



Circles of Safety for Foster Care Programs

Stop It Now!
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Stop It Now!, a national child sexual abuse prevention program in Massachusetts, expanded Circles of Safety, a promising training model to improve the knowledge and confidence of foster care service providers and foster care parents creating system-wide change and reducing sexual harm to children in foster care.

Communities

Adults
Children with sexual behavior problems
Men
Parents/Foster Parents
Women

Products

Resource: Family Rules for Safe Boundaries, Respect and Privacy; Internet Safety Guidelines and Tips; Communication Tips and Examples; Sexuality Concepts in Concrete Terms and

Guiding Supervision Questions
Curriculum: Train-the-trainer manual

System:

Fostercare

Level:

National



Strengthen Policies

Delivered Circles of Safety for fostercare program leadership to strengthen policy, procedures and practices to promote children's sexual safety. Participants completed training with an initial action plan.



Provide Resources

Developed several handouts: Family Rules for Safe Boundaries, Respect and Privacy; Internet Safety Guidelines and Tips; Communication Tips and Examples; Sexuality Concepts in Concrete Terms; Guiding Supervision Questions; Train-the-trainer manual including a trainer's handbooks for the two workshops.



Educate & Train

Conducted 2 awareness-to-action trainings, 2 prevention leadership trainings, 2 train-the-trainer trainings, 2 2-hour community-based workshops, 2 educational support booster webinars.



Measure Impact

Conducted evaluations including pre and post training surveys to measure impact on confidence, attitudes, knowledge and behavior.

What's next:

Stop It Now! continues to seek opportunities to bring prevention education and resources to communities that provide professional parenting for children who've experienced trauma, as well as youth serving organizations that support both children and families.

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