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Strengthening Partnerships, Improving Family Outcomes



Family Treatment Court Collaborative Meeting

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Family Treatment Court (FTC) Years of Service

FTC Best Practice Alignment Tool

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Identify strengths, opportunities for improvement, and Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) needs



Develop an action plan



Work towards aligning with best practices



Improve outcomes for children and families

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Structure and
operations

Participant
engagement

Systems and
participant
accountability

Identifying,
referring, and
admitting
participants

Assessment
of needs and
access to
treatment
and supports

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Rate your practices:



Not
Implemented

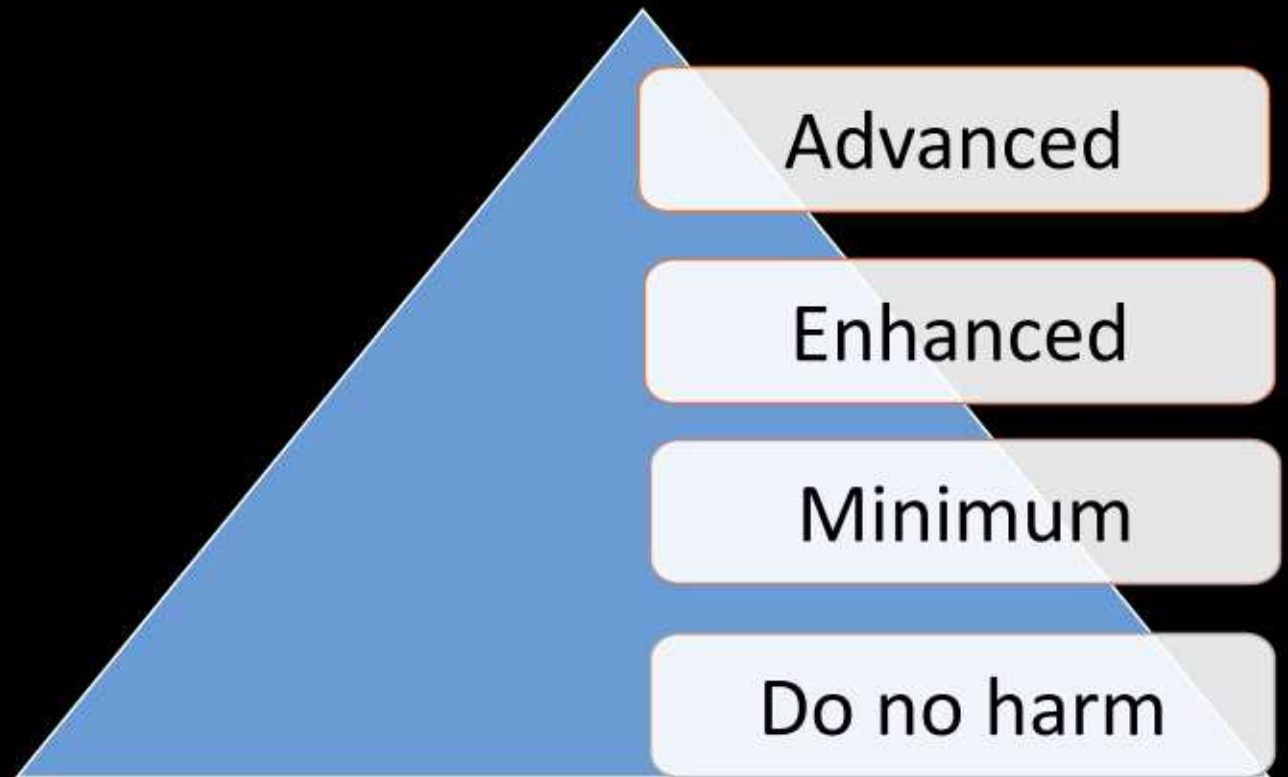


Partially
Implemented



Fully
Implemented

Identify opportunities for growth:



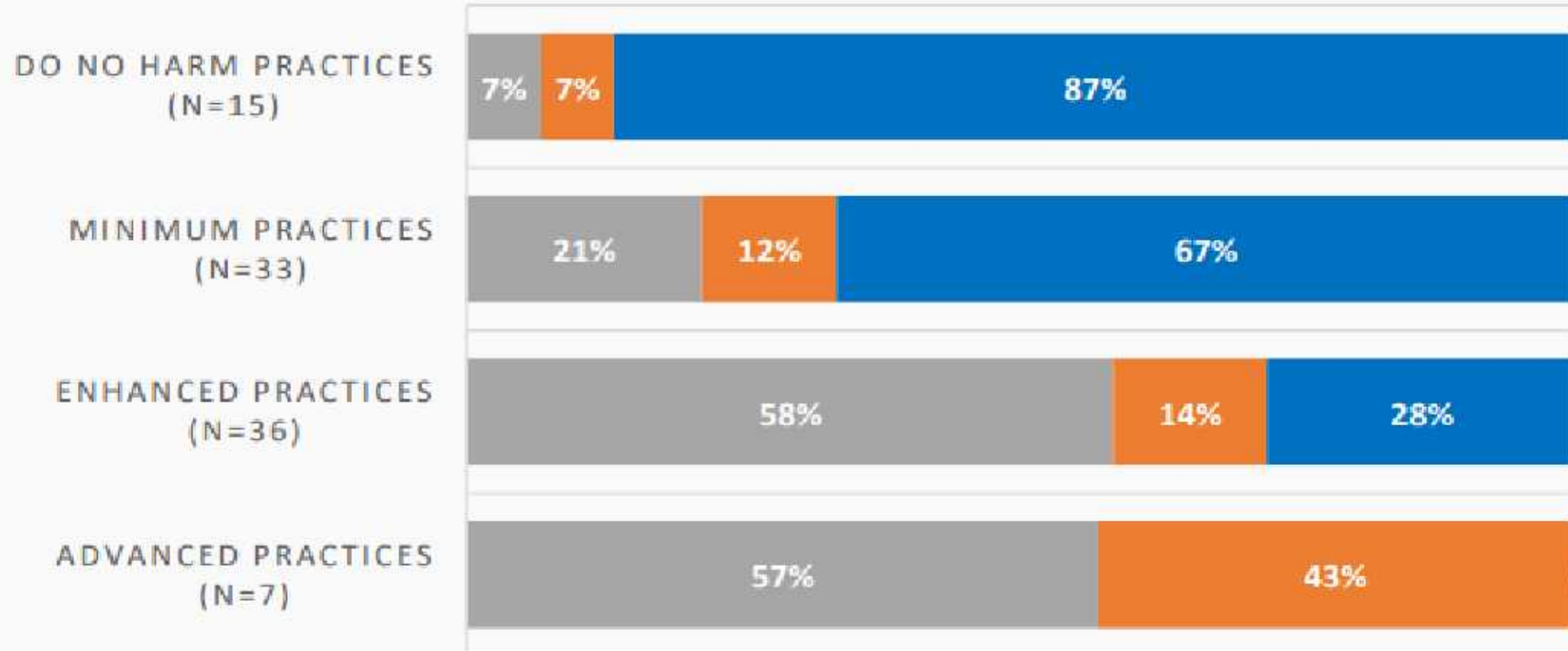
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Overall Alignment with Best Practices

Sample Report – Not Real Data

This chart shows the percentage of best practices not, partially, and fully implemented within each practice level.

■ Not Implemented ■ Partially Implemented ■ Fully Implemented



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Strengths

Sample Report – Not Real Data

Enhanced and Advanced Practices that are fully implemented:

- All members of the FTC multidisciplinary core team participate in the court review hearings.
- Members of the FTC core team can enter and review data (based on established confidentiality standards) in the electronic database
- An executive oversight committee that meets a minimum of twice yearly addresses the interests and needs of the FTC.
- Parents, children, and family members receive treatment and other services that are gender responsive, trauma informed, accessible, and culturally relevant.
- The FTC phases/milestones support common case plan activities, helping distribute the array of treatment, parenting, and other case plan requirements across the time parents engage in the FTC.
- Parents and children receive treatment and reunification services intended to support bonding and establishment of a healthy parent-child relationship.
- The FTC understands their scale (i.e., percentage served that qualify for FTC) and actively seeks to increase the percentage of qualifying families served.

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Opportunities for Improvement

Sample Report – Not Real Data

Do No Harm and Minimum practices not or partially implemented should be prioritized in practice improvement efforts. See the completed tool for enhanced and advanced practices not or partially implemented.

Do No Harm Practices

- **Not Implemented:**
 - Parents and children receive frequent, in-person, high-quality parenting/family time.

Minimum Practices

- **Not Implemented**
 - *Structure and Operations:*
 - The FTC has a steering committee representative of the supervisors/decision-makers of the core team.
 - The FTC has a steering committee that meets at least every other month.
 - *Assessment of Need and Access to Treatment and Supports*
 - Parent referral includes a “warm handoff” (active connection to services that goes beyond a referral) to SUD and mental health treatment that reflects their assessed level of care and other clinical needs.
 - The FTC actively partners with pregnant people and community agencies to ensure the parents and infants receive all indicated medical care including the development and support of Plans of Safe Care (POSC) when applicable.

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Activity Instructions

Sit with your team

Pick an FTC Practice area to review

Rate your practice:

- Not implemented
- Partially implemented
- Fully implemented

Indicate if in P&P manual:

- Yes or No

Take any notes related to this practice

Prepare to share:

- What stood out to you as you worked with your team?
- What next steps have you identified following today's meeting?

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Want access to the digital copy and summary report?
Contact the FTC TTA team to get started!



Open Discussion

Q & A



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Practice



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