

**The Alabama Department Of Child
Abuse & Neglect Prevention**

Evaluation Report

Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) Programs

Impact On Adult Participants

869 adults in Alabama received services through three types of ADCANP/CTF-funded programs: parent education, home visiting, and respite care.

The population served were primarily parents of lower resource, based on work status, education level, and income reported. Adults who participated only in public awareness programs did not provide demographic information.

The primary funding source that provides support for these individuals is the Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) program.

An independent Evaluation Team from Auburn University's Human Development and Family Science Department documented the effort and effectiveness of these programs.

- 85%** of the participants were women
- 57%** were European American/White
- 37%** were African American/Black
- 32** was the median age of the adult participants
- 48%** reported a gross income of less than \$10,000
- 46%** reported not working for pay
- 18%** reported not completing high school
- 53%** reported a high school degree/GED as their highest level of education

Analyses of data revealed statistically significant improvements ($p < .05$) on many relevant measures of commitment, skill, and knowledge based on average scores at pre-program and post-program.

The outcomes are indicators of protective factors that reduce the risk of child maltreatment and promote individual and family strengths.

ADCANP/CTF-funded programs reduced the likelihood of adults in CBCAP programs engaging in child abuse/neglect and enhanced the likelihood of current and future strong and stable



Parent Education & Home Visiting

7 parent education and home visiting programs provided support and educational programs to parents. **An assessment of 7 targeted outcomes with 478 participants** revealed statistically significant improvements in average scores for:

- Stress Management Skills
- Skills to Manage Maltreatment Risk
- Understanding of Various Forms of Maltreatment
- Medical Care Commitment
- Parenting Skills & Child Development Knowledge
- Knowledge of & Commitment to Use Support Services
- Use of Informal Supportive Networks

Respite Care

3 respite care programs provided respite services and parent education. **An assessment of 4 targeted outcomes with 103 participants** revealed statistically significant improvements in average scores for:

- Stress Level
- Positive View of Child
- Knowledge of & Commitment to Use Support Services
- Use of Informal Supportive Network



The 2020-2021 Evaluation Report prepared by the Auburn Evaluation Team documented the combined effort and effectiveness of program offerings through an evaluation of funded programs.