



CHILD CARE

State Capacity Building Center

Intensive Capacity Building Network

PURPOSE

The State Capacity Building Center (SCBC) works with State and Territory leaders and their partners to foster innovative early childhood (EC) systems and programs that improve results for children and families.

Capacity refers to the potential of an organization or institution to be productive and effective by applying its human and organizational assets to identify and achieve current and future goals.

OBJECTIVES

The SCBC works to ensure the effectiveness of programs implemented under the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF), improve the quality and supply of infant/toddler services, and advance the development of EC systems.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- An integrated network. Effective State-level technical assistance (TA) establishes credibility and expertise, builds partnerships, and develops systemic capacity from CCDF Administrators to child care providers.
- Context matters. Effective capacity building means understanding each organization and respecting its history, values, and vision.
- Our work is informed by a thorough vision. Effective support of State and Territory leaders is grounded in CCDF reauthorization – ushering in a new era of child care with its goal of safe, healthy environments in which children can learn and prepare for school.

SCBC Priorities and Framework

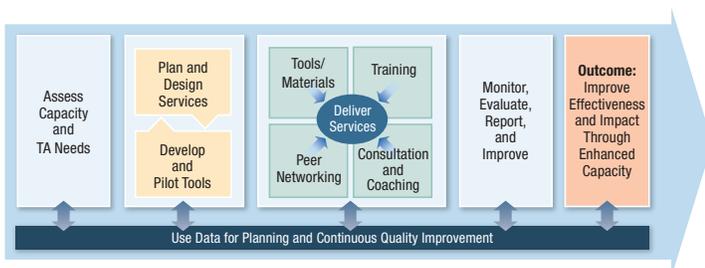
Integration, leverage, and transformation for child outcomes and school readiness

Capacity Building Priorities

- Implementation of CCDF
- Quality and supply of infant/toddler services
- Advancing EC systems building

Capacity Building Framework

- **Culture and Climate:** Values, beliefs, norms, traditions, and work environment.
- **Engagement and Partnerships:** Working with citizens, families, providers, stakeholders, and oversight groups.
- **Financial Resources:** Revenue maximization, financial management, and financial forecasting.
- **Infrastructure:** Planning, execution, policies, procedures, governance, services continuum, decision making, and quality improvement.
- **Knowledge and Skills:** Expertise and competencies specific to EC systems design, development, and implementation.



Intensive Capacity Building Network

- The Intensive Capacity Building Network focuses on systems efforts.
- The Intensive Capacity Building Network provides evidence-informed products, such as the State Systems Building Guides, learning opportunities such as peer learning forums, and the Impact Project.

What Is the Impact Project?

- The Impact Project is a major new service involving collaboration with up to 10 select States or Territories to provide intensive, longer-term EC systems building consultation. While the timeline is specific to the State/Territory, Impact Project services are available over a 12 to 48 month timeline.
- The Impact Project assists States as they develop and expand their capacity for planning, investing in, and implementing quality EC systems, policies, and practices. States focus on projects, new or already underway, that are meaningful to them and based on their particular context and vision and goals for the development of a strong EC system.
- As part of their projects, States must include systems and services that are fully or partially supported by their CCDF resources and address the CCDF goal of providing more children from low-income families with quality services.
- Intensive capacity building support is responsive to State/Territory identification of priorities and needs in system building, and covers a wide range of work.



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Learn more about the network and how we can support you.

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