OUR PARTNERS

Partners

Collaborative partners include families, local business and civic leaders, local elected officials, faith-based and schoolbased organizations, and public/private human service providers. Pickens County Family Connection collaborative is part of the Family Connection statewide network supported by Family Connection Partnership, a state-level public/private nonprofit (**501 c3**).



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2013 – 2017 Pickens County Community Plan for the Advancement of Children and Families

<u>Safe, Healthy Children Ready for</u> <u>Kindergarten</u>

Partners come together to address the goal, "Safe, Healthy Children Ready for Kindergarten", through the strategy team, "Thrive to Five". Thrive to Five estimates that there are approximately 400 children in Pickens County age conception through age four who live in limited learning and nurturing environments that place them at risk for poor health and low school achievement.

Drug Free Schools, Homes, Work Place

The Coalition for a Drug Free Pickens will implement the Drug Free Schools, Homes, and Work Place Strategy. The goal is to reduce the use of marijuana by Pickens County tenth grade students from 18% of 10^{th} grade students in 2009 to 10% of tenth grade students in 2017, and the use of alcohol by tenth grade students from 27% in 2009 to 15% in 2017.

Work Ready

The Work Ready Strategy will provide coordinated outreach to unemployed or underemployed adults to engage in GED, technical, or college courses to become better qualified for jobs that are available or may become available. Child care, transportation, and school expense financial support will be provided.



Pickens County Family Connection



Community-wide collaboration between social service agencies, organizations and individuals dedicated to improving the lives of children and their families in Pickens County.



All About Us

OUR VISION:

All Pickens County children:

- Will be born healthy
- Will be reared in nurturing, safe, self-sufficient, and literate families
- Will be provided with and will utilize quality health care, child care, and educational, recreational, spiritual opportunities
- Will grow into educated, productive, and involved citizens of the community.



OUR MISSION: Pickens County Family Connection is a non-profit community partnership that strengthens families and children by identifying challenges and solutions, and measuring change in Pickens County.

CORE MISSION-BASED FUNCTIONS:

- 1) Assessing the risk conditions (needs) and protective conditions (resources) for children, youth, and families in Pickens County
- Developing universal, measurable outcomes for children and families (preferably identified target groups), and a universal plan of action to achieve the outcomes;
- 3) Identifying and procuring resources to implement the Plan;
- 4) Promoting the implementation of the universal plan of action, which includes inclusive, coordinated, connected actions to achieve outcomes;
- 5) Data based measurement of progress toward outcomes;
- 6) Reporting the status of the Plan, actions, and progress to the community.





Please come hear our speakers and <u>network</u> with us in 2014 by attending our monthly meetings the second Wednesday of each month from 8:00 am-9:15 am in the Pickens Room of the County Administration Offices.

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