A Policy Briefing on Foster Parenting

HOSTED BY THE CHAMPS CAMPAIGN

Join this online briefing to learn about state and federal policy reforms to strengthen family-based foster care. Advocates will highlight policy priorities and share examples of policy wins and lessons learned on efforts to strengthen kin and non-kin foster parenting.

Speakers Include:

State advocates from West Virginia, Colorado, New York and Vermont and representatives from partnering national organizations:

1. National Foster Parent Association
2. Generations United
3. Youth Law Center’s Quality Parenting Initiative
4. Children’s Village and
5. North American Council on Adoptable Children

DATE: December 15, 2022 / TIME: 2 – 3:30 EST
Briefing by Zoom
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ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

Since 2017, the CHAMPS campaign has led a multi-state policy initiative to improve outcomes for children and youth who need foster care by improving the quality and stability of family-based foster care. Campaign partners work collectively to advance these research-based policy goals that align with best practice and extensive input from the foster parent community.

1. Support relationships between foster and birth families
2. Implement data-driven recruitment and retention practices
3. Engage foster parents in decision making
4. Provide timely access to trusted, dedicated staff and peer support to foster parents
5. Prioritize placements with relatives
6. Ensure timely access to physical and mental health services

Consistent with its plan to serve as a five-year initiative, CHAMPS is winding down at the end of 2022. But advocacy efforts continue. Attendees will hear more about ongoing advocacy efforts and how to get involved.

For policy advocacy tools, see the policy hub on the CHAMPS website
Be sure to check out this brief, Winning Approaches to Strengthening Family-Based Care