

# Child Abuse Prevention – Administrative Support Only



Purpose	The purpose of the Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program (ICAPP) is to prevent child maltreatment.																			
Who Is Helped	Prevention services are funded through annual contracts awarded to local community-based volunteer councils. The ICAPP administrator provides support to these councils throughout the state.																			
	✓ <i>In SFY16, these local councils provided services in 72 of Iowa's 99 counties.</i>																			
Services	<p>The department utilizes a statewide non-profit organization to assist in administration of the ICAPP. Duties include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administering a competitive grant program for prevention services to be provided by local community-based prevention volunteer councils.</li> <li>• Providing technical assistance to local councils and subcontracted service providers.</li> <li>• Conducting general research as it relates to the prevention of child maltreatment.</li> <li>• Evaluating the various local services funded by the overall program.</li> </ul> <p>✓ <i>A competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued for services for SFY16-SFY18.</i>          ✓ <i>A total of 108 new service contracts, in 72 counties, were issued to 57 local community-based councils, beginning SFY16.</i>          ✓ <i>Local providers may have up to three contracts for different services, e.g., home visitation, crisis child care, and sexual abuse prevention.</i></p>																			
Goals & Strategies	<p>Goal: Services funded will be effective in reducing the risk of child maltreatment.</p> <p>Strategies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emphasize evidence-based or promising practices in prevention.</li> <li>• Measure effectiveness of ICAPP services.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Change in Average Scores on PFS Statewide SFY15*</b></p> <table border="1"> <caption>Approximate data from the PFS Statewide SFY15* bar chart</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Domain</th> <th>Pretest Score</th> <th>Post Test Score</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Social Support</td> <td>5.7</td> <td>5.9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nurturing/Attachment</td> <td>6.1</td> <td>6.3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Family Functioning</td> <td>5.3</td> <td>5.6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Concrete Support</td> <td>5.3</td> <td>5.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Child Development</td> <td>5.6</td> <td>5.7</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>*Number of responses = 3,002</p>	Domain	Pretest Score	Post Test Score	Social Support	5.7	5.9	Nurturing/Attachment	6.1	6.3	Family Functioning	5.3	5.6	Concrete Support	5.3	5.4	Child Development	5.6	5.7
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<p>Results in SFY16:</p> <p>In August 2015, ICAPP produced the fourth annual evaluation report, utilizing protective factors as outcome measures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Protective Factors Survey (PFS) is a reliable and valid 20-question pre/post evaluation tool created by the National Resource Center for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention. It is a self-administered survey that measures key protective capacities of caregivers in five domains.</li> <li>• Based on the responses, each domain is given a score from one to seven, with one being the lowest and seven the highest, to indicate the level of that particular protective capacity in the respondent. Aggregate pre- and post-scores from ICAPP participants during SFY15 are illustrated in the graph to the right. All protective capacities reported an increase following participation in prevention services.</li> </ul>																				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>The Iowa Family Survey relies on the Protective Factors Survey to gather pre/post test data from participants to measure family outcomes.</i></li> <li>✓ <i>The web-based survey is accessed online at <a href="http://www.iowafamilysurvey.org">www.iowafamilysurvey.org</a>.</i></li> <li>✓ <i>The full evaluation report is available online at: <a href="http://www.pcaiowa.org/grantees/icapp/quarterly-reports">www.pcaiowa.org/grantees/icapp/quarterly-reports</a></i></li> </ul>
<b>Cost of Services</b>	<p>The average cost of administrative support, currently contracted through Prevent Child Abuse Iowa, is \$193,000 annually for the life of the contract (SFY12-SFY17).</p> <p>A new competitive procurement for the administration of ICAPP will be issued for services beginning SFY18. SFY18 and SFY19 costs will depend on the Request for Proposal (RFP) and the bid proposals received.</p>
<b>Funding Sources</b>	<p>100 percent of funding comes via birth registration fees. The fee revenue has varied between \$197,000 and \$233,000 annually over the past five years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>Any funds not used to pay the administrator's contract are added to the total amount available to the local councils for services.</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Total funding for the ICAPP (administration and services) in SFY15 was approximately \$1.4 million and came from several federal and state sources. In addition to the birth registration fee, these included federal funds from TANF, Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment (CAPTA), and Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF), as well as state funds from the department's child and family services appropriation.</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Administration costs are slightly higher in SFY16 and SFY17 as the program continues to increase evaluation efforts and provide technical assistance to local projects.</i></li> </ul>
<b>Legal Basis</b>	<p><b>State:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Iowa Code, Chapters 235A.1 and 235A.2</li> <li>• Iowa Administrative Code, 441 IAC 155</li> </ul>