

Smart Solution Template

Supporting Father Involvement

Supporting Father Involvement (SFI) is for parents and caregivers with children ages 0 to 5 years old to support continuity and whole family involvement. SFI will be implemented to model fidelity by using the SFI Curriculum and the SFI Fidelity checklist. Group sessions are #field_1. #field_2 will be implemented using the corresponding curriculum. Group sessions are 2 hours once a week for 16 weeks. For the couples/coparent program, two of the 16 sessions are held separately where the fathers meet with a male leader and the coparents meet with a female leader. The youngest child will attend with the father during these two sessions. All staff working in the program must be trained by the SFI Development Team. At least one facilitator in each group must have (at least) master's level clinical training and/or experience in counseling and/or leading psychoeducation groups for individuals, parents, or families. If group leaders are not licensed mental health professionals, a licensed supervisor must be available for consultation in the event of a clinical emergency. Staff must be supervised during the first year of implementation by an experienced trainer who serves as a consultant (provided by SFI).

#Field 1

- In-person
- Virtual
- Multiple groups, some will be in person and others virtual

#Field 2

- The fathers-only program
- The couples/coparents program
- The fathers-only program and the couples/coparents program