

Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Network Hub Foundations



Our Purpose

The Colorado Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Network Hub strengthens connections, resources, policies, and practices for mental health consultation to ensure children, families, and programs can thrive.

Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Ability (EDIA) Commitment

The Network Hub recognizes our country's history of systemic oppression and resulting inequities. This reality has lasting, critical impacts on the mental well-being of our families, children, and professionals.

- The Network Hub considers EDIA implications across practice and implementation, as well as policy and systems, in acknowledgement of the personal and institutional natures of EDIA.
- The Network Hub actively pursues strategies that center EDIA in all its endeavors, embracing the hope of wellness for all in this approach. Our philosophy of EDIA encompasses all people who might experience discrimination or be impacted by oppression, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, sex, gender identity, age, ability, access, sexual orientation, income, language, and religion.

Guiding Principles

- We build upon existing efforts and tools.
- We make data-informed decisions and utilize recent evidence and best practices.
- We ensure sustainable, consistent, quality Network Hub services.
- We advocate for culturally responsive and relevant services, centering principles of equity, diversity, inclusion, and ability.
- We strive for equitable access to services, particularly for programs and communities that are furthest from opportunity.



Statewide, equitable access to high-quality ECMHC has increased



ECMHCs and supervisors are prepared, supported, and motivated to improve their practice

Desired Results



Infrastructure is strong, supportive of, and responsive to programs, communities, and ECMHCs



ECMHC is aligned with other ECMH efforts and supported by collaborative public-private partnerships

Core Functions

Engagement & Support



We support consultants to understand their role and the broader landscape, connect with their peers, provide tools, and share timely and relevant information. We are responsive to the needs of the network and focus on developing relationships.

Learning & Implementation



We guide the ongoing learning and knowledge acquisition of the network to ensure high-quality and equitable consultative services.

Leadership & Advocacy



We focus on developing diverse leaders, convening a leadership structure, and building bridges between national, state, and local levels. We monitor and catalyze policy and advocacy efforts to advance consultative roles, health equity, and early childhood.

