

IOWA EMPOWERMENT BOARD STRATEGIC PLAN

2009 – 2011

Iowa’s Early Care, Health and Education System Vision: *Every child, beginning at birth, will be healthy and successful.*

Empowerment *Results*

Empowerment Communities will develop the capacity and commitment for achieving the results of:

- Healthy Children
- Children Ready to Succeed in School
- Safe and Supportive Communities
- Secure and Nurturing Families
- Secure and Nurturing Child Care Environments

Mission Statement

The Iowa Empowerment Board builds community capacity to deliver a comprehensive and integrated early care, health and education system.

Guiding Principles

- ❖ Results-focused decision making
- ❖ Evidence-Based practices
- ❖ Accountability
- ❖ Collaboration
- ❖ Respect for all

Goals		
All empowerment boards will meet state performance and fiscal standards.	Iowa’s early care, health and education system will be evidence-based and collaborative.	Expand public and private support for Iowa’s early care, health and education system.
Strategies		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evaluate, redesign and implement a community board evaluation process. 2. Develop fiscal management strategies for Community Empowerment. 3. Build a management framework that supports Community Empowerment at the state and local level. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evaluate, develop and implement a collaborative, quality framework for programs within the early care, health and education system. 2. Create the infrastructure to support evidence-based programming. 3. Ensure that Community Empowerment funds are used for evidence-based practices. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase statewide and local partnerships and investments. 2. Develop and implement statewide a First Years First investment model. 3. Grow awareness and advocacy of Community Empowerment at the state and local level.