop and support 10 Adoption Services Coalitions across the State; to develop video clips of waiting children and post them on the Web, as well as Websites of prospective adoptive parents to assist with matching; to support recruitment activities of Adoption Services Coalitions at general, targeted, and specific levels; to build the capacities of private adoption agencies to support adoptions of children in foster care; to provide support services to current and prospective adoptive families; to develop Practices That Work booklets for project dissemination; and to rigorously evaluate the model.

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