



Families eligible for **IFPS services** have at least one child, age–birth through 17 years who is at imminent risk of placement in out-of-home care. Families with adopted children are eligible for referral to the program when it is determined that a disruption in the adoption placement will occur without intensive services.

### For county child welfare agency referred cases:

- There has been a substantiation of abuse, neglect, and/or dependency (as determined by the county child welfare agency prior to the referral to IFPS) and there is a rating of "high" on the Family Risk Assessment (DSS-5230) or the Family Risk Reassessment (DSS-5226).

OR

- There is a substantiation of abuse, but there is no rating of "high" on the Family Risk Assessment (DSS-5230) or Family Risk Reassessment (DSS-5226).

OR

- There has been a finding of Services needed (as determined by the county child welfare agency prior to referral to IFPS) and there is a rating of "high" on the Family Risk Assessment (DSS-5230) or Family Risk Reassessment (DSS-5226).

### For juvenile justice referred cases:

- The juvenile has been placed on Level 2 disposition by the court.

OR

- There has been an adjudication that the juvenile is delinquent or undisciplined, and the juvenile violates protective supervision or probation, or there are new charges.

### For mental health referred cases:

- It is determined by the child's treatment team that if IFPS is not offered, the child would be referred to a residential or inpatient setting

AND

- A standardized assessment tool must be completed demonstrating that the child is at imminent risk of removal from the home if IFPS services are not provided. The Community-Based Programs Team of the North Carolina Division of Social Services must approve the tool utilized prior to referrals based on that tool being accepted.

To refer a family to **Intensive Family Preservation Services**, please follow the link below to complete the appropriate referral form and fax the completed form to the appropriate number below:

## Online Forms: [chsnc.org/referral](https://chsnc.org/referral)

By County:

### Region 3

Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Watauga, Wilkes:

Fax: 336-690-5425

### Region 4

Cleveland, Gaston, Mecklenburg, Stanly:

Fax: 336-303-4168

Union, Cabarrus, Lincoln:

Fax: 336-790-4944

### Region 8

Durham, Edgecombe, Nash, Wilson, Wayne:

Fax: 336-790-4248

Franklin, Granville, Johnston, Vance, Wake, Warren:

Fax: 336-303-4167

## What Our Clients are Saying:

I had a really good experience with our worker. I felt like I could participate in the program unjudged.

At first I didn't want this, but as I got started and comfortable, I really enjoyed it and learned a lot about my family and myself.

With the program my family was able to make it to a more stable place and that process alone brought us together.