

Pyramid Model Framework (PMF) Webinar: Expectations for LSMs

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Local System Managers:

We officially launched our statewide implementation of the pyramid model framework with an introductory webinar on March 20, 2024. I hope you were able to participate! The pyramid model framework gives structure to our efforts to improve positive social-emotional skills, including social relationships, for all infants and toddlers in early intervention. It reinforces the importance of the evidence-based practices we already use in Virginia and highlights components that need further definition and work.

During the webinar, I noted my expectations of local system managers regarding this work; and I want to reiterate those here.

- Complete the webinar and require your practitioners to do so too. For those who were not able to participate in the live webinar, the recording is available [here](#).
- Be leaders in communicating the importance and value of the pyramid model framework in early intervention.
- Use the infographic and learning byte shared during the webinar to build awareness and knowledge in your local system. These and other resources related to the pyramid model framework are available on our website: [Pyramid Model Framework — Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia](http://www.itcva.online) (<http://www.itcva.online>)
- Strengthen fidelity to the evidence-based practices we are already using in Virginia, like caregiver coaching. Use your coaching fidelity results from last year to provide supports and resources necessary to reach and sustain fidelity in your local system;
- Participate in professional development activities as we roll out resources and supports associated with the key practices that comprise the framework; and
- Provide feedback ... let us know how this information is being received in your local system, what questions you have and what additional resources you may need.

Thank you for all you do to support infants, toddlers and their families and for your commitment to improving positive social-emotional skills, including social relationships, for those we serve.

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