

WRAPAROUND COUNTY PLAN

(Insert Reporting Period)

(Insert County Name)



Wraparound County Plan Template

Introduction

As amended by the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA), Section 672(k)(4)(F) of Title 42 of the United States Code, requires six months of aftercare services to be provided to youth exiting Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTPs). California operationalized FFPSA's mandate in Welfare Institutions (WIC) Code 4096.6, which states that by October 1, 2021, each county child welfare agency, probation department, and mental health plan will jointly provide, arrange for, or ensure the provision of the six months of aftercare services for youth and nonminor dependents transitioning from a Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) to a family-based setting. Aftercare support in California will, by October 1, 2022, utilize California's High-Fidelity Wraparound model. By leveraging Wraparound to provide these services, aftercare services must be informed by the ten Wraparound Principles and the Wraparound Standards, published and outlined in ACIN I-52-15, supporting each child's permanency plan.

California is utilizing a phased-in approach to high-fidelity Wraparound to implement family-based aftercare, leveraging the resources counties already have in place, as outlined below:

By November 15th, 2021 counties must submit a Wraparound plan to CDSS and DHCS, which must include the provision of family-based aftercare, using the provided template. The purpose of this Wraparound plan, per WIC 18252 and WIC 4096.6(d), is to outline at minimum, the current status of each county's Wraparound program or other resources (such as Child and Family Team (CFT) programs, Family Urgent Response System (FURS) programs, existing Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Full-Service Partnerships dedicated to foster youth, Intensive Home-Based Services and other specialty mental health services, STRTP aftercare services, etc.), how they will leverage these resources to provide family-based aftercare services, and how they will continue to develop high-fidelity Wraparound programs, including provision of family-based aftercare to eligible children and nonminor dependents, by the October 1, 2022 deadline. Additionally, for the November 15, 2021 deadline, the purpose of the plan is informational, not compliance oriented. If there is incomplete information in the plan or there are follow up questions, a CDSS/DHCS representative may reach out to counties to gain additional information or provide technical assistance to support counties.

Template Completion Instructions

The Wraparound County Plan shall be jointly completed and submitted by the probation department, mental health plan, and child welfare department, in consultation with the Interagency Leadership Team (ILT), which also includes other system partners such as education and regional center/developmental services. Tribes, youth and families, and community-based and faith-based organizations and partners should also be included in the development of this Wraparound County Plan.

For counties who have Wraparound contracts with providers, counties should include their provider(s)' input in the written responses.

1. In the first column describe how you are currently delivering Wraparound or, if you do not currently utilize Wraparound, how you are leveraging existing resources to implement the aftercare mandate.

2. Completion of information in the second column is requested, but not required, at this time. Describe any known steps or plans to incrementally build to the standards and practices outlined in ACIN I-52-15 towards a high-fidelity Wraparound model. Sharing your county's thoughts and ideas on how your county plans to meet the high-fidelity Wraparound requirements by October 1, 2022 will help CDSS and DHCS provide tailored and individualized technical assistance and support to your county with planning and implementation efforts.

Please submit this plan by November 15, 2022 electronically to WraparoundQuestions@dss.ca.gov.

Describe the collaboration process and who participated in the collaboration process to develop this plan.	
Contact information for follow up questions regarding the information in the template.	Name: Title: Phone: Email:

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Child Welfare Agency	Name	
	Phone & E-mail	
Juvenile Probation Agency	Name	
	Phone & E-mail	
Mental Health Plan	Name	
	Phone & E-mail	
Wraparound or Other Provider(s)*	Name	
	Agency	
	Phone & E-mail	
	Mailing Address	
County Wraparound Coordinator	Name	
	Agency	
	Phone & E-mail	
County Aftercare Coordinator (if different from above)	Name	
	Agency	
	Phone & E-mail	

*Add additional lines as necessary (i.e. for other programs being leveraged).

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Name of County	
County Child Welfare Agency Deputy Director or designee	
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County Deputy Chief Probation Officer or designee	
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County Behavioral Health Deputy Director or designee	
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County Wraparound Plan Template

1. Overview Questions:		
Information to consider when completing this section: In this section, provide brief, overview responses to the information requested. More detailed information can be provided in sections 2-7.		
To meet the requirements of AB 153, does your county plan to leverage existing Wraparound programs?		
Do you plan to leverage other existing programs or resources to meet the aftercare mandate in FY 2021-22? If so, what programs?		
Do you plan to create/fund a new program or service to meet the aftercare requirements in FY 2021-22? If so, what program?		
What additional support would be helpful to implement high-fidelity Wraparound?		
What are your county's greatest needs/barriers in supporting high-fidelity Wraparound in your county?		
2. System of Care		
Information to consider when completing this section: County agencies utilize Wraparound for various defined target populations of children and families served by child welfare, probation, mental health, education, regional centers, Adoption Assistance Program (AAP), etc. Wraparound, including aftercare, should include a plan for sharing information consistent with state and federal law and a meeting platform to discuss Wraparound referrals and programmatic decisions including all appropriate partners. Counties may consider including Wraparound in their Children and Youth System of Care Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).		
	Wraparound or other resources leveraged for Aftercare effective October 1, 2021	Projected for High-Fidelity Wraparound by October 1, 2022 (information in this column is requested, but not required)
Describe how child welfare, probation, mental health, education, regional centers, and other partners currently (or		

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<p>plan to) collaborate to serve youth and families with Wraparound and/or other aftercare resources.</p>		
<p>Are Wraparound or any aftercare resources currently (or planned to be) included in the System of Care MOU? If not, why?</p>		
<p>How is information pertaining to families currently (or planned to be) shared between system partners, including the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) assessment in Wraparound as well as confidential and protected health information?</p>		
<p>If a contract provider is (or will be) utilized, which system partners (will) manage the Wraparound or other aftercare contract? If the county provides (or will provide) services directly, which system partners currently provide (or will provide) the Wraparound/aftercare service? Consider inclusion of Tribally based Wraparound programs to ensure equity in the provision of culturally appropriate services for Indian children.</p>		

3. Eligibility, Enrollment and Referral

Information to consider when completing this section: Each county determines which target populations they will serve with their Wraparound program. However, all children and nonminor dependents must be provided/offered Wraparound aftercare services at least six months after discharge from an STRTP to a family-based setting. Consistent with WIC 4096.6, aftercare services must

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leverage existing wraparound programs and other resources no later than October 1, 2021. By October 1, 2022, family-based aftercare services must include the use of California’s high-fidelity Wraparound model.

If counties choose to provide Wraparound services to target populations, in addition to children transitioning from an STRTP to a family-based setting, [County Fiscal Letter \(CFL\) 20/21-94](#) explains eligibility criteria and claiming instructions for local revenue (realignment) funds and county general funds, Wraparound Trust Funds, AAP funds, and other potential funding sources. If unspent funds remain in county Wraparound Trust Funds after providing high-fidelity Wraparound services to their selected target populations, counties should utilize such funds to further expand their Wraparound target population. Please note that the FFPSA aftercare Wraparound funding allocations are not available to be reinvested via Wraparound Trust Funds, as FFPSA allocations will likely be claimed and tracked separately. More information about the FFPSA aftercare Wraparound funding allocations is forthcoming via CFL.

	Wraparound or other resources leveraged for Aftercare effective October 1, 2021	Projected for High-Fidelity Wraparound by October 1, 2022 (information in this column is requested, but not required)
Describe your county’s current (or planned) eligibility criteria for Wraparound, including family-based aftercare.		
Describe how will your county currently (or plans to) maximize EPSDT funding for Wraparound/aftercare while ensuring appropriate medical necessity determinations are made.		
Describe your county’s current (or planned) referral process and how your county will ensure all children and nonminor dependents in need of Wraparound services (and their families), including those eligible for family-based aftercare, are referred.		
Describe your county’s plan to ensure adequate capacity for all children and nonminor dependents (and their families)		

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eligible for Wraparound services, and specifically for those eligible for family-based aftercare services.		
Describe your county's process for ensuring youth-specific, family-based aftercare plans will be developed in collaboration with the STRTP and in consideration of any services or supports identified by the CFT, and in the case of an Indian child, the Indian child's tribe.		
Describe how services will be extended if the youth/family requires Wraparound/aftercare services beyond six months of aftercare.		
<p>4. Workforce Development and Staff Requirements</p>		
<p>Information to consider when completing this section: Workforce Development includes staff selection and minimum qualifications, coaching, supervision, and professional evaluation requirements, recruitment and retention guidance, training, skill development, and fiscal support. This applies to staff who are directly providing Wraparound in leadership and direct care, including county and provider staff. Additional guidance and requirements will be developed to support high-fidelity Wraparound.</p>		
	<p>Wraparound or other resources leveraged for Aftercare effective October 1, 2021</p>	<p>Projected for High-Fidelity Wraparound by October 1, 2022 (information in this column is requested, but not required)</p>
Describe the positions that are required (or will be required) in your Wraparound program (or other programs being leveraged for aftercare).		
What are your county's current (or planned) training requirements for each position?		

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What are your county's current (or planned) coaching/supervision requirements for each position?		
What is the current (or planned) education, experience, and skills required for each position?		
What is (or will be) the typical number of assigned families for each position?		
How does (or will) your county promote retention?		
5. Data, Fidelity, and Outcomes		
<p>Information to consider when completing this section: By enhancing and developing outcome and fidelity measures, data collection, and continuous quality improvement processes, Wraparound programs statewide will build continuity in practice and improve equitable safety, wellbeing, and permanency outcomes for children and families through the provision of high-fidelity Wraparound programs. High-fidelity Wraparound is defined as alignment with the California Wraparound Standards, which is further described in the “6. Practice” section below.</p> <p>This section includes defining, tracking, and measuring key indicators such as: Qualitative and quantitative data points within Wraparound; Wraparound fidelity and outcomes data; Use of fidelity tools; Cost effectiveness of Wraparound programs; and Continuous Quality Improvement processes.</p>		
	Wraparound or other resources leveraged for Aftercare effective October 1, 2021	Projected for High-Fidelity Wraparound by October 1, 2022 (information in this column is requested, but not required)
Describe how your county currently (or plans to) collect Wraparound/aftercare data, including accurate Wraparound/aftercare enrollment documentation, in CWS/CMS.		

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Describe how your county will (or plans to) ensure CQI, including fidelity tools and Wraparound model fidelity.		
Describe how your county currently (or plans to) integrate CANS into Wraparound/aftercare services.		
Describe the outcomes your county is currently (or plans to) track, which may include placement stability, permanency, reentry, number of natural connections, psychiatric hospital stays, educational achievement, reduction in disproportional representation of children of color in the child welfare system, etc.		
6. Fiscal		
<p>Information to consider when completing this section: Wraparound is most effective when funding streams are blended and braided to the extent allowed by federal and state law, ensuring the availability of flexible funds to meet Wraparound youth/family needs that are identified in the plan. Wraparound savings generated from reducing care and placement costs can be used to provide prevention Wraparound services and expand enrollment capacity. CFL 20/21-94 provides comprehensive eligibility criteria and claiming instructions for local revenue (realignment) funds and county general funds, Wraparound Trust Funds, AAP funds, and other potential funding sources. Instructions for FFPSA aftercare Wraparound funding is not included.</p> <p>Please note that the funding allocated for family-based aftercare services as required by WIC 4096.6 is not available to be reinvested via Wraparound Trust Funds. However, funding for Wraparound aftercare services may be supplemented by Wraparound Trust Funds. More information about the FFPSA aftercare Wraparound funding allocations is forthcoming via CFL.</p>		
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How does (or will) your county utilize Wraparound Trust Funds to expand and sustain your county's Wraparound program, including aftercare (if at all)?		
Describe which funding sources are (or will be) used for your county's Wraparound program, including aftercare.		
Describe the process by which Wraparound teams, including aftercare, can (or will) gain access to flexible funding.		
If providers are utilized in your county, at what rate are they (or will they be) funded and how was (or how will) the rate determination (be) made to ensure high-fidelity Wraparound/aftercare is or will be provided?		
Describe how your county will utilize the FFPSA aftercare funding to expand or create Wraparound program capacity, fidelity, and/or quality (and avoid supplanting other non-Wraparound programs with Wraparound funding).		

7. Practice

Information to consider when completing this section: The Wraparound model is based on the ten principles listed below. Wraparound program practice should fully operationalize these principles and be based on the California Wraparound standards in [ACIN I-52-15](#). These standards include, but are not limited to 24/7 crisis support, emphasis on natural supports, culturally respectful practice (including efforts to dismantle racial disproportionality within the Wraparound program), community-based engagement, education and training to potential natural and informal supports, and commitment to permanency for all youth and families (including family finding, engagement, and building life-long connections).

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Please describe how your county currently (or plans to) support these Wraparound principles and standards, and how your county plans to improve its support of these Wraparound principles:

	Wraparound or other resources leveraged for Aftercare effective October 1, 2021	Projected for High-Fidelity Wraparound by October 1, 2022 (information in this column is requested, but not required)
Family Voice and Choice		
Team-Based Decision Making		
Natural Supports		
Collaboration		
Community-Based		
Culturally Respectful		
Individualized		
Strength-Based		
Persistence		
Outcomes-Based		
24/7 Crisis Support		
Racial Equity and Inclusion		
Permanency & Family Finding and Engagement		

8. Any additional information or questions may be included here:

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