



Family Engagement in the Individualized Family Support Plan Process (IFSP)

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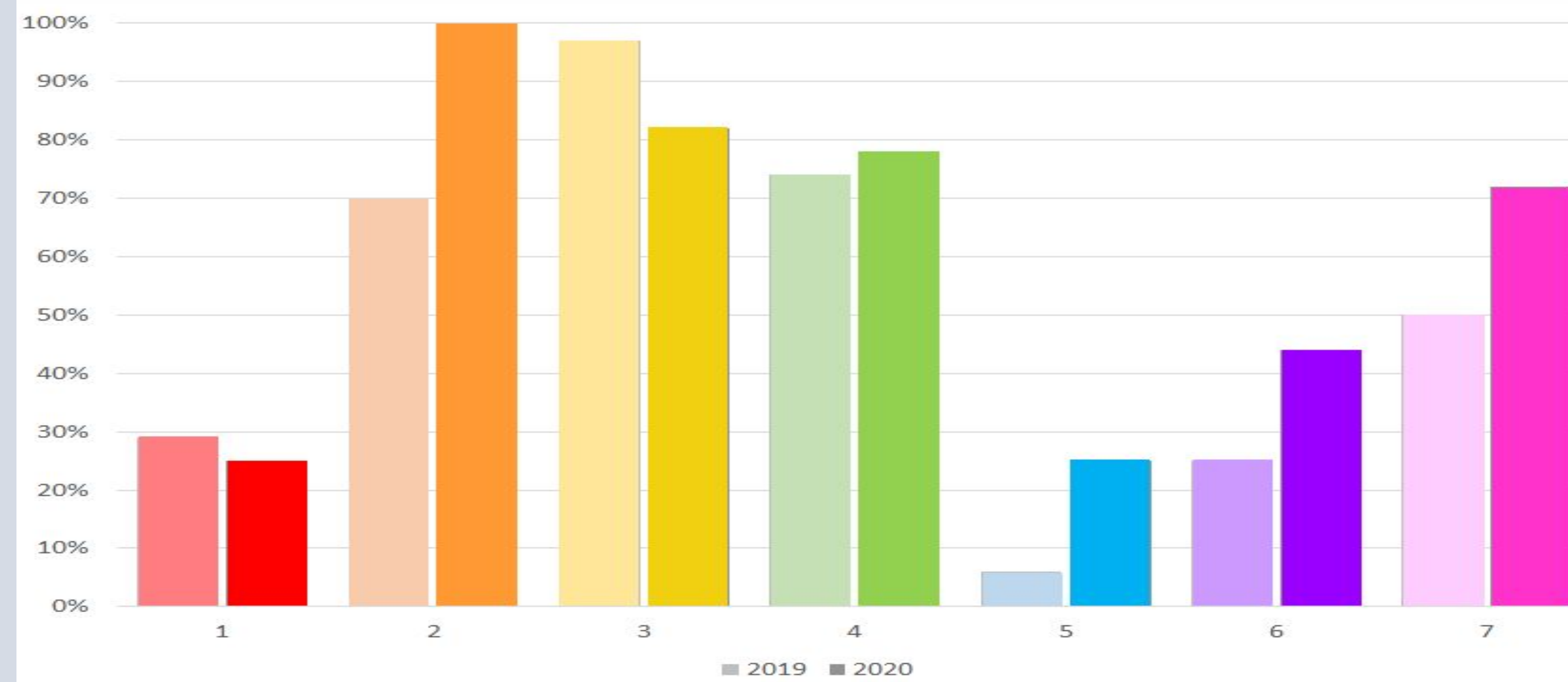


Background

- Family Centered Early Supports and Services (FCESS) enhances families and caregivers in their ability to care for children... Together with families, FCESS develops an Individualized Family Support Plan (IFSP)...



Family Engagement: 2019 vs. 2020



- Key: 1: Interactive discussion of family role as team member (Q1, Q2) 2: Explanation of any jargon used/avoidance of jargon use (Q9) 3: Providers check-in regularly and answer questions effectively (Q3, Q5, Q10)...

Description of Activities

- Trainees developed a survey for providers and families to support and augment feedback consistent with the original data collection tool used (as developed in 2019)...

Key Research Findings

Infographic with 7 numbered findings: 1. Interactive discussion of family role as team member, 2. Explanation of any jargon used/avoidance of jargon use, 3. Providers check-in regularly and answer questions effectively, 4. Family members as the driver of goal-writing process, 5. Active inclusion of family in attendance throughout all discussion, 6. Active involvement of family in determining service provision, 7. Discussion of outside resources.

Observation Tool/Surveys

LEND/IFSP Family Engagement Observation Tool table with columns for NA, YES, NO and rows for various observable concepts.

LEND/IFSP Family Engagement Provider Survey and LEND/IFSP Family Engagement Parent Survey tables.

Conclusions

- Increased family engagement in annual meetings as compared to evaluation/IFSP meeting. Growth is in specific silos, not in the development of the family as a full-fledged team member.

Next Steps

- Trainees will draft a summary report of our findings with recommendations for future action. Development of an action plan including ideas for more consistent use of tools previously created...

