



What is a Family Resource Center?

A Family Resource Center (FRC) is a trusted community hub that offers programs, services, resources, and referrals. FRCs provide support, advocacy, and opportunities, that enhance families' ability to thrive, through a strengths-based, racial equity and social justice lens.

What is the NC FRC Network?

The North Carolina Family Resource Center (NC FRC) Network is a statewide chapter of the [National Family Support Network](#).

Vision: All NC families have equitable access to strengths-based resources through a network of community-based FRCs and, as a result, communities are stronger, healthier, and more nurturing environments where children and their families thrive.

Mission: To ensure positive outcomes for all NC children and families by developing, expanding, aligning, sustaining, and ensuring equitable access to centralized, high-quality, community-based family support programs, services, and resources.

Why join the NC FRC Network?

By joining the NC FRC Network, your organization will gain access to:

- Free training in the [Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening and Support](#) with up to 5 team members certified
- Consultation and peer support to integrate the Standards in your organization
- Unique group-based professional development opportunities led by experts (webinars and virtual trainings)
- Relevant information, resources, and best practices disseminated via a Virtual Resource Library and quarterly newsletters
- Marketing and communication materials (e.g., recognition on the NC FRC Network web page and/or membership directory, branded materials, social media toolkits, example messaging)
- Relationship building opportunities with other FRC leaders to promote mutual support and peer sharing
- Advocacy opportunities at the local, state, and national level to mobilize around key issues impacting families
- Opportunities to contribute to the advancement of the [Family Strengthening and Support Framework](#)
- Complimentary organizational membership to Prevent Child Abuse North Carolina's (PCANC) Prevention Action Network
- Discounted tuition to PCANC's biannual Learning & Leadership Summit

What activities are NC FRC Network members committed to this year?

In the inaugural year of the NC FRC Network, members are committed to:

- Designate at least one staff member to engage in an **NC FRC Network Committee/Workgroup**.
Workgroups and Committees are *Funding/Advocacy; Workforce Development/Training; Data and Evaluation; Diversity, Equity, Inclusion; Family Engagement; Supportive Partners; and/or Steering Committee*
- Have up to 5 staff members complete the **Standards of Quality Certification Training**
- Have staff participate in **quarterly peer-to-peer meetings** to share best practices, provide updates on family support programs, examine promising data management processes/evaluation supports and encourage networking among FRCs
- Have staff participate in **responsive TA** from PCANC experts to explore integrating the Standards into your organization

How to join the NC FRC Network?

[Join the NC FRC Network by Clicking Here](#)

Those organizations meeting the definition of a Family Resource Center (FRC), as listed above, can join as an FRC Member. Others, including community members, private or public agencies, funders, and/or anyone in a supportive role for FRCs, can join as a Supportive Partner. In this inaugural year, there be no financial cost to membership, only the above listed commitments. In future years, the NC FRC Network will prioritize keeping membership free or low cost. [Click Here for the NC FRC Website](#)