Infant Mental Health Work Group
Initial Work Plan

Work-Group Purpose:
Assure the integration of infant mental health supports and services as an essential part of New Mexico’s Behavioral Health System of Care.

Initial Goal:
Support the successful implementation of the infant mental health treatment service
Support the recommendations of the Summit Evaluation Report. (Attached)

Strategies
• Support communities to assess their readiness to implement the service definition, including their ability to:
  ✓ Identify practitioners with infant mental health competence.
  ✓ Describe the needed screening, assessment, treatment planning, treatment implementation, and service/program evaluation processes for this service population.
  ✓ Identify potential referral sources and public awareness/education efforts needed to support referrals.
  ✓ Participate in existing community-level inter-agency groups that address the needs of the service population or establish such groups if not already in existence in order to identify the strengths and gaps and address gaps in the community-level system of care for pregnant women, infants/young children and their families.
  ✓ Identify (or help support the development of) work force development training opportunities that support the New Mexico Association of Infant Mental Health competencies and endorsement.

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