North Carolina state and county DSS and their community partners will create an achievement-focused child welfare culture which includes:

- Adopting a continuous quality improvement (CQI) approach to child welfare that is data-driven and results-oriented.
- Engaging community partners to assess needs and build on strengths of each community.
- Using evidence-based best practices, technical assistance (TA), and training to continuously improve achievements.

Key REAP Components

Core Child Welfare Achievements
- Monthly “data dashboard” report sent to county DSS to track progress on key child welfare outcomes

Child Welfare Community Assessment
- Revised method and tool for bi-annual review
- Used to identify top priorities for improvement

Child Welfare Achievement Plan
- Developed with community partners
- Based on community’s strengths and needs
- Includes action steps for changes in practice or system

Data-Driven Technical Assistance
- Provided by Division based on county achievements and self-assessment
- On-line gateway will track requests and measure impact of TA and training
- Peer-to-peer networking for implementation support

In 2011 eight county DSS agencies began piloting this model.

For more information contact your county Department of Social Services.