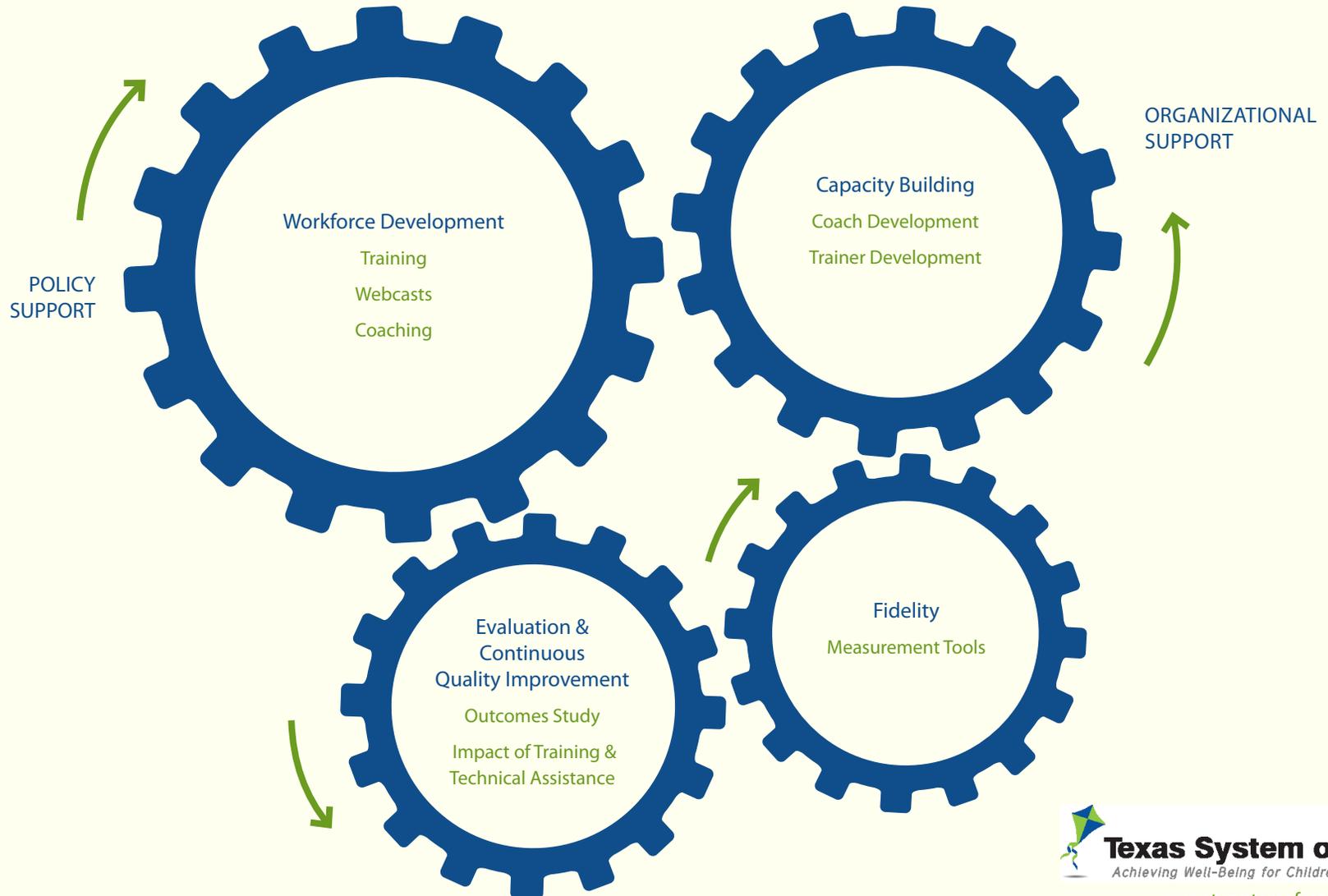
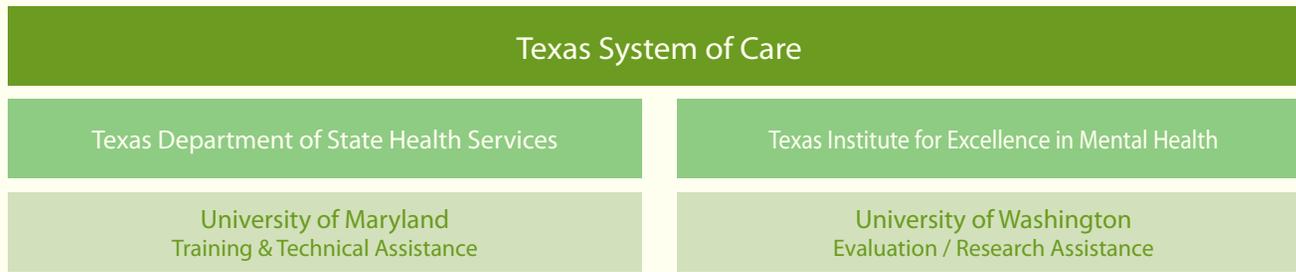


# Wraparound in Texas: A Powerful Engine

## Infrastructure for Statewide Implementation



**Wraparound Defined:** The wraparound practice model is a promising approach targeting children, youth, and families with severe emotional or behavioral needs. Based in an ecological model, wraparound draws upon the strengths and resources of a committed group of family, friends, professionals, and community members. Wraparound mobilizes resources and talents from a variety of sources resulting in the creation of a plan of care that is the best fit between the family vision and story, team mission, strengths, needs, and strategies. The team meets over time to implement this plan, monitor its effectiveness and work towards success.

### Workforce Development

The goal of the workforce development effort is to help enhance the state's wraparound efforts through standardized training and targeted coaching. The workforce development initiative utilizes the curriculum developed through the National Wraparound Implementation Center at the University of Maryland.

#### Training:

Introduction to Wraparound (3 days), Engagement in Wraparound (1 day) and Intermediate Wraparound (2 days) are all targeted to wraparound facilitators and their supervisors. Additional course: Advanced Training for Supervisors and Team Leads (2 days).

#### Coaching:

Onsite and virtual coaching on the wraparound process is provided using tools developed by NWC. Coaching is targeted to supervisors and team leads of wraparound facilitators and assists in ensuring skill attainment toward high fidelity wraparound.

#### WrapChat:

Web-based meetings providing ongoing skill development and targeted discussions for wraparound supervisors and team leads.

#### Online Training:

Web-based training modules are available that provide an overview of wraparound, discuss team member roles and how to implement wraparound. Web-based training on an overview of the state's 1915(c) Medicaid waiver and related implementation webinar's are also available.

### Evaluation and Continuous Quality Improvement

Texas is developing the infrastructure to evaluate the quality of wraparound provided across the state and the outcomes of children, youth, and families who participate in wraparound planning. This information will support state and local quality improvement and data-informed decision making.

#### Outcomes Monitoring:

In collaboration with the University of Washington, the outcomes of youth and families participating in wraparound are being evaluated. The Texas Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) assessment is used throughout the state and additional outcome measures are being collected at select organizations.

#### Impact of Training & Technical Assistance:

Ongoing evaluation of the training and technical assistance provided in consultation with NWC is being conducted.

### Fidelity

Texas is establishing infrastructure for ongoing fidelity review of wraparound. Wraparound fidelity will be primarily measured by the Wraparound Fidelity Index, Easy Version (WFI-EZ), with opportunities for additional measurement using the Team Observation Measure (TOM), or Wraparound Fidelity Index (WFI).

### Learn More

To learn more about wraparound efforts in Texas, please visit the Texas System of Care website at [www.txsystemofcare.org](http://www.txsystemofcare.org).