SoonerStart
Building futures for babies & families

Oklahoma Part C
State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP)
What is the SSIP?

• State Systemic Improvement Plan: a comprehensive, ambitious, achievable multi-year plan designed to improve outcomes for children with disabilities and their families through systems and practice change.
SoonerStart’s FFY 2013- FFY 2019 SSIP

• Focused on early literacy, language and communication.

• Selected implementation strategies:
  • Statewide Database
  • Evidence-based Practices
  • Use of Assistive Technology
  • Access to early literacy resources
  • Professional development

• Ended: December 31, 2020
SSIP FFY 2020 – FFY 2025 Timeline

• Phase I in fall-winter 2020-21
  • Stakeholder Engagement, Data and Infrastructure Analysis

• Phase II by late spring 2021
  • Select SiMR and improvement strategies by May 2021

• Commence Phase III in July 2021
  • Begin implementing improvement strategies
  • Develop evaluation plan

• First full report due spring 2022
Stakeholder Engagement, Data and Infrastructure
Stakeholder Engagement

• Parents, SoonerStart Staff and Community/Early Childhood Advocates meetings completed in December 2020 and February 2021

• Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting completed March 2021 with volunteers from earlier meetings participating

• Staff survey for pilot site selection – April 2021

• Next Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting April 28, 2021
Stakeholder Participants

- Health and Mental Health Services: 6%
- Early Childhood Services: 5%
- Education (Pre K to Higher Education): 5%
- Family Advocacy: 8%
- Vision, Hearing & AT Services: 6%
- OSDE: 5%
- Service Providers: 25%
- Resource Coordinators: 21%
- Parents: 19%

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Stakeholder Priorities

Family and Child Outcomes

- Helping Families Communicate Their Child's Needs
- Helping Families Help Their Children Develop and Learn
- Helping Families Know Their Rights
- Improving Behavioral Outcomes
- Improving Skills and Knowledge Outcomes
- Improving Social Emotional Outcomes
Current SoonerStart Data (1)

99% of families indicated that SoonerStart helped them communicate their child’s needs, help their child develop and learn and know their rights.

85% - 87% of SoonerStart children made progress in their social emotional, skills and knowledge, and behavioral outcomes.

FAMILY OUTCOMES

CHILD OUTCOMES
Children referred and evaluated at eight (8) SoonerStart sites scored below the state average in social emotional development (as compared to evaluation results statewide).

2017-2019
Oklahoma children rank 45th overall for child well-being.

2020 KIDS COUNT® Data Book
28.5% of Oklahoma children have experienced two or more adverse childhood experiences. (America’s Health Rankings 2020)
## Current SoonerStart Infrastructure (1)

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Current SoonerStart Infrastructure (2)

SoonerStart Service Model
- Primary service provider (PSP), with team support, manages all services and consultation
- PSP must engage others independently at own discretion
- No formal structure in place to identify and support children’s social-emotional needs
Multiple Oklahoma agencies and programs promote using the Pyramid model framework to support the social and emotional wellness of young children:

- Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness (OPSR)
- OKDHS Child Care Services
- Oklahoma Head Start Agencies
- Oklahoma State Department of Education
SSIP Focus

SoonerStart will provide support to families to help their infants and toddlers improve social emotional outcomes.
Build Program Infrastructure

Implementation of the Pyramid Model Framework
Implement Evidence Based Practices
Measure Child Progress and Improvement
Next Steps
Identify Local Pilot Sites

Commitment to improvement activities → Local team interest (staff survey) → Selection Criteria

Selection Criteria:
- Access to external resources
- Site Staffing Capacity
- Child level data show need
- Timeline: May 15, 2021

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Timeline: May 15, 2021
Collect Baseline Data and Set Targets

- Select Assessment Tool(s) to gather baseline data and measure progress
- Determine SoonerStart population for initial assessment
- Begin baseline assessments

Timeline: 7-1-2021

- Set improvement targets based on baseline results by end of the year.

Timeline: 12-31-2021
Convene SSIP Work Groups

- Pyramid Model – Building Levels of Support
- Data Collection and Evaluation
- Measuring Practice Fidelity
- Collaboration and Partnerships with External Agencies/Program
- Professional Development

Timeline: May 1, 2021
SoonerStart Needs You!

To volunteer for an SSIP Work Group or share your expertise, please contact:

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