Engaging Fathers

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Father engagement is crucial for children's well-being in child welfare systems, yet many jurisdictions struggle in their efforts to engage fathers, according to data from the Child and Family Services Reviews. Child welfare agencies can enhance father and paternal family engagement by training staff in effective engagement strategies and father-identification practices, as well as collaborating with fathers and fatherhood organizations to improve the system.

Child Welfare Information Gateway offers resources in support of engagement of fathers.

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