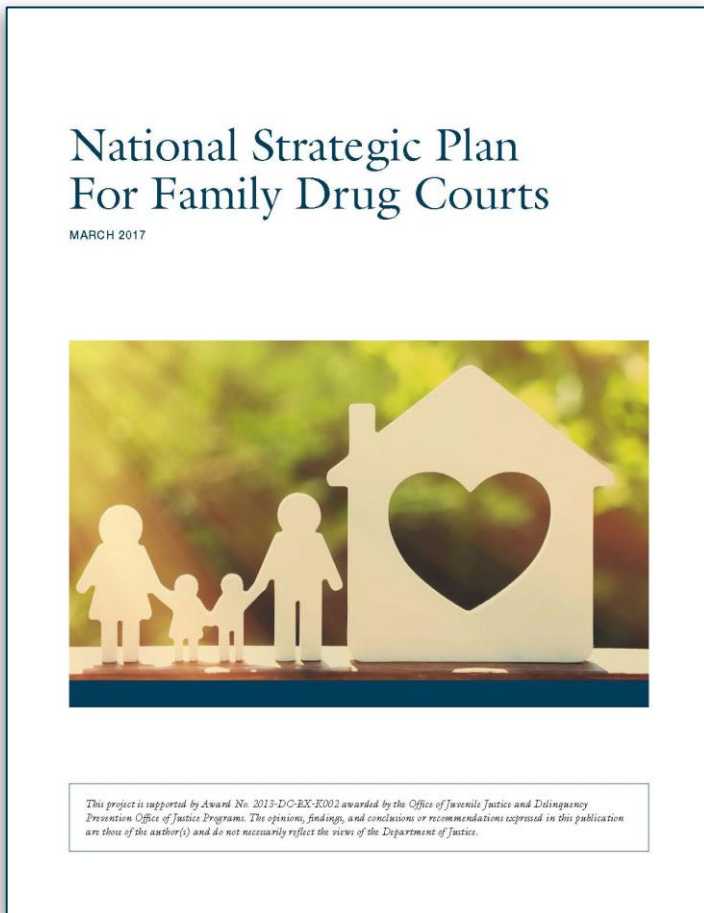


# National Strategic Plan for Family Drug Courts (FDCs)

***A Coordinated National Strategy to Enhance and Expand the Use of FDCs to Reach More Children and Families***



## **The Strategic Plan:**

- ❖ Provides the rationale for a National Strategic Plan for FDCs
- ❖ Outlines federal support for FDC expansion
- ❖ Summarizes the history and current status of FDC implementation
- ❖ Shares future goals, strategies, and activities to:
  - *Improve the health of existing FDCs*
  - *Engage state champions in FDC expansion*
  - *Ensure that all FDC stakeholders have the most up-to-date-information about best practices and cost considerations to support quality implementation*

**Download your FREE copy of the National Strategic Plan for FDCs at [http://www.cffutures.org/files/FDC\\_StrategicPlan\\_V1R1.pdf](http://www.cffutures.org/files/FDC_StrategicPlan_V1R1.pdf)**

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## VISION:

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## Goal #1

Improve the effectiveness of the existing FDC network by assuring it operates with fidelity to the FDC model

### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Develop model standards to guide the daily operations of family drug courts
- Conduct a national study and use results to design and coordinate technical assistance and training for quality improvement
- Convene FDCs annually to incorporate new knowledge about quality implementation and continue to assess the FDC model

## Goal #2

Expand the reach of FDCs to keep families together and reduce child maltreatment

### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Coordinate national leadership and strategies to promote FDC expansion
- Elevate opportunities for states to leverage federal, state and private funding for FDC services
- Infuse FDC strategies into dependency courts and child welfare systems

## Goal #3

Continue to build the evidence base about what works for FDCs to improve outcomes for children and their parents

### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Develop a “second generation” research agenda for FDCs to strengthen implementation science, evidence based practice, and understanding of cost considerations