

# Texas LAUNCH

Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health



## Texas LAUNCH Evaluation-at-a-Glance

**State Level Evaluation** - will address the following questions:

1. Are key stakeholders collaborating on system changes to enhance support for early childhood mental health promotion?
2. Are effective policies and procedures present to support Project LAUNCH activities?
3. Is the early childhood workforce better prepared to promote social and emotional development?

**Community Level Evaluation** - will address the following questions:

1. Has the community increased the capacity of its workforce to provide best practice activities to support children's social and emotional development?
2. Are mental health consultations effective in increasing the capacity of early child care and home visiting professionals to support social, emotional, and behavioral development of children?
3. Has the community enhanced partnerships with child-serving organizations to improve care coordination, referrals, and community infrastructure?

**Individual Level Evaluation** - will address the following questions:

1. Are screenings for developmental and social-emotional effectively identifying children at risk and engaging families in subsequent interventions?
2. Are Parent Cafés an effective strategy for engaging caregivers and increasing knowledge about effective parenting techniques?
3. Are the Incredible Years Parent groups effective in enhancing parenting and reducing problematic child behavior?

**TX LAUNCH established the following goals:**

Goal Area	GY 16	GY 17	GY 18	GY 19	Total
# trained in mental-health related practices/activities	60	120	750	400	1,330
# of children receiving developmental, social, and emotional screening	55	150	750	750	1,705
# of individuals referred to mental health or related services	6	15	185	185	391
# of family caregivers participating in Incredible Years	0	50	80	80	210
# of family caregivers participating in Parent Cafes	0	30	56	56	142
# of families participating in child-focused mental health consultation	0	20	30	30	80



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