

## INCREASED AND IMPROVED PARTNERSHIPS

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As the division strengthens its internal capacity, it continues to increase meaningful community partnerships through strengthening working relationships with various community stakeholders. Vital to this partnership was the work on engaging partners in the delivery of DYS programs and services, including the leveraging of resources.

AGENCY	PARTNERSHIP
Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families (US Dept. of Health and Human Services)	Technical Assistance to the CNMI Child Welfare Agency on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data</li> <li>• Professional Development</li> <li>• Parent Peer Support Program (Parent Advocacy)</li> </ul>
Office of the Attorney General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wardship Cases/Court Hearings</li> <li>• Foster Care Contracts</li> <li>• Monthly Case Reviews on Wardship Cases</li> <li>• Monthly Case Reviews with Criminal Division for SART</li> <li>• Weekly meetings on Juvenile Cases</li> <li>• Child Abuse Registry</li> </ul>
DCCA Child Care and Development Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Care services for Emergency Shelter clients</li> <li>• Child Care services for eligible DYS program participants</li> <li>• Child Care services for trainings</li> </ul>
Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wellness Clinic: Counseling services</li> <li>• Transitional Program: Counseling services</li> <li>• System of Care: Counseling services</li> <li>• Garrett Lee Smith Program: Intervention and case management for clients having suicidal thoughts/ideations</li> <li>• Maternal and Child Health Bureau</li> <li>• Family 2 Family Program</li> <li>• Interagency Meetings/Training</li> <li>• Assessments</li> </ul>
Leadership in Disabilities and Achievement of Hawaii (LDAH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding</li> <li>• Training</li> <li>• Support for families with children with disabilities to include training and case management services</li> </ul>

DCCA Child Care Licensing Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Licensing for the operations of the DYS Emergency Shelter and the Youth Centers</li> </ul>
Joeten-Kiyu Public Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Library services for the After School Program participants</li> <li>• Book Mobile partnerships for the Youth Centers and DYS Emergency Shelter</li> <li>• Literacy sessions at the Youth Centers</li> </ul>
Northern Marianas College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adult Basic Education (ABE)</li> <li>• Climb Higher Program-Post Secondary Education</li> <li>• Cooperative Research Education &amp; Extension Services (CREES)-Health and Nutrition, including Meal Preparation for the DYS Emergency Shelter</li> <li>• Family Financial Literacy</li> <li>• Backyard Gardening at Youth and Community Centers, including Health and Nutrition Classes to parents and youth</li> <li>• School of Education-Internship opportunities for students under the Education and Rehabilitative Service classes (Human Services Workforce Experience)</li> <li>• Trainings for Youth and Parents</li> <li>• Trainings for Staff</li> <li>• Summer Camp Activities</li> </ul>
Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Referrals</li> <li>• Trainings</li> <li>• Sexual Assault Response Team goals and objectives</li> <li>• Funding for Counseling Services</li> <li>• Domestic Violence Awareness</li> <li>• Teen Dating Violence Awareness</li> <li>• Sexual Assault Awareness</li> </ul>
Northern Marianas Protection and Advocacy, Inc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supporting individual rights of persons with disabilities</li> <li>• Trainings</li> </ul>
CNMI Public School System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Abuse Reporting SOP</li> <li>• Referrals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Da'Ok Academy for Juveniles</li> <li>-High Schools for Community Work Service Hours of Juveniles</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mental Health Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Counseling for CPS Clients</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Student Attendance Review Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Monthly meeting with CPS and JPU</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student and Support Services</li> <li>• Mandated Reporter Presentations</li> <li>• Child Abuse and Neglect Classroom Presentations</li> <li>• Assessments</li> </ul>
Department of Corrections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rehabilitative programs for juveniles detained to include, but not limited to, education, counseling, incentive programs, like skills sessions</li> </ul>
Superior Court	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Abuse and Neglect Wardship court hearings</li> <li>• Juvenile court hearings</li> </ul>
Northern Marianas Trades Institute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Referrals for trades school</li> </ul>
Department of Lands and Natural Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training</li> <li>• Youth and Parent Programs that include backyard gardening and tree planting at the youth centers</li> </ul>
DCCA Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Referrals of families meeting eligibility for utility assistance</li> </ul>
Department of Public Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Referrals</li> <li>• Child Abuse and Neglect cases</li> <li>• Juvenile Probation cases</li> <li>• Forensic Interviews and the Multi-Disciplinary Team</li> </ul>
Marianas Health Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health activities at the Sinapalo Youth Center</li> </ul>
Tinian Mayor's Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Memorandum of Understanding for additional personnel assigned to DYS Tinian</li> <li>• Support for Tinian DYS Activities/Outreach</li> </ul>
Rota Mayor's Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Memorandum of Understanding for additional personnel assigned to DYS Tinian</li> <li>• Support for Rota DYS and Sinapalo Youth Center Activities/Outreach</li> </ul>
Saipan Rotary Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnership on sports equipment for outreach and youth centers</li> </ul>
Center for Living Independently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Referrals</li> <li>• Lifeskills training for DYS program participants</li> <li>• Outreach</li> </ul>
Office of Youth Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnership on other youth centers on island including the Koblerville Youth Center, Chalan Kanoa House of Manhoben (youth), San Vicente Youth Center and Gualo Rai Youth Center. Some parenting and youth sessions are being held at these centers.</li> </ul>

Northern Marianas Humanities Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outreach at the Youth and Community Centers highlighting the human experience in the Marianas.</li> <li>• Outreach at the Community and Youth Centers in promoting the Arts and Culture</li> </ul>
Office of Vocational Rehabilitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Referrals</li> <li>• Case Management of DYS referred families</li> <li>• Training for Staff</li> <li>• Employment/Training Opportunities</li> </ul>
Karidat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Assistance</li> <li>• Housing Assistance</li> <li>• Counseling/Youth Session Support</li> <li>• Training on Human Trafficking</li> </ul>
Salvation Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food and Gift preparations for Victims of Child Abuse and Neglect, including those placed in Foster Homes</li> </ul>
CNMI Office of Planning Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improving infrastructures to increase internet speed at the community centers and provide for additional spaces in the outdoor areas for families to access wifi services.</li> </ul>
CNMI Council for Arts and Culture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing pool of artists to deliver sessions at the community and youth centers</li> </ul>

## Membership

Disability Network Partners (DNP)	<p>A network of government and private partners to address the needs of people with disabilities including the CNMI Council on Developmental Disabilities.</p> <p>Employment and Training opportunities (National Disabilities Employment Month)</p>
Family Violence Task Force (FVTF)	A network of government partners to address family violence community concerns to include, TROs, advocacy for victims, etc.
Student Attendance Review Committee (SARC)	Partnership with the Public School System to address students with attendance issues at school. This includes home visits and continued monitoring.
Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)	A network of government and community-based organizations in addressing concerns for sexual assault in the CNMI.
CNMI Homeless Prevention Coalition	A network of government, non-profit, community-based organizations that conduct annual Point In Time Count and work with the

	CNMI Northern Marianas Housing Corporation to address families who are literally homeless or at risk of being homeless.
CHCC-CNMI Methamphetamine and Opioid Consortium “Blue Ribbon Consortium”	A network of community partners to address the methamphetamine and opioid crisis in the CNMI to include trainings, assessments, resources, and referrals.
CHCC Non-Communicable Disease Strategic Planning Task Force	A network of community partners to address the non-communicable disease concerns in the CNMI. The task force worked on healthy menu at restaurants, backyard gardening, nutritional policies, outreach, etc.
CNMI State Behavioral Health Planning Council (BHPC)	The Council consisting of several behavioral health serving agencies, through the Governor’s appointment meet quarterly to develop a state plan that addresses behavioral health planning.
CHCC Behavioral Health Collaborating Council (BHCC)	Through the CHCC CGC, the BHCC aims to strengthen and coordinate efforts for behavioral challenges among youth and young adult population.  Advisory committee for children, youth and young adults.
Public School System Interagency Coordinated Council (PSS-ICC)	Early Intervention services and support for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities and their families (State Systematic Improvement Plan)  Assessments
CHCC Preventive Health and Health Services (PHHS) Advisory Council	Oversees the implementation of projects and activities of a PHHS Block Grant funded by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (meets quarterly)
Youth Systems Building Academy	CNMI Department of Labor (Workforce Innovative Opportunities Act)  Workforce Development for the Youth (Initiated January 2023)
CHCC-CNMI Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Advisory Committee	To increase pediatrics mental health access in the pediatric primary care providers  (Initiated January 2023)
Emergency Food and Shelter Program Local Board	Review of Emergency Food and Shelter local applicants for selection based on available funding

