

Anticipated Upcoming Procurement Opportunity: Master Trainer for Child Assault Prevention and Parent Leadership Trainings

The New Jersey Department of Children and Families (DCF), Division of Family Community Partnerships (FCP), anticipates publishing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure a Master Trainer to deliver and coordinate a portfolio of statewide training initiatives aimed at preventing child assault and strengthening family leadership. The identified awardee will provide training, coaching, and certification oversight for facilitators across the state, while also managing training logistics, fidelity tracking, and administrative coordination.

Scope of Training Areas Will Include:

1. Child Assault Prevention Training

Training in this area of focus is based on the New Jersey Child Assault Prevention (NJCAP) curriculum. NJCAP is a comprehensive, statewide training model promoting child rights, personal safety, and child empowerment strategies. The training is currently offered to children, parents, and school staff in public and private schools*. This work supports compliance with **Erin's Law (A-769/S-1130)**, which mandates that New Jersey school districts implement age-appropriate sexual abuse prevention and awareness education from Pre-K through grade 12, and train school personnel accordingly. To learn more about the NJCAP curriculum, please visit www.njcap.org

**The NJCAP curriculum will be integrated into a broader program model at the start of the 2025/26 school year.*

2. Parent Leadership and Engagement Trainings

Training in this area of focus will support the development of strong parent leaders and elevate family voice through the following models:

- **Be Strong Families Parent Café Model:** Safe, peer-led spaces where parents share, reflect, and strengthen protective factors while exploring their roles as leaders within their families and communities. Staff will be trained to support, but not direct, these parent-to-parent spaces. www.bestrongfamilies.org
- **Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Model:** Based on the National Family Support Network model, PAC training prepares parent leaders to guide, influence, and support Family Success Centers (FSCs) and other community programs. Training will build skills in advocacy, leadership, and community engagement. www.nationalfamilysupportnetwork.org/training
- **Parent Leadership Development:** In alignment with DCF's strategic plan, this training will prepare staff to cultivate and support parent leaders through topics such as communication, advocacy, goal setting, cultural competency, leadership styles, and confidence-building.

This opportunity reflects DCF's commitment to strengthening the prevention workforce and enhancing the leadership capacity of families and communities.

The RFP is forthcoming and will provide:

- a detailed outline of the requirements and scope of work
- budget information
- submission deadline and instructions

Questions may be emailed to DCF.ASKRFP@dcf.nj.gov