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Connecting Families to Services

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THE SIX DIMENSIONS OF A WHOLE CHILD

The Whole Child philosophy is grounded in the notion that communities must address all six dimensions of children's well being to raise healthy children:

- * Physical and Mental Health
- * Quality Education and Development
- * Social-Emotional Development
- * Spiritual Foundation and Strength
- * Safe and Nurturing Environment
- * Economic Stability



HOW WHOLE CHILD CONNECTION WORKS



- Regardless of your family's needs, the Whole Child Connection can point you in all the right directions. All children are different, and finding local services for them can take lots of time and effort. The Whole Child Connection (WCC) makes it easier for families by putting it all in ONE PLACE...**The goal is to link families to needed services.**



HOW WHOLE CHILD CONNECTION WORKS



1. Families answer some simple questions about their family. This becomes their Whole Child Profile.
2. Based on their answers, the WCC system then matches the family with every service or resource they might need. The services are then put into the family's Whole Child Profile.
3. With the family's permission, the providers indicated in the Whole Child Profile will contact the family to assist them in getting the services they need.

Through Whole Child families can easily identify what their needs are and be matched with providers.



HOW WHOLE CHILD CONNECTION WORKS

The Whole Child Connection is not a simple directory of services; rather, it is a system designated to determine family needs. It is designed around the family, not around a directory.

WHOLE CHILD PROFILE



Family/Adult Survey

Please answer each of the questions below by selecting the appropriate YES or NO response to the right. You may also choose to answer any additional questions that appear at the bottom of the page. When you have finished, press the SUBMIT button to see the results of your profile analysis!

Physical and Mental Health

1 Do you have health insurance and/or Medicaid for yourself?

YES NO

2 Do you have a doctor for regular and preventive care?

YES NO



ROLE OF WHOLE CHILD ADVISOR

Whole Child Advisors are available to help by:

- **Assisting families in completing the Whole Child Profile**
- **Assisting families in prioritizing services on the Whole Child Resource list to meet their most immediate needs first**

Nearly every service a child needs is available in our community. The best way to find them is through Whole Child Connection. Families will be linked to the following services:



- Adult Education
- Alternative Education
- Adult Health
- Child Abuse Prevention
- Child Care
- Youth Organizations
- Child Health
- Community Activities
- Cultural and the Arts
- Community Activities
- Faith Based, Religious Community Activities
- Mentoring Community Activities
- Parks and Recreation Community Activities
- Volunteering
- Community Support Groups
- Counseling
- Dentists
- Developmental Disabilities Screening
- Developmental Screening
- Domestic Violence Prevention
- Drug, Alcohol, or Substance Abuse
Emergency Services
- Clothing Emergency Services
- Food Emergency Services
- Other Emergency Services
- Shelter
- Employment Assistance
- Family Literacy
- Family Practice / Internists
- Financial Counseling
- Hearing Screening
- Housing
- Immunizations
- Infant / Child Mental Health Screening
- Mental Health Services
- Neighborhood Crime Watch
- Nutritional Guidance
- Parenting Education
- Pediatricians
- Prenatal Care
- Safety
- School Readiness
- Speech Language Evaluation and Other
Therapies
- Transportation
- Vision Screening



CONFIDENTIALITY AND PRIVACY

- The Whole Child Connection respects the need for confidentiality regarding the personal information entered in the Whole Child Profile. All of the information in this profile is confidential and will only be shared with the client's permission with those he/she designates. Unauthorized users will not have access to any of the data.



HOW FAMILIES BENEFIT FROM WHOLE CHILD CONNECTION

- Enables parents to examine their situation and make decisions about appropriate services to meet the needs of their children
- Electronically and quickly links parents to available services
- Strengthens accountability on the part of providers to be responsive



TESTIMONIES FROM WHOLE CHILD COMMUNITIES

"Because of Whole Child Connection, I learned that counseling services were available at my child's school. Whole Child Connection enabled me to take action and positively affect my child's future by showing me how easy it is to access the services my children need."

"When I was unable to secure the funding I needed to purchase a home, Whole Child Connection connected me to credit counseling services. Now, I have been approved for a home loan, my credit score has improved, and I continue to successfully manage my income more easily than ever before!"



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