



Park Family Connections

Families and Community Working Together

Park Family Connections was developed out of **Colorado House Bill 1451**. Park Family Connections is a group of caring individuals and agencies who want to help children and families in Park County become stronger, happier and at peace by coordinating care.

Vision - To access comprehensive, integrated services and supports for every family with children in our community.

Mission - To give families with children a healthy, stable environment by connecting community resources and coordinating care.

Referrals - Referrals can be made by any partnering agency.

How does the process start?

Once you decide if the program could be a good fit for you and your family, a referral is made. The Park Family Connections coordinator will spend time learning about and helping you identify your families' unique strengths and needs. You may be asked to take part in an Individualized Service Support Team (ISST). This is a collaboration of professionals and individuals partnering with the family to achieve the best personal success. The ISST is committed to empowering families so they can regain control of things that are important in their life. The coordinator will help guide you in the creation of your family's support team. The team will include people you choose. They could be family, friends, professional and anyone else who has been supportive or helpful to you and your family.

At the team meeting, a plan will be created that fits your family's strengths and needs. The coordinator will meet regularly with you and your team to determine what is working and what is not. The plan can be adjusted anytime you see it is necessary.

Transition

While there will always be new concerns and issues that you might be faced with, there will come a time when you will feel that you have the tools and supports necessary to face these challenges without regular involvement. This is when you will know you are ready to begin the transition process. The coordinator will help you create a transition plan that will help you know how to utilize the resources available to you.

Components of Success

- **Commitment to the Process**
- **Willingness to Participate in Goal Planning**
- **Complete Multiple Agency Release Form**
- **Open Communication**
- **Commitment to Follow Through**

What can I expect from the team?

- **Confidentiality**
- **Professional Conduct by Staff**
- **Listening to Your Needs**
- **Team Accountability**
- **Non-Judgmental Atmosphere**
- **Straight Talk**
- **Resources**
- **Team Service Planning**