

THE PII APPROACH

IMPLEMENTATION

Exploration and Installation
Identify target population(s), create readiness for change, explore possible interventions, select intervention, prepare system to implement, and ensure functional teaming structures

Initial Implementation
Test critical elements, adjust intervention implementation supports, and revisit teaming structures

Full Implementation
Revisit teaming structures and monitor and assess the intervention and implementation supports

EVALUATION

Formative Evaluation
Monitor relationships between program outputs and short-term outcomes

*Depending on results of evaluation, **Stop, Go to Summative Evaluation, Go back to Exploration, or Improve fidelity***

Summative Evaluation
Evaluate long-term impact of interventions

*Depending on results of evaluation, **Improve implementation integrity, Go back to Exploration, Modify intervention based on data, or Go to Replication and Adaptation***

INTEGRATION OF IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE AND RIGOROUS EVALUATION

SUSTAINABILITY

DISSEMINATION



BUILDING EVIDENCE



BROADSCALE ROLLOUT

IMPROVING PERMANENCY OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN IN LONG-TERM FOSTER CARE

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A 5-year, \$100 million Presidential Initiative, the Permanency Innovations Initiative (PII) was designed to support six Grantees to develop and implement innovative intervention strategies to reduce long-term foster care stays and improve child and family outcomes. The project integrates implementation science and rigorous evaluation to build an evidence base for child welfare policy and practice. It also includes a comprehensive dissemination plan, which ensures that PII findings and lessons learned are available to the child welfare field in a timely manner. PII aims to:

- Implement innovative intervention strategies informed by relevant literature to reduce long-term foster care stays and improve child outcomes;
- Use an implementation science framework enhanced by child welfare expertise to guide technical assistance activities;
- Rigorously evaluate the validity of research-informed innovations and adapted evidence-supported interventions in reducing long-term foster care; and
- Build an evidence base and disseminate findings to build knowledge in the child welfare field.



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