



YES News & Updates

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SERVICES NEWSLETTER

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Season's Greetings

Thank you for your work on behalf of Idaho's youth in 2018

As we wrap up 2018, the Youth Empowerment Services team would like to thank community members who have participated in the building out of YES, and who have helped craft training and messaging and provided feedback to ensure that the system of care that we are developing will serve Idaho's youth with mental health concerns for years to come.

Thank you!

In 2019 we look forward to the release of the YES Practice Manual (scheduled for February), new informational videos, training and new services and supports for youth.

If you have questions or topics you would like to see covered in future YES News & Updates issues, please let us know! Go to the [Contact US form](#) on the YES website to share your story ideas with us. Have a safe, happy and joyous holiday season!



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PARENTS

Wraparound for Families Handbook prepares family for Wraparound planning process

A guide to Wraparound is now available for families. Wraparound is a team-based, family-driven and youth-guided planning process used in the YES system of care in Idaho. Wraparound is intended to assist youth and families who may be experiencing a high level of needs. Written by YES partner parents for parents, *Wraparound for Families* handbook is available in English on the YES website, [Resources & Training page](#). A Spanish version will be available in January.



PROJECT

Learn about initial Idaho CANS usage and client satisfaction

Each quarter, the Division of Behavioral Health's data crunchers and analysts put together an informative report which provides a window into Idaho youth behavior and mental health status, as well as the mental health system that supports them. The most recent YES Quality Management Improvement and Accountability (QMIA) Report provides insights on how youth and families are experiencing the mental health system. It also reports on training and use of the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) tool as providers start to get certified and use the CANS in their practices. You'll find the October 2018 and past reports on the [Reports and Updates page](#) under *QMIA Quarterly Reports* on the YES website.



PROJECT

Workforce Development & Training Plan Update Issued

The *YES Workforce Development and Training Plan 2018 Update* is now available. The report details the ways in which the State of Idaho, along with agency partners at Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (IDHW), State Department of Education (SDE) and Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections (IDJC) have been working together to meet the goals and objectives outlined in the Workforce Development Plan. [Access the updated plan](#) on the YES website.

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