



Partnership FOR CHILD HEALTH



»» Building programs, developing systems and driving public policy to advance the health and well-being of our children, youth and their families.



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The Partnership for Child Health connects public, private, non-profit and academic organizations to identify, mobilize and positively impact the outcomes for child health and well-being by strengthening the systems that support child health and development and empower families—making our city a better place for everyone.



PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- › Bower Lyman Center for the Medically Complex Child at UF
- › Center for Collaborative Child and Adolescent Psychiatry/Hall Halliburton Project
- › Criminal Justice, Mental Health & Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant
- › Jacksonville Cleft and Craniofacial Program
- › Jacksonville System of Care Initiative (JCC/SAMHSA)
- › Jacksonville System of Care Initiative Expansion Grant (High-Fidelity WrapAround Services & Integrated Care Coordination for Children and Youth)
- › Kids' N Care Medical Home for Foster Care
- › Now Is The Time – Project Advancing Wellness and Resilience Education (AWARE) grant
- › Pediatric Multicultural Medical Home at UF
- › UF Health Pediatric Wellness Center – Prudential Drive
- › Children of Incarcerated Parents – Medical Home
- › Jacksonville Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Partnership
- › JaxHATS Transition Program
- › LGBTQ – Medical Home and Community Training
- › Northeast Florida Human Trafficking Coalition



PROGRAMS »» AND SERVICES

The Partnership for Child Health

(The Partnership) develops and implements programs and services to improve the health and well-being of all children and youth in Northeast Florida by collaborating with community partners in major child-serving organizations. A complete list of programs are found at partnershipforchildhealth.org.

Two of our current initiatives are featured here.

MEDICAL HOME

CRIMINAL JUSTICE
REINVESTMENT GRANT

PROJECT AWARE

JACKSONVILLE CLEFT &
CRANIOFACIAL PROGRAM

NURSE CARE COORDINATION FOR
MEDICALLY COMPLEX CHILDREN

»» MEDICAL HOME

The Partnership for Child Health, in collaboration with Family Support Services of N.E. Florida, created the Kids 'N Care Medical Home program that provides children and youth in the child welfare system with comprehensive health care services.

Kids 'N Care provides a team of **Registered Nurse Care Coordinators** to ensure the child's medical, dental and mental health needs are met. The Nurse

Care Coordinator team partners with Family Support Services to streamline and coordinate the complex health care services a foster child receives.

Together, we provide foster children and their families with the tools and information they need to help the child receive the best medical health and mental health possible.

»»» JACKSONVILLE

CLEFT & CRANIOFACIAL PROGRAM

The Partnership's unique program works to ensure the best possible outcomes for a child born with a cleft lip and craniofacial condition. The team of physicians, surgeons and other specialists address all aspects of care including feeding, hearing, speech, dentition, dental occlusion and facial appearance from infancy to adulthood.

The dedicated team meets two or three times a month to evaluate each child individually to provide the specific care required for each child to attain the best medical and cosmetic outcomes possible.

»»» DEVELOPING SYSTEMS OF CARE

Through strong community partners sharing a common vision of improving outcomes for children, the Partnership is leveraging resources, linking successful programs and developing effective services to improve systems of care for Northeast Florida's children and youth affected by mental, emotional, behavioral and substance abuse problems:

In collaboration with the Jacksonville System of Care Board, Jacksonville Children's Commission and community partners, The Partnership developed the **Jacksonville System of Care Initiative** (JSOCI) with funding from the

Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA). The results have transformed Northeast Florida's mental health services into an integrated system of care providing positive outcomes for children, youth and families.

The Hall-Halliburton Project for Collaborative Care endowment was awarded to sustain an initiative to improve the delivery of mental health care and provide pediatricians with specialized training to identify and manage depression and suicide risk in youth.

»»» UF HEALTH PEDIATRIC WELLNESS CENTER – PRUDENTIAL DRIVE

The **UF Health Pediatric Wellness Center** at 1650 Prudential Drive offers comprehensive pediatric care for children and youth from birth to 18-years-old with special mental and behavioral health needs. Through the center and in partnership with UF Health and Wolfson Children's Center for Behavioral Health, the Partnership for Child Health provides a medical-behavioral health home for children and youth who need medical, mental and behavioral health services.

The integrated approach to care includes access to complete primary health care, on-call physician access 24/7, community mental health and social service resources, care coordination with child and adolescent psychiatrists, psychologists and therapists, and referrals for specialty care.



»» CREATING CHANGE IN PUBLIC POLICY

Advancing public policy that responds to and prioritizes the needs of children and families is necessary to achieve their optimal health and well-being.

Throughout the years, The Partnership's public policy position has been grounded in the principles of child rights and social justice helping to support the initiatives, organizations and resources working to improve child health services.

The Office of the Children's Ombudsperson builds the capacity of children, families, institutions and systems to fulfill the rights of children required to promote and attain their optimal health and well-being. The "Ombuddy" works to increase the voice, choice, and access to services for children and youth in the areas of:

- Rights respecting schools
- Early learners
- Children and youth in child welfare system
- Youth experiencing homelessness
- Youth involved in the juvenile justice system

The Partnership is committed to changing the mental health landscape in North Florida, in part by working with the Jesse Ball DuPont Fund to co-fund the **Mental Health America Advocacy Center**. The center works to enact legislation that affects mental health treatment in Florida, as well as to raise awareness and create a stable care system. Along with the center, additional programs were established to aid youth in the juvenile justice system.





By creating an integrated system of care through collaborative partnerships, Jacksonville is transforming the medical, mental, behavioral, and developmental health systems for children, youth and families connecting them with the resources and services they need to reach their full potential.

The results are significant and there's more work to be done. To date, many thousands of children and youth are served every year because of a connected and supportive network of people, organizations, programs and services in collaboration with The Partnership for Child Health.

Jacksonville recognizes its shared obligation to improve children's health and well-being. Together, we have expanded access to services to ensure our entire community can get on board to support the positive development of all children as they learn, develop and grow. To see our collaborative of community partners, visit partnershipforchildhealth.org.

85 Community Partnerships

45 Supported Programs

20 Years of Collaboration

To find out more about health equity, child rights and social justice issues and the solutions developed by The Partnership to achieve better health outcomes for children and youth, visit partnershipforchildhealth.org.

»» Join the movement to transform the systems of care so children and youth can reach their full potential.

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