

**Kindergarten Readiness**  
*Kindergarten readiness can be improved with education and healthcare strategies, but is heavily influenced by family stability and community supportiveness.*

**Evidence-Based Strategies**

**Childcare & Early Education Programs**

**Early Childhood Curricula and Interventions**

**Early Childhood Workforce Supports**

**Supports for Expecting Parents & Families w/ Young Children**

**Maintaining Safe & Healthy Housing**

**Strategy Overview**

1. Create a foundation for early learning
2. Support healthy development
3. Subsidize childcare
4. Prepare 3 & 4-year olds for kindergarten
5. Deliver evidence-based curricula in small classes
6. Hire high quality staff
7. Assess and ensure quality (internal and external)

1. Prepare children for kindergarten with Evidence-Based Curricula
2. Develop children's learning skills
3. Playing and Learning
4. Provide training and classroom materials
5. Offer individual group learning

1. Build high quality workforce for young children
2. Set hiring standards
3. Recruit talent
4. Train educators
5. Retain educators

1. Increase access to high quality health care and education
2. Varied staffing delivery sites
3. Individual care supplemented with cohort-study activities
4. Incorporating supplemental supports

1. Balance residents' needs with inspector capacity
2. Promote inspections
3. Incentivize housing rehabilitation
4. Raise tenant and landlord awareness

**Best Practices in Implementation**

1. Cultivate local gov't champions
2. Invest in educators
3. Position teachers to succeed
4. Prepare children for transition to kindergarten
5. Screen and assess children to provide individualized support
6. Offer support services (e.g., parent education, health services, transportation assistance)

1. Align curriculum with local conditions
2. Invest in frequent teacher training
3. Collaborate with families
4. Include Social-Emotional learning

1. Pay competitive wages
2. Build recruiting pipeline
3. Invest in continuous improvement
4. Consider promising, innovative strategies

1. Identify a clear target population
2. Prioritize talent recruitment
3. Partner with community groups
4. Create flexibility for locating client meetings

1. Roll out program gradually
2. Engage with tenants and landlords
3. Build public trust
4. Cultivate buy-in among inspectors
5. Leverage data to set priorities

**Current CSC Leon-Funded Initiatives**

- ELC "On Ramp"
- Rebound and Recovery
- Family Resource Center

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- Family Strengthening
- Family Resource Center

- None to date

**Additional Opportunities for the Community**

- Expand On Ramp
- Regular screening
- Quality Rating System

- "Teaching Strategies GOLD"
- Classroom Adoption
- Family Engagement

- INCENTIVES/A\$CEND
- "Business Leaders Institute"
- Early Learning Career Center

- Prenatal Programs (Doula, Navigators, etc.)
- Home Visiting (Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families)

- Support for the BBCOC