**Child Welfare Research and Training Project**

**Service Training**

Iowa State University Partnership with the Iowa Department of Human Services

*Purpose: Staff educate, support, and partner with human service professionals today, so they can empower families to become safe, stable and self-sufficient tomorrow.*

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### Our Impact

**Service Support and Training** within the Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS) is responsible for training DHS social workers in Iowa and for building community partnerships to improve people’s lives. Through ISU’s **Service Training** contract with the Iowa DHS, and in collaboration with University of Northern Iowa and numerous individually contracted trainers, we:

- Host over 9,000 users on DHS Service Training Website
- Offer over 100 courses and webinars per year
- Provided initial in-service orientation training to over 75 new DHS service case managers and DHS assessors in 2017
- Trained 3,010 participants in 2017 including DHS staff, community providers, and students
- Serve on and provide leadership for service-related DHS committees

### We Deliver Statewide

- On-line instructional courses, blended learning opportunities, and classroom training
- Continuing education opportunities for social work licensing

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### Training and Consultation Provided

**Social Worker Training**

- Foundations of Social Worker 2 Practice
- Basic Training for Social Worker 3 Child Protective Workers
- Child Protective Assessment
- Family Interactions
- Fundamental trainings for Mental Health, Medical, Substance Abuse, and Family Team Decision Making
- Intermediate trainings for Mental Health
- Dependent Adult Abuse
- Testifying and Legal Aspects of Social Work

**Domestic Violence**

- Safe & Together Model state-wide
- Domestic Violence and Safety Fundamentals
- Domestic Violence and Safety Intermediate
- Consult on cases involving domestic violence

**Cultural Competence**

- Culturally competent practice
- Race: Power of an Illusion facilitation

**Trauma Initiative**

- Trauma Fundamentals
- Trauma Informed Supervision

### Programs Offered

**Community Partnerships for Protecting Children (CPPC)**

- Engage community leaders in developing community neighborhood networking opportunities
- Provide learning opportunities to enhance skills of community leaders
- Facilitate programming for awareness of disproportionality and cultural equity
- Offer AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children member placement opportunities

### Social Work Resources

- Blueprints for Permanency
- Practice Bulletins
- Topic-specific blogs and newsletters
- Screening tools

### Project Opportunities

- Research service worker learning needs
- Analyze service worker learning outcome data
- Provide programming for learning management system
- Offer internships and service learning projects

### FY 18 Funding

- $1.68 million direct costs