



# A Social Network Analysis of the Roundtable Collaborative

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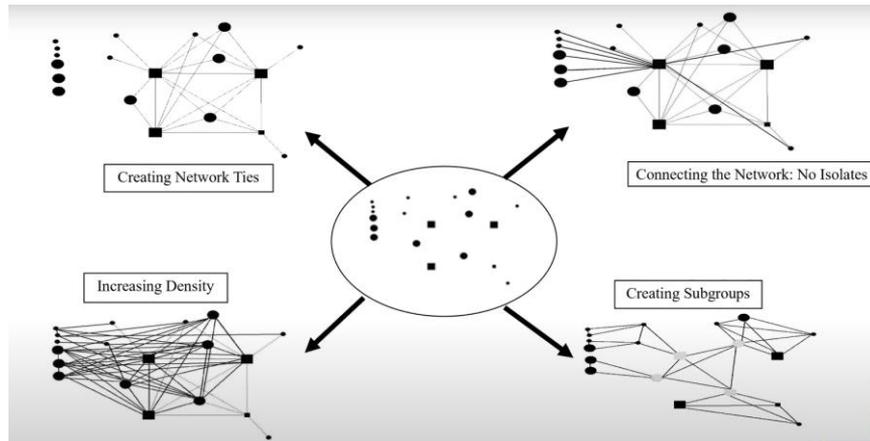
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## Social Network Analysis

Social Network Analysis (SNA) is the study of the structural relationships among interacting actors and the resulting effect on the network (how those relationships produce varying effects). A network is any interconnected group or system.



# The Network Life-Cycle



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## Methods

- PARTNER Tool: Program to Analyze, Record, and Track Networks to Enhance Relationships
- 22 agencies invited to participate
- One respondent per agency or program
- Response rate: 89.9%
- Completion rate: 90.9%



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## Findings for the Network as a Whole

### Value & Trust

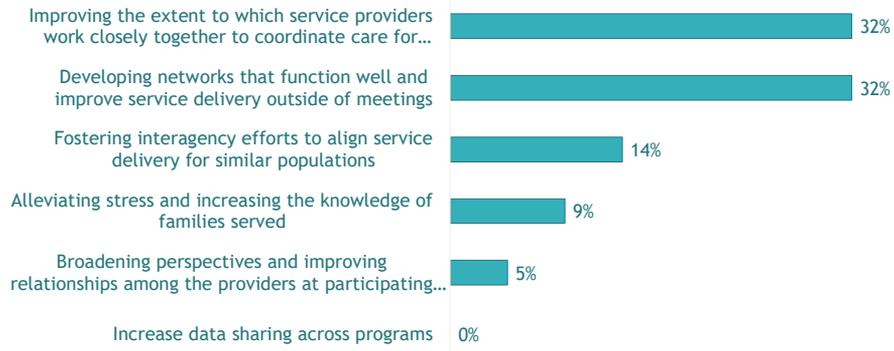


Roundtable Collaborative members report high levels of trust and value amongst participating agencies

- “Value” is calculated based on ratings of Power/Influence, Level of Involvement, and Resource Contribution
  - Total Network Value Rating: 77.5%
  - Value scores for individual agencies range from 2.58-3.53 out of 4
- “Trust” is calculated based on ratings of Reliability, Mission Congruence, and Openness to Discussion
  - Total Network Trust Rating: 87.1%
  - Trust scores for individual agencies range from 2.97-3.61 out of 4



# Most Important Outcome



# How Successful has the Roundtable Been at Reaching its Goals?

## Drivers of Success

### Most Important Driver of Success



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## Barriers to Success

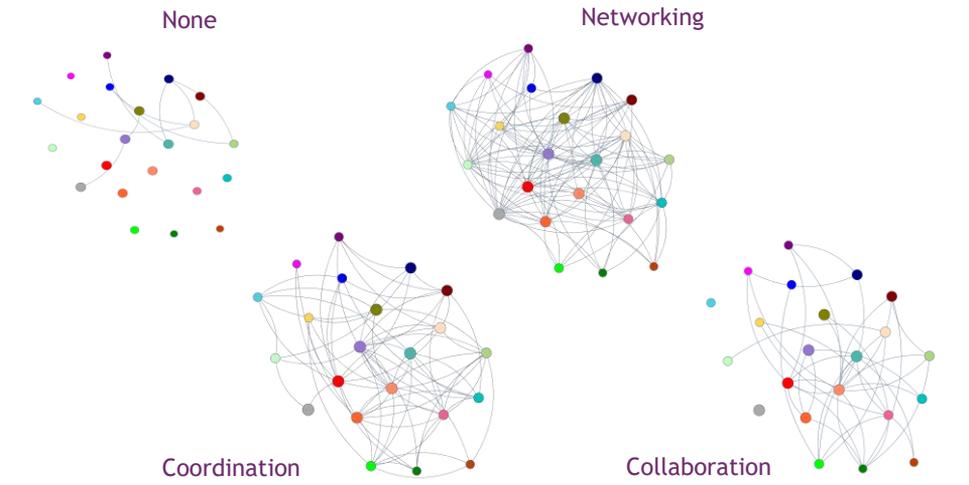


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Findings for Inter-Agency Relationships

## Maps: Type of Relationship



## Facilitators of Successful Collaboration



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## Barriers to Successful Collaboration

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## Themes from Open-Ended Response Items

Tremendous appreciation for the Roundtable as a forum to coordinate care for shared clients by:

- Building interpersonal relationships
- Learning about different agencies' available resources and roles
- Hearing more detail about families' situations
- Following up with families and providers



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## Themes from Open-Ended Response Items

Challenges can arise, including:

- Certain voices or perspectives dominating a given conversation
- Short notice on which cases will be presented
- Agency- or systems-level issues which cannot be resolved by the staff in the room
- Following up with families and providers



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## Key Takeaways



- o High levels of Value and Trust
- o The Roundtable is seen as a valuable resource for coordinating client care
- o The network relies on informal relationships between individuals more than formal relationships between agencies
- o The ability to share information is critical and should be bolstered
- o There are times when some members feel their perspectives are not heard or valued
- o Agency- and systems-level issues create ongoing challenges

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## Questions and Comments

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## STRATEGY UPDATE

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Oral Health  
Access and Utilization

## Original Intent

Support partnerships to improve young children's utilization of preventive oral health care and advocate for policies and practices that increases dental utilization for children on Medi-Cal

### F5SMC Recent Oral Health Investment



#### Virtual Dental Home

- Preventative services/ less invasive treatment provided in early learning settings
- Connection to "dental home"
- Circumvents many barriers to care
- Model leverages sustainable funding for Medi-Cal eligible children

## COVID-19 Impacts to Children's Oral Health

- Dental clinics closed for months with the exception of emergency procedures
- Abrupt closure resulted in delays to time-sensitive care and overburdens dental safety net
- Widespread loss of employment impacts dental insurance coverage
- Closure of schools and need for stable cohorts for those that remain open presents significant barriers for co-located oral health services

### Proposed Pivot for FY 2021-22

- Issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for preventative oral health education, advocacy, and service delivery strategies to be delivered in FY 2021-22
- Allocate up to \$250,000 of the overall \$375,000 earmarked for the initial 3-year term of the current strategic plan
- Likely priorities:
  - Partnerships with other providers and systems continuing to serve families
  - Activities that can be implemented on a short timeline to meet immediate needs



