

## What is Project LINK?

- The **Project LINK** program was developed in 1992 to provide gender-specific services to pregnant and parenting women. There are **14** Project LINK programs housed in Community Services Boards. Pregnant women impacted by substance use disorders are a priority population for CSBs and are provided services within 48 hours.
- The **mission of Project LINK** is to reduce the existing barriers to accessing services needed by women impacted by substance use disorders, co-occurring disorders, and/or trauma, by coordinating existing services, improving communication on behalf of the client, enhancing the knowledge and skills of service providers, and augmenting existing services to address the special needs of the identified population including their infants and children.
- The **goals of Project LINK** include: decreasing the incidence of alcohol, tobacco, and other substance use among pregnant, postpartum, parenting, and “at risk” women; Increasing early identification, referrals, and follow-up of women and children, enhancing availability and accessibility of prevention, early intervention, and treatment services; optimize the healthy growth and development of infants born to Project LINK mothers; strengthen the family unit, promote positive parenting, and support the optimal development and functioning of all children in the family; and increase interagency collaboration.
- **Services provided by Project LINK** or community referral include case management, linkage to prenatal care, substance use disorder services, residential treatment, medication-assisted treatment, withdrawal management, mental health outpatient services, group therapy, intensive outpatient treatment, evidence-based trauma group, parenting program, and linkage to childcare and transportation services to attend treatment services. Infants and children are referred for developmental screenings and therapeutic interventions as deemed appropriate.



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