ORGANIZATION

The Departmental Plan for Family Services involving all of the political and civil society is composed of :

- A steering comity, presided by the Prefect for Equal Opportunities whose role is :
 - to endorse work,
 - to define and update objectives and projects,
 - to evaluate the departmental plan for family services every two years.
- a plenary committee representative of all the partners involved (institutions, professionals, volunteers, users, association representatives). Its role is:
 - to validate the departmental plan,
 - to validate the operational projects,
 - to validate the evaluation of results,
 - to promote and to disseminate the departmental policy.
- operationnal working groups in charge of analyzing a thematic or a problematic in order to propose actions.

In September, four groups are starting about :

- departmental animation establishment for parenthood support,
- defining how to support child care assistants homes,
- strengthening of professionalization for child care assistants,
- coordinating places that are welcoming children and parents driven by the CAF and the Department.



DEPARTMENTAL PLAN FOR FAMILY SERVICES SYNTHESIS

HELPING FAMILIES TO RECONCILING WORK, FAMILY AND SOCIAL LIFE

INVESTING IN EARLY
CHILDHOOD IN ORDER
TO PREVENT INEQUALITY



SUPPORTING PARENTING

MAKING PARENTS-CHILDREN RELATIONS EASIER















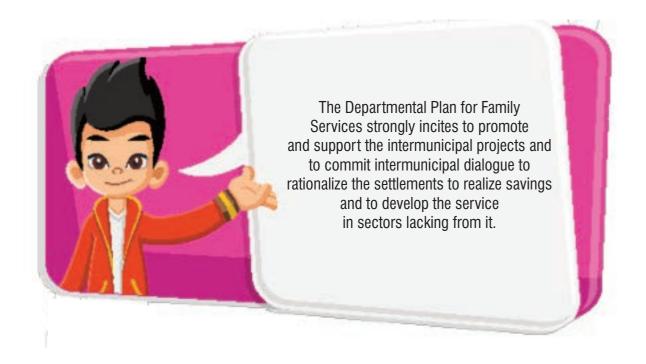


THE DEPARTMENTAL PLAN FOR FAMILY SERVICES

CHALLENGES

- to develop significantly child care services and parenthood support,
- to reduce territorial, access to child care services and parenthood support inequalities,
- to coordinate early childhood actions and parenthood support between territorial collectivities and institutions.

In order to succeed in that matter, the Government, supported by CAF NORD, is instigating a partnership with both territorial collectivities and social partners.



A TOOL MADE TO BE EASIER FOR THE "INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION ESTABLISHMENTS" AND CITIES:

- to know every year the state of offer and services,
- to know every year parents' needs and expectations,
- understanding of the available tools for them,
- to get a negotiated schedule for their finances depending on institutional arbitrations,
- for mayors and "inter cities public cooperation establishement's" presidents to be kept informed and to be able to steer and negociate.

Objectives have been planned from an inventory of the departmental situation that has been made on the early childhood and parenthood situation.

THE DEPARTMENTAL PLAN FOR FAMILY SERVICES NORD, STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES, POLICIES AND ETHICAL OBJECTIVES.

Each department created plans based on an inventory of the departmental situation.

STRATEGIC CHOICE

Two directions for the Nord plan :

- early childhood in order to :
 - reduce inequalities,
 - answer specific needs: disabled children access, children from vulnerable families,
 - inform, guide families on care offers,
 - develop quality of childcare.
- parenthood plans in order to :
 - define, share and point out the parenthood support policy at a departmental level,
 - develop and connect actions with parenthood services where there is none,
 - improve families and professionals information,
 - support actions to solve literacy issues.

At the end, the departmental plan for family services will carry departmental choices for both young people and social life counselling.

POLITICAL CHOICES

Parenthood will be a major thread for the departmental plan for family services. Intercity projects will be favored.

ETHICAL CHOICE

Establishments offering the departmental plan for family services carry the values of the Republic with the charter of secularism as a reference, followed by the CAF and shared with its partners.

