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Early Childhood Project	State-funded	 Children 0-3 with an open Intact Family Services Case Children 0-3 whose parents are teenaged wards receiving DCFS/Teen Parent Services Children 0-5 who are wards of the state (Placement Family Services cases) 	Collaborative effort between DCFS and Erikson Institute, implemented to serve and meet the needs of young children who are in DCFS care or being closely monitored by the child welfare system. The components of this program are: Early Childhood Placement Family Services Program and Early Childhood Intact Family Services Program. These programs provide developmental screenings and offer consultations and referrals (to Early Intervention and other services) for early childhood related issues for children up to age 5. Trauma, attachment, and social-emotional issues are major components of the screening process. For children who are wards of the state, program staff participates in each child's Clinical Intervention for Placement Preservation (CIPP) process to offer consultation on early childhood issues.
Extended Family Support Program (EFSP)	State-funded	Relative caregiver who has been caring for their relative's children for more than 14 days	 The Extended Family Support Program (EFSP) provides services to stabilize the home of a relative caregiver who has been caring for their relative's children for more than 14 days. The services are to avoid involvement of the relative and child in the child welfare system. Services provided by EFSP include: Help obtaining guardianship in the local probate court; Help obtaining a child only grant, subsidized day care and other entitlements; Help enrolling children in the school district where the relative caregiver lives; and Cash assistance for items needed to stabilize the household.
Family Advocacy Centers (FACs)	State-funded	 Parents of children under the age of 18 who are involved in the child welfare system May provide services to children/families not DCFS involved, with priority on families with children 0-6 who may be at risk for abuse or neglect 	Family Advocacy Centers provide parents with the support and encouragement they need to follow through on the goals that will allow them to keep or regain custody of their children. Family Advocacy Centers tailor their services to the individual needs of the communities they serve. There are 23 FACs across the state operated by a variety of community-based groups.
Intact Family Services	State-funded	 Families with children under the age of 18 Eligible based on caseworker referral following a substantiated abuse or neglect report 	The Intact Family Services program is designed to work with at-risk families who have been referred for continuing assistance and monitoring following a child abuse or neglect investigation. The Intact Family Services program ensures the safety and well-being of children without the need for protective custody by providing families with needed in-home services, including counseling, domestic violence prevention, substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, parenting coaching/classes or housing.
School Readiness Unit	State-funded	 Children age 3-5 under DCFS guardianship DCFS School Readiness Unit begins tracking children at 	DCFS policy stipulates that all children for whom the Department of Children and Family Services is legally responsible should be enrolled in an early childhood education program. Caseworkers facilitate the enrollment of children of wards and children in intact families aged 3-5 in Head Start, Preschool for All, or accredited/Gold Circle of Quality child care programs.

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		 age 2.5 to ensure enrollment at age 3 Children with open Intact Family Services cases Children who have a parent in the TPSN strongly encouraged to participate 	
Teen Parenting Service Network (TPSN)	State-funded	 Pregnant and parenting wards of the state Children of youth wards who become wards of the state 	The Teen Parenting Service Network is responsible for monitoring and ensuring client rights of all pregnant and parenting teen wards of the state of Illinois and their children. TPSN offers supportive services to DCFS case management agencies across the state, such as staff training and linkages to community services. In Cook and the collar counties, TPSN offers direct services to clients, including: Educational Mentoring, Clinical Therapy, and Family Support Services.

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All Kids (Medicaid eligibility category)	Federal and state funding	 Eligible children: Live in Illinois. Are age 18 or younger. Meet the insurance requirements for All Kids Meet the All Kids income guidelines (318% FPL) Desired Outcome: To provide affordable, comprehensive health coverage to low-income children. 	 Comprehensive, affordable health insurance for children, regardless of immigration status or health condition. The full range of health benefits include: doctor visits, hospital stays, prescription drugs, vision care, dental care, eyeglasses, and transportation to appointments. Services like medical equipment, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy are also covered, when medically necessary. Premiums and co-pays are required at higher income levels. For more information, visit: https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalPrograms/AllKids/Pages/default.aspx
FamilyCare (Medicaid eligibility category)	Federal and state funding	Eligible parents and caretaker relatives:Live in IllinoisLive with their children 18 years old or younger	 Comprehensive, affordable health insurance for parents and caretaker relatives regardless of their health condition who 1) live with their children who are 18 years old or younger, and 2) are U.S. Citizens or Qualified Immigrants. The full range of health benefits include doctor visits, hospital stays, prescription drugs, vision care, dental care, eyeglasses and transportation to appointments. Services like

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		 Are U.S. Citizens or Qualified Immigrants Meet the income requirements (138% FPL) To provide affordable, comprehensive health coverage to low-income parents and caretaker relatives. 	medical equipment, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy are also covered, when medically necessary. • For more information, visit: <u>https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalPrograms/AllKids/Pages/FamilyCare.aspx</u>
Moms and Babies (Medicaid eligibility category)	Federal and state funding	 Eligible moms and babies: Live in Illinois Pregnant women through 60 days of postpartum and their infants Meet the income requirements (213% FPL) To provide affordable, comprehensive health coverage to low-income pregnant women and their infants. 	 Comprehensive, affordable health insurance for pregnant women through 60 days after the baby is born and their infants, regardless of immigration status or health condition The full range of health benefits include inpatient hospital care, including delivery, doctor visits, prescription drugs, vision care, dental care, eyeglasses, and transportation to appointments. Services like medical equipment, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy are also covered, when medically necessary. For more information, visit: https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalPrograms/AllKids/Pages/MomsAndBabies.aspx
HealthChoice Illinois (Medicaid care coordination program)	Federal and state funding	 Eligible enrollees: Live in Illinois Health plan enrollees include Medicaid beneficiaries who are eligible through All Kids, Moms & Babies, and FamilyCare and who are not excluded from managed care. To provide affordable, comprehensive health coverage with care coordination support to Medicaid beneficiaries. 	 Comprehensive, affordable health insurance for Medicaid beneficiaries in All Kids, Moms & Babies, FamilyCare, and other Medicaid eligibility categories. The full range of health benefits include doctor visits, hospital stays, prescription drugs, vision care, dental care, eyeglasses, and transportation to appointments. Services like medical equipment, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy are also covered, when medically necessary. Health plans provide care coordination services to enrollees. Health plans can provide additional benefits beyond what Medical typically covers. Care coordination services include health risk screenings and assessments, personalized care plans, integrated care teams, and referrals to additional social supports when needed. HealthChoice Illinois health plan options: BlueCross BlueShield, CountyCare (Cook County only), IlliniCare, Meridian, Molina, and NextLevel Health (Cook County only) For more information, visit: https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/healthchoice/Pages/default.aspx

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Better Birth Outcomes	IL General Revenue Fund; Federal Social Services Block Grant	Pregnant women with risk factors that lead to poor birth outcomes.	 Intensive case management to decrease infant mortality and morbidity, improve pregnancy outcomes, and reduce the incidence of prematurity and low birth weight. Linkages with and coordination of primary and specialty care Monthly home or clinic visits from a licensed social worker or nurse Standardized prenatal health education Available in areas of the state with higher than average Medicaid costs associated with poor birth outcomes and with higher than average numbers of Medicaid women delivering premature infants
Caregiver Connections (Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant)	CCDBG	Mission: Caregiver Connections supports child care providers, families, and communities to build capacity in nurturing positive relationships, healthy social-emotional development and resiliency for all young children. The Caregiver Connections program is statewide and is designed to help child care providers recognize, understand and respond to the social emotional needs of the children, birth through age five, in their care.	 The main contractor provides programmatic oversight of the program – securing subcontractors and ensuring that qualified individuals are in place to provide services listed below. Each Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant will: Provide training, consultation, technical assistance services to child care providers based on the provider's need within the designated SDA. Offer training/consultation services with the goal of increasing child care competency levels when working with children and families in addressing social/emotional health, which will in turn, reduce disenrollment from child care programs. Conduct on-site visits to child care programs within the designated SDA. Provide a linkage between the child care field and the mental health field by offering consultation services to children and families with social/emotional challenges. Provide referrals to outside agencies in the social, mental health and health areas based on individual identified needs of children and/or families. Partner with the local CCR&R, specifically the Infant Toddler Child Care Specialist and the Quality Specialist to identify prospective providers and determine site-specific needs for mental health promotion, consultation, and services.
Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP)	Federal Child Care Development Fund, TANF, Title XX; IL General Revenue Fund	 Live in Illinois Be employed and/or going to an eligible educational activity Have children younger than 13 that need care while working or going to school, children with documented special needs may be eligible up to the age of 19 Have family income below allowable limits 	 Provides low-income families who are working or attending school with access to quality, affordable child care that allows them to continue working and contributes to the healthy, emotional and social development of the child CCAP can help families pay for care in center-based or home settings Families are required to cost-share child care expenses on a sliding scale based on family size, income and number of children in care Families can apply using a paper application Illinois has a statewide network for Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) agencies that are contracted by IDHS as CCAP points of entry – families should be referred to the CCR&R that serves the region in which they live for questions about eligibility or for information about finding care for their children

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		 Families who are receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and participating in education & training in accordance with their responsibility and service plans (RSP) Teen parents seeking a high school degree or its equivalent Families not receiving TANF, who are pursuing additional education to improve their job opportunities. Families experiencing homelessness (homeless families do not have a work or school attendance requirement) 	Illinois has a statewide network of Licensed Centers and Family Home networks that are contracted by IDHS to provide quality early childhood services in their communities and also serve as CCAP points of entry
Community-Based Mental Health Centers	General Revenue & Federal Funding	 Children, adolescents, and adults with or at risk of a mental health concern 	As the State Mental Health Authority, the Division of Mental Health (DMH) is responsible for assuring that children, adolescents and adults, throughout Illinois, have the availability of and access to public-funded mental health. Service delivery for DMH is provided within five geographically organized service Regions, by 207 community mental health centers and seven adult state-operated psychiatric hospitals, containing both civil and forensic beds. Contact information for emergency and non-emergency services, partners, resources, and services and supports can be found at: http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=29735
Early Intervention (Part C of IDEA)	Federal Part C, Medicaid reimbursement, state GRF transfers and Family Participation fees	 Children birth to age three who: Have a significant delay in at least one area of development (cognitive, physical, communication, social or emotional, and adaptive) Have a condition that is known to cause disability or delay 	 To assure that families who have infants and toddlers, birth to three, with diagnosed disabilities, developmental delays or substantial risk of significant delays receive resources and supports that assist them in maximizing their child's development, while respecting the diversity of families and communities. The Early Intervention (Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) system provides coordinated, comprehensive, multidisciplinary, social and developmental services to children under the age of three who have a developmental delay or disability or who are at risk of a delay. Children and families can receive services in their home or community. Regionally based Child and Family Connection (CFC) offices are the system points of entry for all Early Intervention services. CFCs are responsible for: responding to referrals, intake of families, coordination of evaluation, and eligibility determinations for children; oversight of the development of individualized family service plans; and ongoing service coordination,

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		Are at high risk for a substantial developmental delay	 including transition to services outside of Early Intervention when a child leaves or as a child nears his/her third birthday. A statewide network of qualified personnel credentialed and/or enrolled in the Early Intervention system, provide children with one or more of the El services in their home or community natural environment setting. Infants and toddlers are evaluated to see if there is a delay in the five domains of development (adaptive, cognitive, communication, physical and social/emotional). El services may include: assistive technology, audiology/aural rehabilitation, developmental therapy/special instruction, family training and support, health consultation, medical services (only for diagnostic or evaluation purposes), nursing, nutrition, occupational therapy, physical therapy, psychological/counseling services, service coordination, sign language or cued language, social work, speech language pathology, transportation, vision, and translation/interpretation to other languages.
Family Case Management	IL General Revenue Fund; Federal Social Services Block Grant	Pregnant women and infants (0-12 months) with low- income (<200% FPL)	 Statewide programs that help income eligible woman and infants to obtain the health care services and other assistance they may need to have a healthy pregnancy and to promote healthy development of the infant Goals of the FCM Program are to: provide access to primary health care, identify and resolve service barriers, provide health education to all eligible clients, reduce infant mortality and morbidity, reduce very low and low birth weight rates The program provides access to medical care, pediatric health education and counseling, developmental screening, and referrals to other community services as needed. Services include: outreach and case management, referrals, SIDS education and prevention, home visits (at least one during pregnancy and infancy) Services offered can help families: find a doctor for prenatal care, find a doctor for your infant's care, understand the stages of infant's development, get information on how to become a better parent, understand the importance of prenatal care, learn the signs and symptoms of pre-term labor, understand the importance of regularly scheduled well child visits, and understand the importance of immunizations Can connect families to other resources including: WIC, family planning, health education, hearing/vision, substance abuse, prenatal/parenting classes, child care, housing, smoking cessation, lead screening, transportation, Early Intervention, immunizations, well child exams, All Kids, domestic violence
Family Community Resource Centers (FCRCs)		The Division of Family & Community Services (FCS) improves the health and well- being of families and individuals through partnerships and services that build community competence.	 FCRC's are Illinois' "one stop" centers for cash and medical assistance, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and job services. They are located in communities across the state. While SNAP, WIC, cash assistance, and medical programs are the services that are most well-known, there are many other programs and services offered through the division.

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Family Health Technical Assistance	General Revenue Funding/ Federal	Technical assistance training to agencies	To establish Technical Assistance Training to enhance provider capabilities through a variety of activities, services, and resources including training and workshops; developing and distributing a training handbook and other printed materials; and participating in work groups and promoting professional development for Healthy Families, MIECHV, and Parents Too Soon programs.
Healthy Families Illinois	IL General Revenue Fund	 Services to pregnant women and children up to the age of 5. Families at risk of child abuse and neglect are identified during pregnancy or at time of birth through a structured assessment that includes potential risk factors. 	 Voluntary home visiting program that works with new and expectant parents to strengthen their families' functioning and reduce their risk for child abuse and/or neglect, utilizing the research-based Healthy Families America program model. Services are provided through intensive home visits, starting with bi-weekly visits during the pregnancy and increasing to weekly visits for at least six months following the child's birth. Home visits may continue up to five years, with the length and frequency determined by the needs of the family. Services focus on development of good parenting skills and referral to necessary resources. Program assists parent in identifying/meeting their own educational/employment goals.
High Risk Infant Follow-up	IL General Revenue Fund; Federal Social Services Block Grant	 Infants with an APORS diagnosis at birth or found after hospital discharge. May include: a serious congenital infection; an endocrine, metabolic or immune disorder; a blood disorder; birth weight less than 1,500 grams; positive urine toxicology for any drug or signs of drug toxicity or withdrawal; discharge from a neonatal intensive care unit; or a congenital anomaly or other conditions, such as intrauterine growth retardation Children at medical and/or environmental risk because of an adolescent parent, drug-abusing parent or high- risk situation identified by the public health nurses. 	 Goals are: promotion of optimal growth and development; teach the family care of the high-risk infant; prevent complications; decrease morbidity and mortality; decrease stress and the potential for abuse; and ensure early identification and referral for further treatment and evaluation. Follow-up services: case management, physical assessment, developmental assessment, home visits, monitor infant development, educate and support parents in caring for at-risk infant, support parents in obtaining needed resources, refer to appropriate agencies and services

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Migrant and Seasonal Head Start	Federal	 Low-income agricultural workers with children younger than 6 years old Eligibility determined by income, type of work, and age of children Desired Outcome: to promote the school readiness of young children. School readiness means children are prepared for school, families are supporting their children's learning, and schools are ready as children transition into kindergarten. 	 Provides comprehensive Head Start child development program to children ages six weeks to six years from migrant and seasonal farm-worker families (any ethnicity or race), in delegate centers and child care partner locations, in a variety of ways. <i>Early Learning</i>: Teachers facilitate individualized learning experiences to promote children's readiness for school and beyond. Through planned and spontaneous instruction, relationships with adults, and play, children grow in language and literacy, early math and science concepts, and social and emotional development. <i>Health</i>: Children receive health and development screenings, nutritious meals, oral health and mental health support. Programs connect families with medical, dental, and mental health services, and ensure that children are receiving the services they need. <i>Family well-being</i>: Parents and families are supported in achieving their own goals, such as housing stability, continued education, and financial security. Programs support and strengthen parent-child relationships and engage families around children's learning and development.
Parents Care & Share		 Parenting adults of all ages and their children Any parent in Illinois, who is not impaired by alcohol or drugs and not at risk of harming themselves or others, and wishes to be in a parent support group 	 Goals are to prevent child abuse and neglect by helping families to increase their family management and social support skills Parents meet at weekly support groups and peer-to-peer support is maintained outside of meetings Programming is delivered through a community based organization with statewide operation – Children's Home & Aid has groups throughout the Chicagoland area and central Illinois with groups generally open to anyone who is parenting but some groups may have a specific type of parent such as teen parents, parents of autistic children, or adoptive parents Other services offered include peer support and leadership development
Parents Too Soon	IL General Revenue Fund	 New or expectant teen parents living in high risk communities 	 Goals include: to assist teen parents to learn to effectively parent their child, reduce the rate of subsequent births, improve the health and emotional development of the teen, enhance self-sufficiency, and promote healthy growth and development of their children Services include: weekly home visits, peer group meetings on related program topics, doula support, family needs assessment, developmental screening, resource and referral to other needed services such as medical care or educational and vocational opportunities
Perinatal Depression	Federal funding	Pregnant or parenting women exhibiting risk factors commonly associated with perinatal depression are eligible	 Provides screening and assessment, treatment and psychiatric care to women referred who are suffering from postpartum depression Provides training to agencies and medical providers within the community Statewide perinatal mental health consultation service has been established for providers to use when a screening indicates that a pregnant or postpartum woman may be suffering from depression

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		Services are available to all women in need	• Provides consultation with psychiatrists, information about medications that may be used in the management of perinatal depression both during and after pregnancy, and assistance in referring women to available mental health resources
Pregnant Teens Doula	State General Revenue fund	 Pregnant teens in selected areas of the state. Medicaid- eligible teens who reside in high-risk areas and are at increased risk of poor pregnancy and birth outcomes. 	 Doula services to Parents Too Soon program participants. Grantee will provide intensive & technical training to support certification and continuing education. Doulas are trained paraprofessionals whose primary function is to offer support for pregnant teens during pregnancy, delivery, and the weeks after the birth. Doulas counsel pregnant teens in the Chicago Doula project on the birthing process, breast-feeding, developing the mother-child relationship, and child infant development. Outcome data demonstrates that teens with an assigned doula have higher rates of breastfeeding, lower Cesarean delivery rates, and greater involvement of the father in the birthing and parenting process.
Prevent Child Abuse	General Revenue Funding	Costs for the Annual Statewide Conference on Child Abuse Prevention, the HFI Summit, and various HFI Training Sessions	 The purpose and scope of services for this grant are to support the development and effectiveness of new parent home visitation in Illinois by: 1) participating in the Healthy Families Illinois planning and governance structure; 2) managing funds to assist specific HFI programs with accreditation; 3) providing staff support to the regional HFI program clusters; 4) planning and hosting the annual Statewide Conference on Child Abuse Prevention to include a home visitor sessions tracking and recognition program; and 5) sponsoring an annual HFI Summit training event in conjunction with the annual statewide conference on child abuse prevention.
Refugee and Immigrant Services	State and federal funding	Low-income immigrants; Refugees, asylees, SIV holders, parolees; and limited English proficient individuals	 Goals include: provide assistance to immigrants and refugees through the following programs Refugee Resettlement: assists newly arrived refugees to achieve early self-sufficiency through community-based services, including job readiness and placement, cultural orientation, counseling, health screening services. Immigrant Family Resource Program (IFRP): educates and assists LEP immigrants/refugees with public benefits programs. New Americans Initiative: help eligible legal permanent residents apply for citizenship through the naturalization process, assistance can also be provided for individuals eligible for DACA. Welcoming Center program: assists immigrants and refugees with comprehensive one stop service coordination and referrals.
Responsible Parenting	Federal Parents Too Soon funds, no General Revenue funds.	 Adolescent mothers age 13- 18 living in areas of high teen births 	The purpose of the Responsible Parenting program is to provide a comprehensive array of services to adolescent mothers to delay subsequent pregnancies; consistently and effectively practice family planning; enroll in/continue attending high school, or its equivalent; earn a high school diploma, or its equivalent; develop parenting and life skills that will enable them to cope with social and emotional issues inherent to adolescent

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			pregnancy and parenting; and to encourage the healthy physical and intellectual growth and development of the teen's child.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	Federal USDA	 Most households with low income can get SNAP. Rules are complex but the most important factors which determine the amount of and eligibility for SNAP benefits are income and expenses; the number of persons who live and eat together. 	 Program goal is to help low-income people and families buy the food they need for good health. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as food stamps, helps low-income families purchase food at grocery stores and other places where food is sold. Benefits are provided on the Illinois Link Card – an electronic card that is accepted at most grocery stores.
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Federal and state Funding	 Be Pregnant or have a child under age 19 who lives with them. A pregnant woman (and her husband, if he lives with her) may qualify for help, even if they don't have any other children. Live in Illinois. Client can be homeless and still qualify. Be a U.S. citizen or meet certain immigration status requirements. Develop a plan for becoming self-sufficient and follow it. 	 Program provides temporary financial assistance for pregnant women and families with one or more dependent children. Time-limited cash assistance for basic needs, such as food, clothing, housing, etc. Transitional services to help families become independent, such as GED preparation, vocational training, postsecondary education, vocational rehabilitation, classes in basic English, help with child care, work stipends, job retention services, etc. Screening for issues related to substance abuse, mental health, and domestic violence, and referrals for available services to address them.
Youth Opportunity	Federal Community Grants funds, no General Revenue funds	Low income youth at selected high schools in Chicago.	The purpose of the Youth Opportunity program is to assist low-income youth in selected Chicago high schools to complete high school and to develop career interests and employment skills through job placement.
WIC (Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children)	Federal USDA	 Women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, or just had a baby Infants and children under 5 years old 	 Provides counseling and education to improve nutrition, physical activity and developmentally appropriate feeding Promotes breastfeeding as the optimal method of infant feeding and supports WIC moms to ensure their breastfeeding goals are met

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		• AND an income at or under 185% of FPL	 Provides a tailored "Food Prescription" through checks/EBT cards to buy healthy foods including whole grains, fruits and vegetables, milk, cheese, cereal, eggs, beans and peanut butter Connects to community services such as health care, EI, dental, and other services in the area 	

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Administrative Perinatal Centers (APCs) Program	Federal and State funding	 Pregnant women and neonates 	 Administrative Perinatal Centers (APCs) provide oversight, leadership training and support to affiliated hospitals to ensure that pre-term, low birth-weight infants, at risk for poor health outcomes, are delivered in the hospital designated by the Illinois Department of Public Health to have the resources and capacity necessary to assure the infant has the greatest possibility for a positive health outcome Illinois has approximately 120 hospitals that have a designation for a perinatal level of care which outlines the populations of infants that can be cared for by the facility and the resources and personnel necessary to provide this care Each of these hospitals is assigned to one of the ten designated APCs 		
CDPH Mini-Block Grant	Federal funding	 Targeted to high risk areas within Chicago Services are provided to the non-Medicaid and medically indigent population in CDPH clinics Pregnant women, children and women of reproductive age 	 Chicago Maternal & Child Health Mini-Block Grant given to the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) provides population health focused services and supports enabling services to pregnant women, children and women of reproductive age in the city of Chicago CDPH also uses these funds for the following programs: prenatal weight-gain initiative, substance abuse prevention and treatment, smoking cessation program for pregnant and childbearing-age women, public health nurse home visitation program, child abuse prevention project, pediatric triage program, infant mortality reduction program, program for substance exposed infants, program to move families off public assistance to self- sufficiency, education for pregnant women and children about healthy behaviors 		
Children with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) (University of Illinois at Chicago – Division of Specialized Care for Children)	Federal and State funding	 Core Program – Children who are residents of Illinois with certain chronic conditions Home Care Program – Children who require in-home shift-based nursing care due to medical complexity 	 All Programs - Provide care coordination and access to resources and research to assist Illinois families and children with special health care needs including diagnostic tests, care coordination plans, specialized care providers, communication, insurance questions, transition support, resources & information, financial support Core Programs - Services are available for children ages 0-21 years who have a chronic condition requiring care by a specialist for a diagnosis that falls into one of the eligible impairment categories. These categories include: blood disorders, cardiovascular impairments, craniofacial & external body impairments, eye impairments, gastrointestinal impairments, hearing impairments, inborn errors of metabolism, nervous system 		

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			 impairments, orthopedic impairments, pulmonary impairments, and urogenital impairments. Home Care Program – Services are available for children 0-21 who have a medical need for in-home shift-based nursing care. Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC) operates this program on behalf of Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS). Shift-nursing is available for children through the Medically Fragile Technology Dependent Waiver (MFTD) or as a Medicaid EPSDT benefit. Program eligibility is requested through DSCC and is approved by HFS. Recipients of MFTD Waiver services are eligible from age 0-21 years, but do not age out of the program once they are in. Nursing services as an EPSDT benefit are available from age 0-21 years. DSCC provides care coordination services for individuals in this program. Regardless of program eligibility, DSCC can assist with finding resources to assist CYSHCN and their families throughout the state.
Dental Sealant Program	Federal funding	 School-aged children eligible to participate in the free or reduced school meals program 	 Assists Illinois schoolchildren who are most at risk for dental decay by providing grants to public health service providers to develop and implement programs to provide preventative oral health care Grantees reimbursed for application of dental sealants to children's permanent molars Designed to assist school personnel and families by assuring access to oral health education, fluoride treatment, All Kids enrollment, and referral to a dental home
Family Planning/Title X Family Planning	Federal funding	 All women, men and adolescents regardless of income Women with incomes below 100% FPL are not charged 	 Provides high-quality, culturally sensitive Family Planning services to low-income women, men and adolescents who are under-insured, uninsured and insured individuals who may otherwise lack access to health care Services provide individuals assistance in planning pregnancies; lowering the incidence of unintended pregnancy through health education providing contraceptive services, lowering the rates of sexually transmitted diseases, and improving general health
Genetics/Newborn Metabolic Screening	Metabolic Screening Fee	All newborns	 Screening and follow-up for disorders identified through testing a dried blood spot, hearing screening and pulse oximetry screening Newborn screening typically performed at 24-48 hours of life in order to detect conditions or disorders in newborns soon after birth, these tests can determine if a newborn has a condition or disease for which early treatment can help improve his/her health outcome Increase awareness and availability of clinical genetic services to providers and families
Illinois Immunization Program	US DHHS	 Children birth to 18 years of age Free for children who are Medicaid-eligible, uninsured, Native American or Alaskan Native through participating VFC provider 	 Illinois state law requires certain immunizations for children and adults enrolled in child care, school, or college; state law also mandates immunizations for adults in specific fields of work (healthcare) Vaccines for Children (VFC) program is a federally funded, state administered program that provides free vaccines to eligible children ages 18 and younger Conducts surveillance/outbreak control of vaccine-preventable diseases, conducts assessment of vaccine coverage levels amongst target populations, implements the statewide immunization information system registry (ICARE registry), conducts provider

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		 Children who are under- insured must receive through FQHC, Rural Health Center, or local health department 	quality compliance and assurance activities, implements the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention program and collaborates with STD program to provide Hepatitis A & B vaccinations for high-risk individuals
Illinois Lead Program	State funding	 Physicians required to test all children 6 years of age or younger if they reside in a high-risk area. Children are required to be evaluated if they reside in a low-risk area. 	 Testing, case management and surveillance; education/training; lead abatement/mitigation licensure Provides environmental inspection of homes, schools or daycare centers where a child has been identified as lead exposed Recommends all children be evaluated or tested as indicated at ages 12 months and 24 months, and 3, 4, 5, and 6 years of age Recommends pregnant women be evaluated or tested as indicated Illinois law requires all children be assessed for risk of lead exposure, and tested if necessary, for enrollment into daycare, preschool, and kindergarten
Newborn Hearing Screening	Federal funding	 All hospitals performing deliveries are required to conduct physiological hearing screenings of all newborns and appropriately refer for services those newborns who do not pass the screening 	 Newborn Hearing Screening or Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Program is a collaborative effort among the Illinois Department of Public Health, Illinois Department of Human Services Early Intervention Program and the University of Illinois at Chicago Division of Specialized Care for Children Babies born in Illinois get a hearing screening shortly after birth; if a baby does not pass the screening, further testing or a referral to a pediatric audiologist is necessary to determine if the baby may have a hearing loss EDHI coordinates follow-up efforts to assure every baby born in Illinois is screened for hearing loss and also receives proper follow-up testing in a timely manner When a hearing loss is identified, the EHDI Program helps assure that care coordination and follow-up intervention services are offered to families
School Health Center Program	Federal and State funding	School-aged children	 Purpose is to improve the overall physical and emotional health of school-age children and youth by promoting healthy lifestyles and by providing accessible preventative health care Through early detection and treatment of chronic and acute health problems, identification of risk-taking behaviors and appropriate anticipatory guidance, treatment and referral, school health centers assure students are healthy and ready to learn Services provided on site include: routine medical care for acute illness and injury, school/sports physicals, immunizations, nutrition counseling, sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment, pregnancy testing and health education Each local community decides which other services (i.e., drug and substance abuse counseling, mental health counseling, dental services, family planning) will be provided on site or by referral Students in need of care beyond what is offered at the health center are referred to specialists as needed

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Early Childhood Special Education (IDEA – Part B)	IDEA	 Children ages 3-21 with diagnosed/identified disabilities are served by the program 	 Early childhood special education services for children are provided through local school districts and special education cooperatives
Preschool for All	IL General Revenue Fund	 First priority is to children who have been identified as being at risk of academic failure Second priority given to children whose family's income is less than four times the poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the US Department of Health & Human Services (US DHHS) Also provides funding for programs serving families of low- to moderate-income whose children are not considered to be at-risk academically and other families that choose to participate 	 Provides a range of program options and settings, from public and private schools to child care centers and other community-based agencies Goal is to provide high quality preschool to all 3- to 5-year-old children whose families choose to participate, including comprehensive developmental screening, bachelors-level early childhood licensed teachers, and standards-aligned research-based curriculum Emphasizes the relationship among early childhood education, parenting education and involvement, and future success in school Required components: screening to determine risk status, educational program, parent education and involvement, and evaluation
Preschool for All Expansion	US Dept of Education and US DHHS	Build, develop, and expand high-quality preschool programs so that more children from low- and moderate-income families enter kindergarten ready to succeed in school and in life.	 Grant to enhance Illinois' infrastructure to provide high-quality preschool programs and to expand high-qualify full day preschool in high-need communities
Prevention Initiative	IL General Revenue Fund	 Serve infants and toddlers at-risk of school failure using a research-based program model Expecting parents 	 Increase quality and capacity to serve children ages birth to age 3 years Provide early, continuous, intensive, research-based, and comprehensive child development and family support services to help build a strong foundation for learning and to prepare children for later school success Components include home visits, links to community resources, group connections, developmental screenings, family centered assessments and individual family goal planning

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Early Head Start	us dhhs	 Provide support to low-income infants, toddlers, pregnant women, and their families 	Enhance children's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development; help pregnant women access comprehensive prenatal

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		 Categorically eligible if: homeless, in foster care, or in receipt of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Income eligible if family income determined to be less than the Federal Poverty Level 	 and postpartum care; support parents' efforts to fulfill their parental roles; and help parents move toward self-sufficiency Collaborate with partners in communities to foster the development of a comprehensive system of family-centered services attuned to the complex and diverse needs of children and families Center-based, home-based, and combination models provide: support in all areas of child development (e.g. social, emotional, physical, cognitive, language); social service linkages (e.g. housing, food, mental health services; TANF); fatherhood support services; medical, dental, and mental health services; nutrition services; parent education and involvement; family support; community collaboration; services to expectant women; children with disabilities and their families are fully included in all services and components of Early Head Start
Head Start	US DHHS	 Children ages 3 to 5. Categorically eligible if: homeless, in foster care, or in receipt of TANF or SSI Income eligible if family income determined to be less than the Federal Poverty Level 	 Helps break the cycle of poverty and promotes school readiness by providing preschool children of low-income and families with a comprehensive program to meet their educational, health, nutritional, and social needs Support the continuum of children's growth and development, including cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development Support parents as they identify and meet their own goals, nurture the development of their child, and advocate for communities that are supportive of children and families of all cultures Collaborate with partners in communities to foster the development of a comprehensive system of family-centered services attuned to the complex and diverse needs of children and families

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All Our Kids (AOK) Early Childhood Networks	Federal and state funding	AOK Networks are community-based collaborations that promote healthy pregnancies and the positive growth and development of all children birth to five and their parents/caregivers by assuring a high-quality, well-coordinated, easily-accessible system of services	At the core of our work is the realization that program approaches to changing child and family outcomes alone will never be sufficient to generate the population-level changes we most want to create. That's why we focus on system change efforts.	
		and supports. AOK Networks engage cross sector partners to create a more connected and	AOK Networks develop initiatives and implement approaches/strategies focusing on:	

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		 coordinated system of services and supports as they address local child and family priority issues. Our theory of change suggests that by working together across sectors we can improve the service system, and this can result in greater synergistic outcomes for children and families. System Impacts: Child and Family Outcomes: Families have Access to the services and supports they want and need. Families benefit from high Quality services and supports. Families experience Equity in the services and supports. Families experience a coordinated and collaborative cross sector system of services. Parents are partners in creating a better system of services and supports. Child and Family Outcomes: Child not Family Outcomes: Child not family Outcomes. Child not family Outcomes. Child not family Outcomes: Children are born healthy. Children maintain physical and emotional health and well-being. Children enter school ready to learn. 	 Network Capacity: AOK Networks continually strengthen their ability to work together by focusing on a Shared Agenda, Collaborative Leadership & Engagement, Continuous Learning & Adaptive Action, Network Infrastructure System Change/Building Strategies: Information and Referral, Early Identification, Public Information and Education, Coordination of Care, Service Needs and Utilization, Workforce Training and Development, and State and Policy. Local Child/Family Outcome issue In FY20, there are AOK Networks operating in Adams County, Carroll County, Chicago Southeast, Kane County, McHenry County, McLean County, Rock Island County, Stephenson County, Tazewell County, Town of Cicero, Wabash/Edwards Counties, and Will County. 		
Community Systems Statewide Supports (CS3)	ISBE e	In February 2018, Illinois Action For Children (IAFC) was awarded a grant through the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) to develop a statewide training and technical assistance system, building the capacity of community collaborations to improve early childhood education systems. The project, named Community Systems Statewide Supports (CS3), supports communities as they work to develop and implement community-wide, collaborative strategies to ensure more children, ages birth-to-five, enroll in and regularly attend high-quality early learning programs.	 Provide foundational supports (training, access to planning, and collaboration tools) to early childhood professionals, at no cost, in support of their goal to form and/or strengthen community collaborations that are focused on improving local early childhood systems. Provide targeted supports (including individualized coaching) to select communities that wish to receive in-depth support that is focused on increasing the number of children ages birth-to-five who are enrolled in high-quality early learning services. Collaborate and coordinate with existing statewide providers of early childhood training to align training opport unities across systems. Implement a data and evaluation process to support continued system improvement at the community and state levels. 		

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Early Learning Council (ELC)		The Early Learning Council, a public-private partnership created by <u>Public Act 93-380</u> , strengthens, coordinates and expands programs and services for children, birth to five, throughout Illinois. With a membership including senior state officials and non-government stakeholders appointed by the Governor, the ELC builds on current programs to ensure a comprehensive, statewide early learning system (preschool, child care, Head Start, health care and support programs for parents) to improve the lives of Illinois Children and families.	The standing committees of the ELC are: • Access • Home Visiting Task Force • Integration and Alignment • Quality For more information, including meeting dates, please visit: https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/OECD/EarlyLearningCouncil/Pages/ default.aspx
Illinois Association for Infant Mental Health (ILAIMH)	Private Funding	Established in 1981, the ILAIMH is a membership organization of diverse professionals working with infants, toddlers, and their families. Members come from a variety of disciplines including education, social work, psychology, medicine, academia, public policy, child development, physical and occupational therapy, and other allied disciplines.	The ILAIMH is structured to facilitate collaboration and the exchange of information among members and others concerned with the health and well-being of infants, toddlers, and their families. Chief among the Association's activities is the administration of an Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health Credential for Master's level and above professionals. The Association also offers two Reflective Practice Groups (RPGs) for any professional, regardless of job title, working with infants, toddlers, young children and their families. Both the Credential and the RPGs are based on a set of infant and early childhood Competencies that can be found on their website. ILAIMH hosts an annual professional conference held in the fall followed by a seminar series through the winter and spring focusing on topics related to the conference theme. The Association has also become involved in infant mental health related advocacy efforts in recent years.
Illinois Childhood Trauma Coalition (ICTC)		ICTC is a voluntary collaboration of organizations that are committed to applying a trauma lens to their efforts on behalf of families and children in the state. Founded in 2005, the Coalition is made up of more than 120 public, private, clinical, research, advocacy, and educational institutions.	 Promotes research and develops communications and resources designed to raise awareness about childhood trauma throughout Illinois Develops tools to help parents, caregivers, children, and those working with children recognize and deal with trauma if it occurs Delivers extensive training and guidance for member organizations and other groups Collaborates on projects that advance the knowledge and best practices related to childhood trauma prevention, identification and treatment in Illinois
Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership (ICMHP)		The Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership (ICMHP) is the only statewide, public/private partnership of families, policymakers, advocates, and professionals in Illinois committed to improving the scope, quality, and	Some of ICMHP's projects include the Mental Health Consultation Initiative, MIECHV Mental Health Consultation Project, IDPH Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Project, and the After School Parent Engagement and SEL project.

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		access of mental health programs, services, and supports for children and their families. The Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership was created by the Children's Mental Health Act in 2003 to convene the child-serving state agencies, parents, youth, policymakers, providers, and advocates to identify needs and gaps, and recommend innovative solutions to improve children's mental health in Illinois. Moreover, ICMHP is responsible for developing and monitoring the implementation of the Illinois Children's Mental Health Plan.	 Some of ICMHP's Strategic Priorities: Increase public awareness and understanding of: the social and emotional development and mental health of children and adolescents; the need to invest in prevention, promotion, early intervention, and treatment; and the link between mental health, physical health, and substance use. Promote community collaborations and culturally inclusive partnerships to develop and implement plans that address prevention, promotion, early intervention, and treatment for the mental health of children, youth, and families. Increase mental health promotion, prevention, early intervention, and treatment services and supports for children and adolescent based on developmental needs with a particular emphasis on risk factors and unique population-based concerns.
Illinois Head Start State Collaboration Office	US DHHS	The Collaboration Office exists to facilitate collaboration among Head Start programs and state entities that carry out activities designed to benefit low- income children from birth to school entry, and their families. They provide a structure and a process for the Office of Head Start (OHS) to work and partner with state agencies and local entities. Together, these partners work to leverage their common interests around young children and their families to formulate, implement, and improve state and local policy and practices.	 Scope of Work OHS has prioritized the goals of the Collaboration Office to guide their work. The six priorities include: Partnering with state child care systems emphasizing the Early Head Start-Child Care (EHS-CC) Partnership Initiative Working with state efforts to collect data regarding early childhood programs and child outcomes Supporting the expansion and access of high-quality workforce and career development opportunities for staff Collaborating with State Quality Rating Improvement Systems (QRIS) Working with state school systems to ensure continuity between Head Start and Kindergarten Entrance Assessment (KEA) Any additional regional priorities
			 These partnerships are intended to: Assist in building early childhood systems Provide access to comprehensive services and support for all low income children Encourage widespread collaboration between Head Start and other appropriate programs, services, and initiatives Augment Head Start's capacity to be a partner in state initiatives on behalf of children and their families Facilitate the involvement of Head Start in state policies, plans, processes, and decisions affecting target populations and other low-income families

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Illinois Network of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (INCCRRA)	CCDBG	Mission: INCCRRA serves as an engine for quality child care and education. They convene leaders and partner with stakeholders to advance innovation, leadership, equity, access and quality.	 Supports and assists IDHS in coordinating the work of the Statewide Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) System Coordinates and provides professional development opportunities for local CCR&R staff Supports local CCR&Rs with the use of data systems that track comprehensive data on child care supply and demand, child care provider professional development and program improvement Coordinates the data collection, data input, compilation and writing of the Illinois Salary & Staffing Survey of Licensed Child Care Facilities and the Market Rate Survey of Licensed Child Care Programs in Illinois Administers statewide professional and workforce development programs (e.g., Great START, ExceleRate Illinois, Gateways Scholarship Program, IL Trainers Network) for child care programs and practitioners Develops, implements, and maintains components of the Gateways to Opportunity Registry and Professional Development System 		
Local Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies	Federal CCDF	Local Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) agencies are hubs for diverse and otherwise uncoordinated child care activities in each regional community of Illinois. Child Care Resource and Referral agencies are permanent, local, adaptable structures through which public and private groups can work together to enhance the accessibility, improve the quality, and increase the availability of affordable child care. There are 16 contracted agencies statewide, with community partner sites in Cook County. Goals: • To provide families access to quality child care services statewide • To improve the quality of child care through training programs and assistance • To ensure that child care programs meet the needs of communities Each Child Care Resource & Referral agency has a local consultant team. The consultant team offers child	 For parents/guardians and families: Assemble and maintain an accurate early care and education and school age care program database; Provide consumer education and referrals to early care and education and school age care programs in their communities; Offer information and provide eligibility determination and provider reimbursement for the Child Care Assistance Program. For providers: Training and technical assistance Consultant Team offering free services to increase the quality of care Grant opportunities to increase program quality Referrals to parents seeking child care Funding for accreditation and professional development Professional recognition For communities and for the State: Record and analyze data on early care and education and school age care supply and demand to support community capacity building; Provide technical assistance, coordinate and encourage the development of new and the retention of existing early care and 		

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		care providers free services to improve the quality of care. The consultant team may consist of: Quality Specialist, Infant Toddler Child Care Specialist, Mental Health Consultant, and Child Care Nurse Consultant.	 education and school age care resources in communities where they are needed; Establishes relationships/collaborates with local groups interested in early care and education and school age care services. 		
Local Interagency Councils (LICs)	State funding	Statewide Local Interagency Councils work to coordinate, design, and implement Child Find and public awareness activities; recruit Early Intervention providers; and develop collaborative agreements related to transition. All stakeholders at the local level are invited to participate in the LICs. Participants are to include, but not limited to the following: parents, representatives from coordination and advocacy service providers, local education agencies, other local public and private service providers, and representatives from State agencies at the local level and others deemed necessary by the council. Early Intervention service providers, early childhood programs, and health care professionals are also welcome as well as any other interested parties.	 Specific duties are written in the Illinois Early Intervention Act, 325 ILCS 2/2 and include the following: Assist in the development of collaborative agreements between local service providers, diagnostic and other agencies providing additional services to the child and family; Assist in conducting local needs assessments and planning efforts; Identify and resolve local access issues; Conduct collaborative child find activities; Coordinate public awareness initiatives; Coordinate local planning and evaluation; Assist in the recruitment of specialty personnel; Develop plans for facilitating transition and integration of eligible children and families into the community; Facilitate conflict resolution at the local level; and Report annually to the Illinois Interagency Council on Early Intervention. 		
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (MIECHV)	US DHHS	 The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program gives pregnant women and families, particularly those considered at-risk, necessary resources and skills to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn. MIECHV has six benchmark domains: Improvement in maternal and newborn health; Reduction of child injuries, abuse, and neglect; Improved school readiness and achievement Reduction in crime or domestic violence; Improved family economic self-sufficiency; and Improved coordination and referral for other community resources and supports. 	 Illinois' MIECHV goals are: Increase the capacity of MIECHV programs and communities to implement effective activities under Title V Increase/maintain implementation of coordinated services in atrisk communities to address needs of eligible families Increase the number of eligible families in at-risk communities with improved outcomes through comprehensive services In state fiscal year 2020, MIECHV funded selected home visiting programs and coordinated intake collaborations in thirteen communities: Southside Cluster (Englewood/West Englewood/Greater Grand Crossing in Chicago), Cicero, East St. Louis, Elgin, Rockford, and the following counties: DeKalb, Kankakee, Lake, Macon, Peoria-Tazewell, Stephenson, Vermilion, and the Mid-Central Cluster (DeWitt, Logan, McLean, Piatt, and Woodford). 		
Preschool Development Grant Birth Through Five (PDG B-5)	US Department of Education, US DHHS	Purpose of PDG B-5 grant: to develop, update, or implement a strategic plan that facilitates collaboration and coordination among early childhood care and education programs in a mixed	GOECD oversees grant implementation in partnership with ISBE (the fiscal agent).		

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		delivery system to prepare low-income and disadvantaged children to transition into elementary school. PDG is designed to support states in coordinating and aligning existing ECE programs, resources, and services; improving program quality; facilitating better partnerships between programs and improving the transition from ECE programs into elementary school; increasing program operating and cost efficiencies; expanding parental choices and involvement; and ensuring families are linked to the full range of services	The FY19 Year One grant included 5 activity areas: 1) conduct or update a thorough statewide birth through five needs assessment of the availability and quality of existing programs/services in the state; 2) develop or update a strategic plan, based on needs assessment results, that recommends collaboration, coordination, and quality improvement activities among existing programs; 3) maximize parental choice and knowledge about the State's mixed delivery system of existing programs and providers; 4) share best practices among early childhood care and education program providers in the state to increase collaboration and efficiency of services, including to improve transitions from such programs to elementary school; and 5) improve the overall quality of early childhood care
		they need.	and education programs in the state.
Service Provider Identification & Exploration Resource (SPIDER)	State	The Service Provider Identification & Exploration Resource (SPIDER) database, launched in 2018 and formerly known by its predecessor, the Statewide Provider Database (SPD), is a collaborative effort sponsored by the IL Department of Children & Family Services, with data maintenance and user support provided by the Northwestern University/Hospital Feinberg School of Medicine, technology resources provided by the IL Department of Innovation and Technology, and information provided by countless child and family welfare service providers across the state of Illinois. This resource is open to the public and does not require a username or password.	 There are a wide range of Program Types in SPIDER: Mental Health Treatment: Behavioral and Mental Health treatment Substance Use Treatment: Treatment for Substance Use needs Domestic Violence: Services for victims and perpetrators Parenting: Parenting skills, coaching or training Early Childhood: Interventions and development for children 0-5 Non-Clinical: Non-therapeutic services such as housing, mentoring, vocational training and more Health Clinics: Physical and medical health care services There are also a wide range of Service Types in SPIDER: Counseling/Therapy (Individual, Family, Group) Emergency Services (Food, Crisis Intervention) Housing Services (Housing Search Assistance, Emergency Shelter)
		SPIDER is a free, comprehensive database used to locate and gather information on social service agencies, programs, and services throughout the state of Illinois. It is a public-facing resource that anyone may use. Simply follow https://spider.dcfs.illinois.gov/	 Financial Help (Utility Assistance, Rental Assistance) And many more!