

**Florida Children and Youth Cabinet  
Children and Youth Collaboration Services Workgroup**

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**RECCOMENDATION:**

- By using the indicators set forth by the Cabinet, communities will organize and demonstrate how they will collectively work toward desired outcomes by eliminating duplication and seeking efficiencies in service delivery using proven or promising practices driven by data.
- The Cabinet shall create a *Barrier Buster Workgroup* comprised of staff from each of the Cabinet member agencies to be charged with providing support and guidance to communities on barriers to efficient and effective community planning including strategies for effectively integrating funding streams to expand services and identify efficiencies.
- The Cabinet shall create a *Florida Master Plan Workgroup* comprised of staff from each of the Cabinet member agencies to be charged with developing the criteria for the creation of one comprehensive plan to be used by all local organizations that receive state and federal funds for children, youth and family support services that have reporting requirements mandated by the state through a back bone organization.
- The Cabinet's statutory language shall be amended to grant the Cabinet the specific authority to issue waivers to community organizations to relieve the requirements of certain mandated state reports.
- The Cabinet shall create a common identifier for children that is universal across all state agencies resulting in efficiencies including costs savings and streamlined processes of data collection and sharing.
- The Cabinet shall identify innovation zones in communities across Florida to demonstrate the effectiveness of community planning in each of the following areas: prenatal to 8, age 9 through graduation and successful transition to higher education/employment/military service and tertiary support systems.