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Head Start/Early Head Start of Beaver County Joins the Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Network

The Network is a statewide-alliance designed to support agencies who support children and families

HARRISBURG, Pa. — [Head Start and Early Head Start of Beaver County](#) announced today that they will be working with [Pa Family Support Alliance \(PFSA\)](#) by joining the Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) Network. The CBCAP Network is a statewide coalition of organizations that serve children and families. PFSA provides training programs, technical assistance, and advocacy to enhance the efforts of CBCAP Network agencies as they work to strengthen families and prevent child abuse and neglect.

“I am thrilled to welcome Head Start and Early Head Start of Beaver County to our CBCAP Network, and I am confident that they will benefit from the resources and relationships that exist within this alliance,” said Angela M. Liddle, President and CEO of PFSA. “These programs have helped Beaver County families for 40 years, and their dedicated team of teachers and social services professionals goes above and beyond to make real, permanent differences in the lives of those they serve.”

Head Start and Early Head Start of Beaver County are federal and state funded, comprehensive child development programs designed to serve families with children from birth to age 5, including children with verified disabilities, or are determined to be homeless under the McKinney Vinto Act, or have children with verified disabilities and who have other identified “risk” factors.

The CBCAP Network is made up of a diverse group of agencies and organizations that are located throughout Pennsylvania. The CBCAP Network currently consist of entities like department of corrections institutions, family centers, school-based family serving programs, inpatient and outpatient treatment facilities, behavioral health providers, centers of excellence, wrap-around programs, family service associations, and Head Start agencies.

When an organization or agency joins the CBCAP Network, they gain access to PFSA’s vast collection of resources, informational materials, trainings, and PFSA’s own staff members—experts in the field of child abuse prevention, abuse, and trauma. CBCAP Network member organizations and agencies can take advantage of PFSA’s trainings on topics like neglect and trauma, cultural competency, understanding

issues that impact the LGBTQ+ community, and how to work with families impacted by Substance Use Disorder (SUD). PFSA also provides evidence-based trainings like the *ACT Raising Safe Kids* program (in accordance with the American Psychological Association's standards) and comprehensive caregiver education and support programs for parents in recovery. As part of the CBCAP Network, organizations and agencies can also participate in PFSA's Families in Recovery program, which helps parents learn safe and effective discipline and parenting skills while balancing the needs of their recovery.

PFSA makes it a priority to assist CBCAP Network members with professional development of staff, providing up-to-date information on best practices and changes to child welfare laws and legislation, and helping members strengthen their relationships with county children and youth agencies. Additional information on the Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) Network can be found [here](#).

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ABOUT PFSA: [Pa Family Support Alliance](#) prevents child abuse and protects children from harm by helping parents learn positive parenting techniques, educating professionals and volunteers who work with children to recognize and report child abuse, and helping community members learn how they can play a positive role in keeping children safe. To learn more about our programs, schedule a training, or donate, please visit pafsa.org, or call 800-448-4906.

ABOUT HEAD START and EARLY HEAD START OF BEAVER COUNTY: The Head Start and Early Head Start of Beaver County programs are administered by the [Private Industry Council](#) (PIC) of Westmoreland/Fayette, Inc. PIC is a nonprofit organization headquartered in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, that operates employment, education, and training programs in southwestern Pennsylvania, with a particular emphasis in Westmoreland and Fayette counties. PIC has strategically located offices throughout Beaver, Fayette and Westmoreland counties to assist youth, adults, dislocated workers, and the economically disadvantaged in attaining educational achievement, supporting their family growth, and obtaining and retaining employment.