**Foster Care *– Updated 5/28/2025***

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| Prevention #2: Collaborate across Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Divisions and with local nonprofits and community-based organizations. |

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| **ACTION ITEMS** |
| 1. **Mentorship opportunities for youth in out-of-home placements and at risk of being removed from the home (to prevent re-entry)** |
| 1. **Improvement engagement for caregivers (bio/foster/kinship/adoptive families) to access existing support to prevent burnout and disruptive placement.** |
| 1. **Platform for connecting faith-based communities with opportunities to meet tangible needs of Idaho families.** |
| 1. **Identify opportunities to minimize disruption to education involvement for children placed in out-of-home care.** |

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| **ACTION ITEM #1** | |
| **Mentorship opportunities for youth in out-of-home placements and at risk of being removed from the home (to prevent re-entry)** | |
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| **TARGET OBJECTIVES** | |
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| **SMART GOALS TO ACCOMPLISH ACTION ITEM #1 OBJECTIVES** | | | | |
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| **CONSULTING STAKEHOLDERS FOR ACTION ITEM #1** | |
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| **RESOURCES, RISKS, AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ACTION ITEM #1** | |
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| **ACTION ITEM #2** | |
| **Improvement engagement for caregivers (bio/foster/kinship/adoptive families) to access existing support to prevent burnout and disruptive placement.** | |
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| **TARGET OBJECTIVES** | |
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| **SMART GOALS TO ACCOMPLISH ACTION ITEM #2 OBJECTIVES** | | | | |
| **OBJECTIVE** | **SPECIFIC OUTCOME** | **METRIC FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT** | **TARGET DATE FOR COMPLETION** | **RESPONSIBLE PARTY** |
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| **CONSULTING STAKEHOLDERS FOR ACTION ITEM #2** | |
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| **RESOURCES, RISKS, AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ACTION ITEM #2** | |
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| **ACTION ITEM #3** | |
| **Platform for connecting faith-based communities with opportunities to meet tangible needs of Idaho families.** | |
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| **TARGET OBJECTIVES** | |
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| **SMART GOALS TO ACCOMPLISH ACTION ITEM #3 OBJECTIVES** | | | | |
| **OBJECTIVE** | **SPECIFIC OUTCOME** | **METRIC FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT** | **TARGET DATE FOR COMPLETION** | **RESPONSIBLE PARTY** |
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| **ACTION ITEM #3 TEAM LEAD** | |
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| **RESOURCES, RISKS, AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ACTION ITEM #3** | |
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| **ACTION ITEM #4** | |
| **Identify opportunities to minimize disruption to education involvement for children placed in out-of-home care.** | |
| **FULL DESCRIPTION** | |
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| **TARGET OBJECTIVES** | |
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| **SMART GOALS TO ACCOMPLISH ACTION ITEM #4 OBJECTIVES** | | | | |
| **OBJECTIVE** | **SPECIFIC OUTCOME** | **METRIC FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT** | **TARGET COMPLETION DATE** | **RESPONSIBLE PARTY** |
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| **CONSULTING STAKEHOLDERS FOR ACTION ITEM #4** | |
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| **RESOURCES, RISKS, AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ACTION ITEM #4** | |
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