

Children and Youth Planning Table Shared Foundations for Practice



Create the conditions for inter-agency consultations and joint engagement

Resource	Description	Reflection Questions
Planning Collaboratives: Learnings to Support Integrated Planning and Considerations for Municipalities	In the spring of 2017, the Children and Youth Planning Table was asked to participate in a research project with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs to better understand effective collaborative processes. This was in response to the 27 recommendations outlined in the Community Hubs in Ontario: A Strategic Framework and Action Plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can we be more strategic in our efforts to support integrated planning? • What can we learn from our previous work as a collaborative, and how do you see your role moving forward?
Stepping Up: A Strategic Framework to Help Ontario's Youth Succeed	Stepping Up establishes a strategic framework to help guide, focus and maximize our collaborative actions to support young people. At its core is a set of 20 outcomes to help service providers better align their work with what research and youth say is important for their success.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do the 20 outcomes for youth wellbeing align with the Children and Youth Planning Table 6 Shared Goals? • How are online platforms shifting the ways in which we work together, and work with youth, to support positive development?

Promoting and referring to the most appropriate service

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Child and Parent Resource Institute	Offers supports and resources for trauma and developmental needs for families and children.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What evidence based research is currently supporting our work within the sector? • How are we directing the community to access the most appropriate services?

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Connectivity Kitchener	The connectivity table consists of a group of professionals in the community of health and community services. These professionals come together to find the best services for families and children who are at risk. These professionals collaborate on a case-by-case basis to talk about situations of the families in children in the most vulnerable and at risk situations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are some systemic improvements that could be made for service delivery? • How do we best decide which service should be used depending on the need of the individual?
Family Compass	Online portal to access child, youth and family services specific to the Waterloo Region. The website offers three doors to services: Search for Services: a self-search database of local services. I Have a Concern: a tool to connect you to a local organization to address concerns about child/youth development. Resources for Parents: a link to Parenting Now to access resources for parents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can you use and/or promote family compass with your clients? • How do you think Family Compass may improve community access to resources?

Ensuring services move with the child, youth and family

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Growing Together	A strategic plan that is presented by the Ministry of Children and Youth Services that depicts the focus on the transformation of services to fit the needs of children, youth, and their families based on evidence provided by the voices of children and families within Ontario.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What goals can we set to respond quickly, effectively, and responsibly to the changing needs in our community? • How do we break down barriers in order to develop diverse programs and services in our community?

Providing community wide learning opportunities

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Professional Resource Centre	<p>A variety of professional development resources designed for the community. i.e. Community of Practice (developed for collaboration between professionals and other caring-adults).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are you doing to enhance your professional development? • How has current research supported questions you have had within your field? • What is your understanding of communities of practice? • How would you define quality within the early learning and child care sector?