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Ready by 21 | Results-Based Planning for Communities Using Ready by 21 | Standards and Strategies

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Presented by Results Leadership Group and The Forum for Youth Investment







WELCOME AND OVERVIEW

Janay Queen, RLG, moderator Karen Pittman, Forum, presenter Karen Finn, RLG, presenter Merita Irby, Forum, presenter



Goals (Agenda)

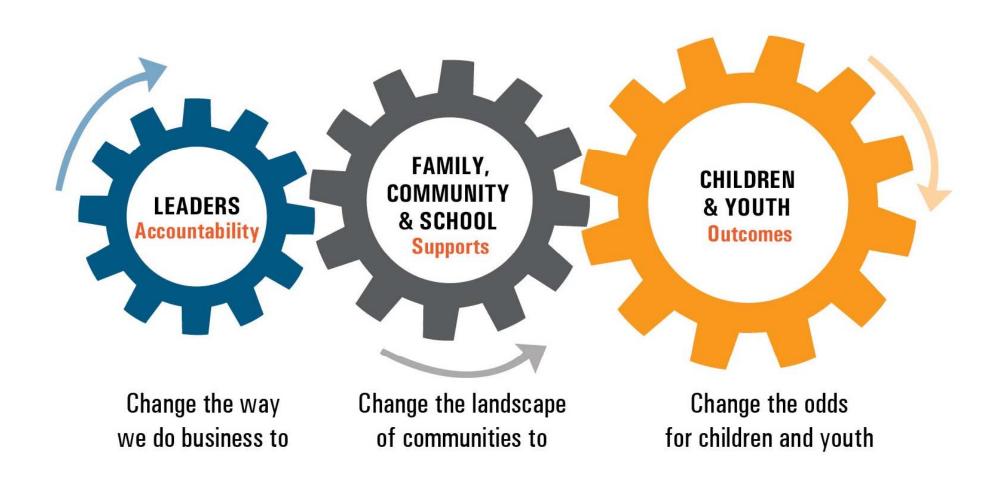
- What is Ready by 21[®]? What type of planning does it require? [Pittman]
- How can Results-Based Accountability™ Help? [Finn] The Rb21 Adaptation [Irby]
- How can the RBA Scorecard Help? [Finn] The Rb21 Adaptation [Irby]
- What questions do you have? [Queen]

READY BY 21 WHAT IS IT? WHAT TYPE OF PLANNING DOES IT REQUIRE?

Karen Pittman, President and CEO The Forum for Youth Investment



Ready by 21: Changing the Odds for Youth by Changing the Way We Do Business





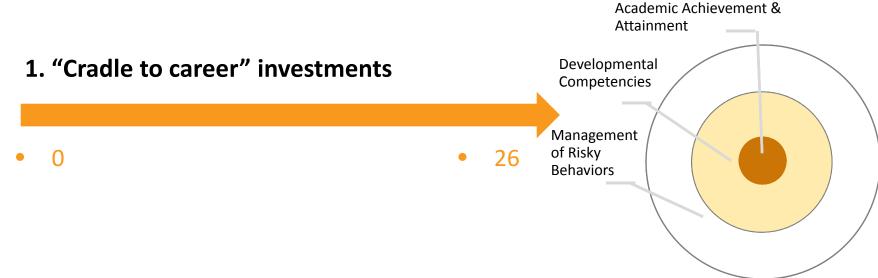
Ready by 21 Assertions

Readiness for and success in college, work and life are determined by more than academic success in high school. Therefore:

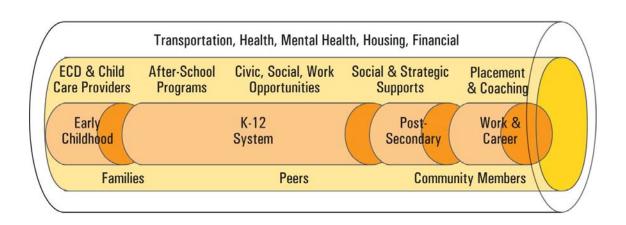
- 1. Investments in readiness should start before birth and continue into the mid-twenties.
- 2. Indicators of readiness should include not only measures of academic success and risky behaviors and circumstances, but also measures of developmental competencies...
- 3. Improvements in readiness require improvements in the settings and systems where young people spend their time.
- **4. The capacity for improvement** rests within the community's leaders individuals from youth and family members to volunteers to elected officials who regularly take the initiative to spark change.



Ready by 21 Graphics & Terms



3. Improvements across systems and settings
The Insulated Education Pipeline

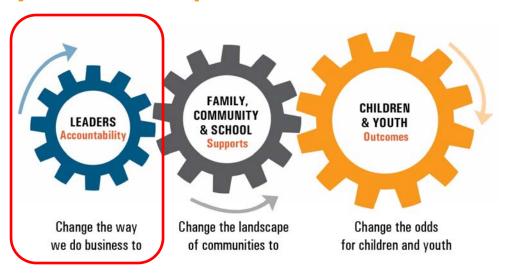


2. Balanced Indicators along the continuum



Ready by 21 Graphics & Terms

4. Powerful Solutions for Passionate Leaders

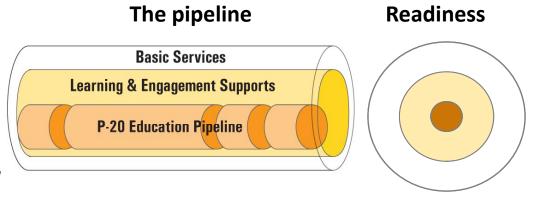


Standards and Strategies: The 4 B's Broader Partnerships

Bigger Goals

Better Data and Planning

Bolder Strategies

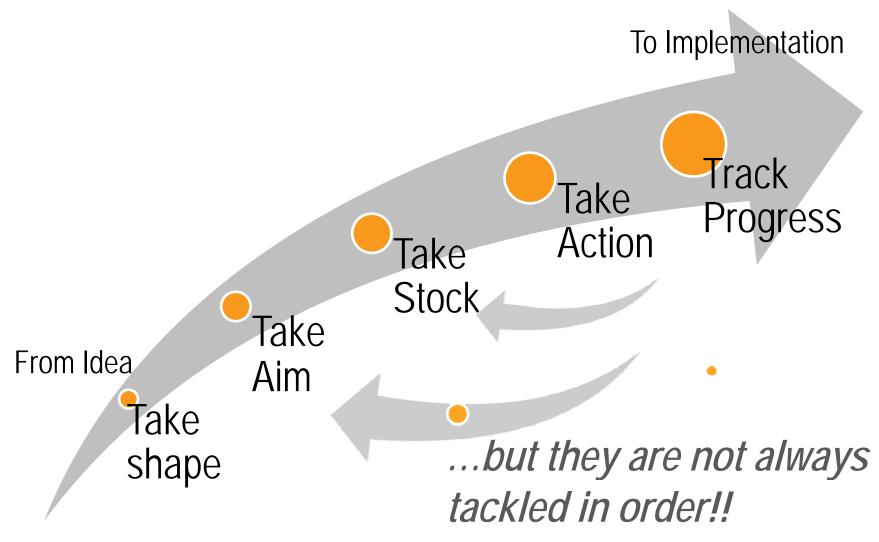


Ready by 21 Partners Meets leaders where they are, Challenges them to do more, Helps them get further faster...

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Build Broader Partnerships	Set Bigger Goals	Use Better Data & Information for Decision-making	Implement Bolder Strategies
□ Involved key stakeholders? □ Strengthened, linked & aligned coalitions and networks? □ Created or supported the development of an overarching leadership council?	☐ Established goals for children & youth that really reflect what we know about how they develop and learn? ☐ Defined the essential supports needed in order to establish clear goals for all families, settings & systems?	 □ Adopted a datadriven decisionmaking process? □ Identified & filled information and data gaps and connected data across systems and levels? □ Brought the best information about what works into the decisionmaking process? 	 □ Improved the quality, reach & coordination of programs, services and systems? □ Engaged youth & families as change makers? □ Aligned policies & prioritized the use of resources? □ Increased public demand for quality supports & clear results?



These tasks have a logical flow...



Ready by 21 Brings a Big Picture Approach to RBA Planning



SHAPE. Select planning group carefully to represent all stakeholders. Anticipate the need to make recommendations for modifying and aligning permanent coordinating structures.

AIM. Define desired results for children and youth; define common standards for systems and settings.

ACTION. Identify action areas that are linked to multiple results. Remember, taking shape and taking stock can be actions.

Take
Take
Action
Stock

Track Progress

STOCK. Select a balanced set of indicators that reflect the age/outcome continuum and

age/outcome continuum and performance measures for standards. Identify potential partners and map current capacities.

PROGRESS. Track progress in ways that link effort to outcomes.

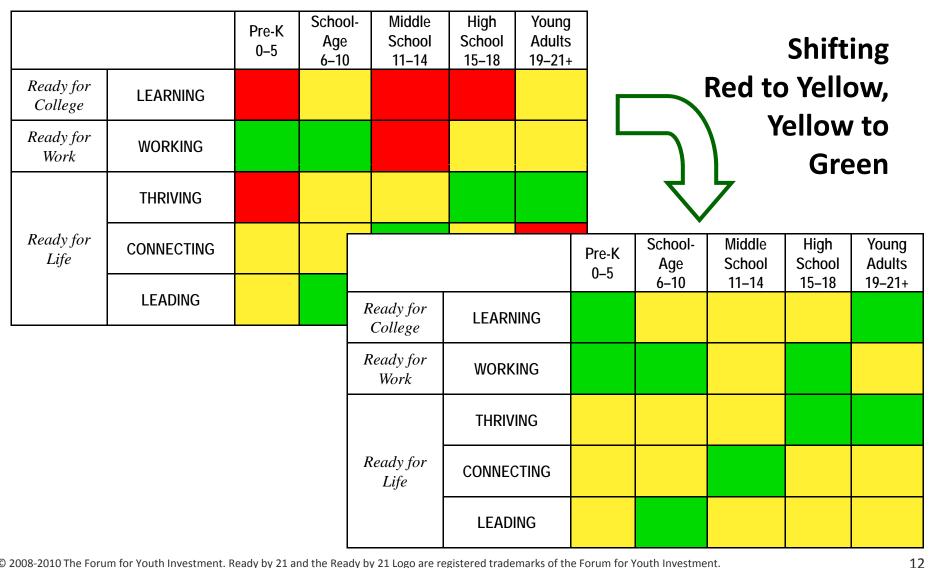
Aim Take

shape

Take



Rb21: Big Picture ways to set goals, select strategies and track progress



Ready by 21 National Partnership.

Tools. Training. Technical Assistance. Quality Assurance.



Founder & **Managing Partner**

Signature Partner

United















Ready by 21 State & Local **Policy Networks**



















Technical Partners





Ready by 21 Results

Decision makers need to increase their capacity and shared commitment to:

- define values, vision & goals
- •ensure adequate and aligned resources
- publish, detailed coordinated action plans
- have accurate information on the status of children, youth, family, school community supports
- •provide annual progress reports
- Engage and empower providers, families, youth, citizens
- •implement scalable strategies for improving community supports

Formal and Informal Providers need to increase their capacity and commitment to:

- provide high quality supports and instruction
- increase reach and retention, especially of underserved populations
- document impact
- manage staff and fiscal resources effectively
- coordinate their efforts with others to ensure that children and youth realize their potential.
- •actively engage and empower youth & families

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Children and youth need to increase their capacity and commitment to:

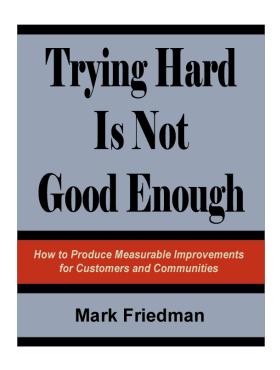
- •graduate from high school
- manage risky behaviors & circumstances
- •be responsible and resourceful
- •have high expectations for themselves and others
- •use their voices and skills
- •find their passion or spark
- •build the competencies needed to succeed in college, work and life
- •monitor their own progress
- •seek support and guidance from formal and informal providers

RESULTS-BASED ACCOUNTABILITY™

Karen Finn Partner, Results Leadership Group



What is Results-Based AccountabilityTM (RBA)?



A disciplined way of thinking and taking action that communities can use to improve the lives of children, youth, families and the community as a whole.

It can also be used to improve the performance of programs, agencies and service systems.



Two Key Principles for Achieving Measurable Community Results

- 1. Starting with ends, working backwards to means
- 2. Data-driven, transparent Decision Making

RBA in a Nutshell Leadership



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- 2 Kinds of Accountability
 - Population accountability Performance accountability
- 3 Kinds of Performance Measures.
 - How much did we do? How well did we do it? Is anyone better off?
- 7 Questions from ends to means in less than an hour: Turn the CurveTM Thinking

RBA distinguishes between two kinds of Accountability:



Population Accountability

about the well-being of

WHOLE POPULATIONS

Ex. Communities – Cities – Counties – States - Nations

Performance Accountability

about the well-being of

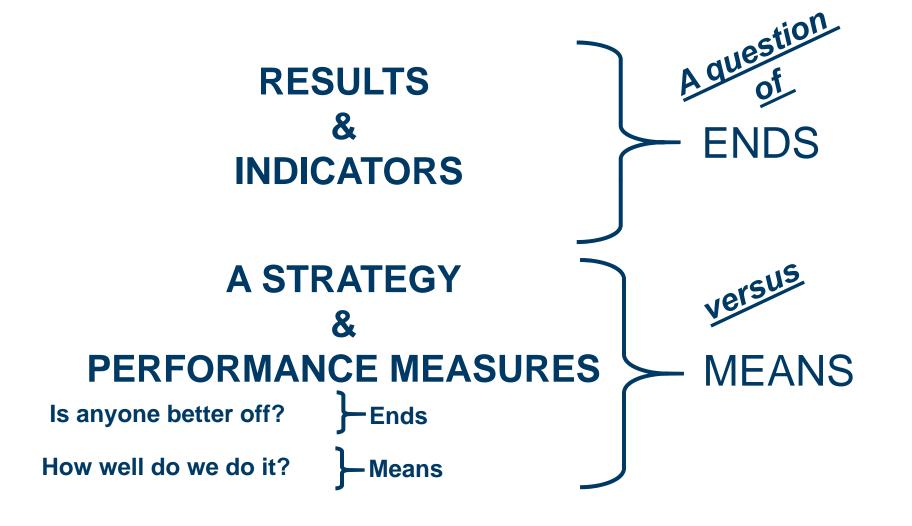
CLIENT POPULATIONS

Ex. Programs – Agencies – and Service Systems

MEASURABLE RESULTS FOR CLIENTS AND COMMUNITIES

Why Distinguish Population from Performance Accountability?





MEASURABLE RESULTS FOR CLIENTS AND COMMUNITIES



Turn the Curve Thinking™





Take Aim

Take Stock

Take Action

Action Plan

Turn-the-Curve Thinking™ Talk to Action

Result:

Indicator Baseline



Story behind the baseline

Partners (with a role to play in turning the curve)

What Works

Strategy (w/ Budget)

READY BY 21 RESULTS BASED ACCOUNTABILITY

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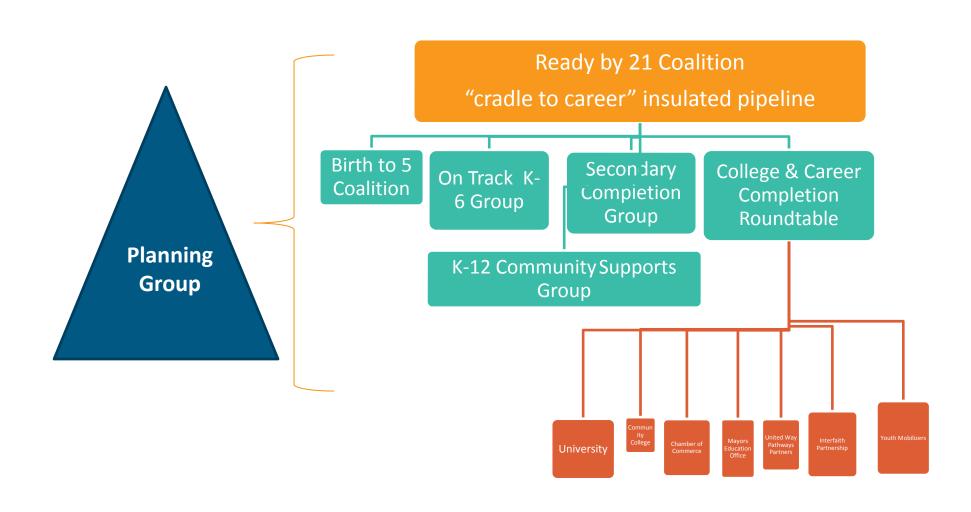


Rb21 | RBA Planning Facilitation

- Developed in response to field experience with state and local leaders interested in blending Rb21 and RBA approaches
- Resolves practical questions re how to adhere to Rb21 standards within RBA (e.g. working with multiple indicators)
- Facilitation guide jointly development by Irby and Finn.
- Use of RBA tools in Rb21 trainings and facilitations approved by Mark Friedman
- Training and planning facilitation services available to those familiar with either RBA or Rb21



Linking Planning to Permanence





Linking Indicators to Action Areas

Youth READY BY 21 ➤

A Five-Year Action Agenda for Maryland 🗲

Presented to the Children's Cabinet by the Ready by 21 **Planning Team**

October 2007







Desired Results:

Indicators:

Action Areas:

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Ready for work

Ready for Life



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RBA RESULTS SCORECARD: READY BY 21 EXAMPLE

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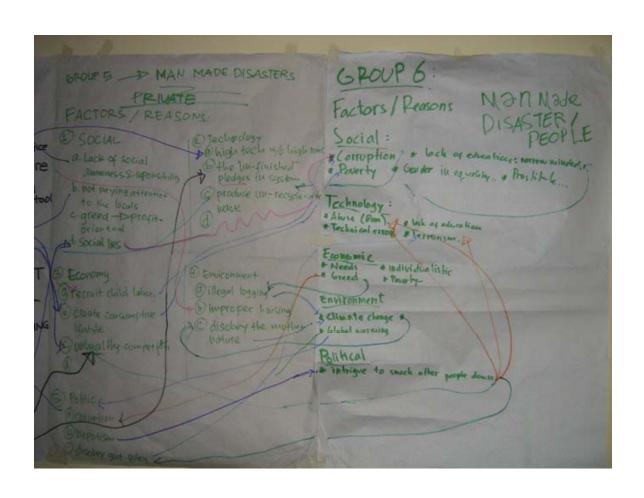


Even in a perfectly facilitated planning process with lots of great ideas and flipcharts on the walls.....





What percent of this information is retained and used 60 days later?



Planning Documents Are Not Enough



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Managing

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Big

Documents

Doesn't Work!

- Too big for most people to read or regularly review
- Yet without enough details for most partners
- Overwhelming, without clear pathway for action
- Static (PDF or Paper)



Are meetings the only way to communicate?





A Better Way: RBA Results Scorecard™!

- Supports shared accountability for results as well as program performance accountability for customer results;
- Connects stakeholders in a single, interactive network;
- Integrates with case management and data collection software (e.g., CSG, nFocus);
- Facilitates transparency and rigorous use of data;
- Accelerates getting from talk to action ("rapid data"); and
- Promotes accountability for investments in programs leading to improved community-wide results.

Let's Take a Look at Five Key Features of the Results Scorecard:

- Home Page
- Children and Youth Outcomes Scorecard
- Family and Community Supports Scorecard
- "Turn the Curve" Screen
- Program View



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Home

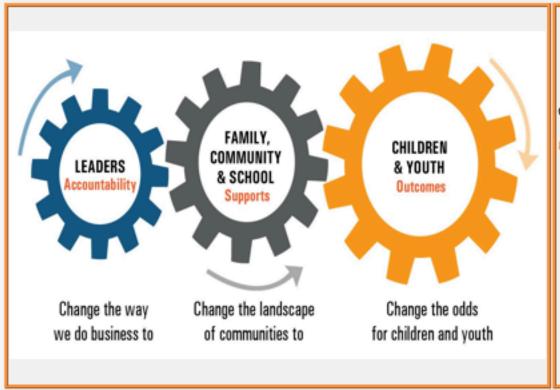
Scoreboard

Data Driven Decisions

Reports
Data & Projects

Scorecard Builder Organize Data





Welcome to the Ready by 21 Scorecard

Improving outcomes for children and youth requires the commitment of dozens of organizations from multiple sectors to align and improve what they do to achieve a greater impact. The Rb21 Scorecard is designed to bring precision to both the planning and performance improvement efforts of the community as a whole, and of the organizations within it.

The Rb21 Scorecard is the result of a partnership between Results Leadership Group and the Forum for Youth Investment. It combines the Ready by 21 principles and frameworks with Results-Based Accountability (TM).

The Rb21 Scorecard can be customized to meet your organization and community needs. Once you create your own Scorecard, this welcome message will be replaced by a message from your managing coalition or leadership group.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON COMMUNITY PARTNERS, CLICK HERE



Thanks for your partnership!

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Merita Irby

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Featured Data Tablet



Middle School(11-14): % of Middle School Students Reading at Grade Level

FY2009

96%



High School (15-18): % of **HS Students Reading at** Grade Level

FY2009

83%



Story Behind the Curve

The trend is improving because: More childcare programs have met accreditation standards. More work still

Pre-School (0-5): % of

Children Ready for

Kindergarten



The trend is improving due to increased efforts by community partners to ensure students have resources and opport

School Age (6-10): % of

FY2009

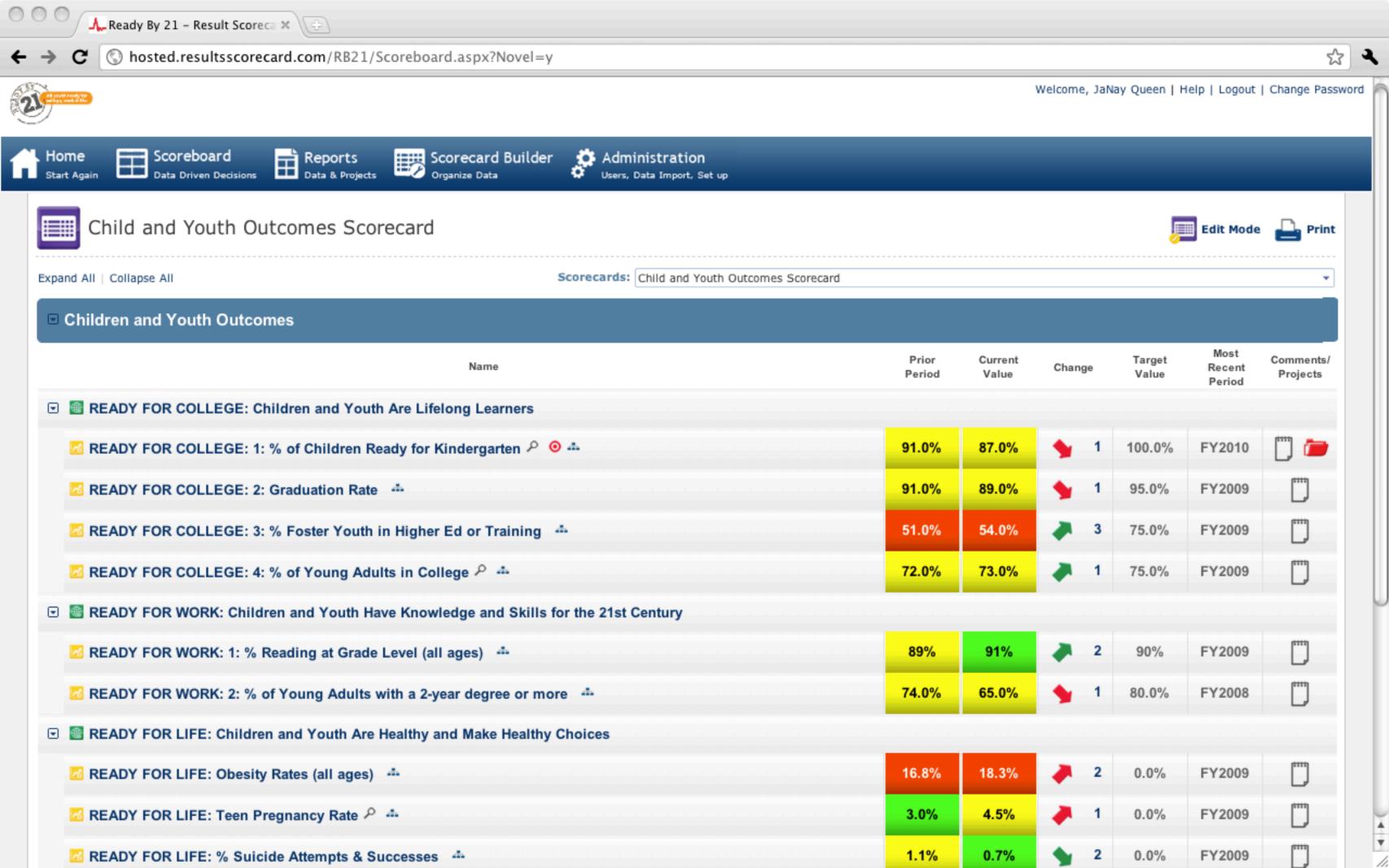
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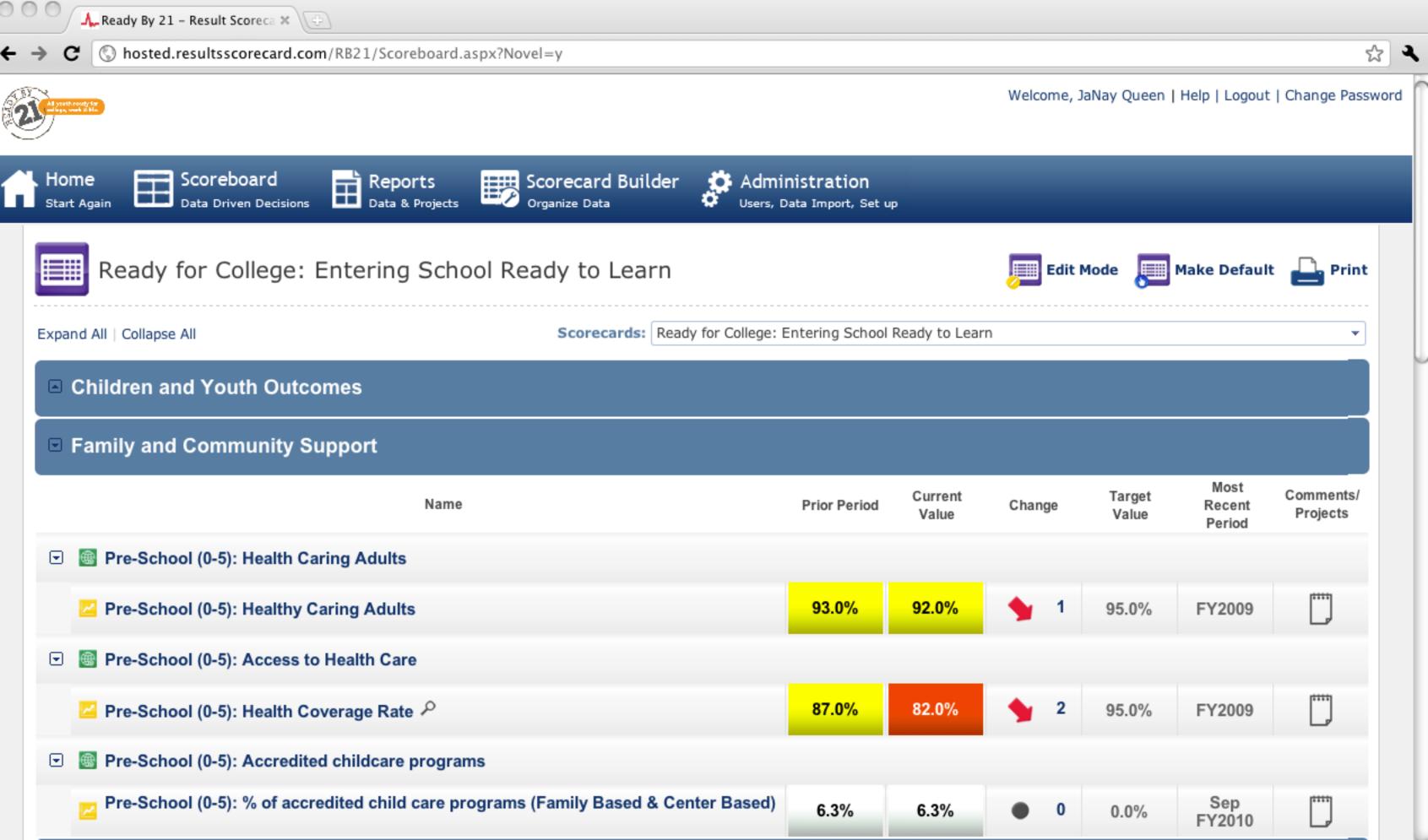
Elementary Students



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READY FOR COLLEGE: Children and Youth Are Lifelong Learners

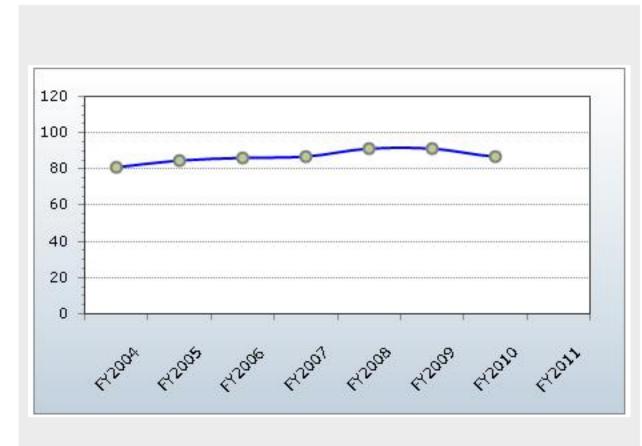
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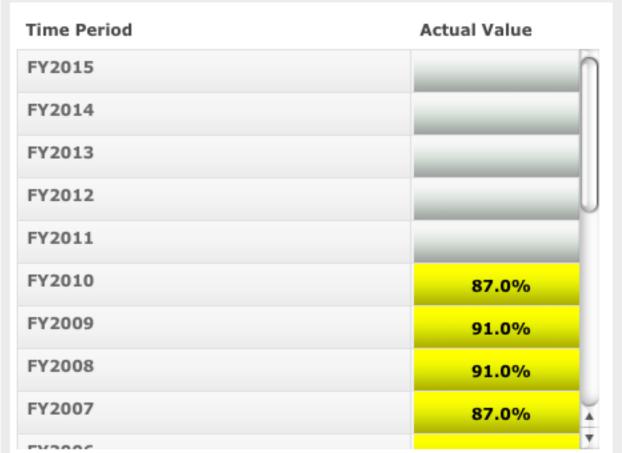


READY FOR COLLEGE: 1: % of Children Ready for Kindergarten









Story Behind The Curve

Actions ▼

While school readiness has been improving over the past 10 years, it is important to note that several factors contribute to the lack of readiness, such as:

- · lack of education among family members
- low family income
- lack of family supports
- · poor health care

Partners

Actions >

Parents/families Child care providers Teachers

Institutions that certify child care providers

What Works

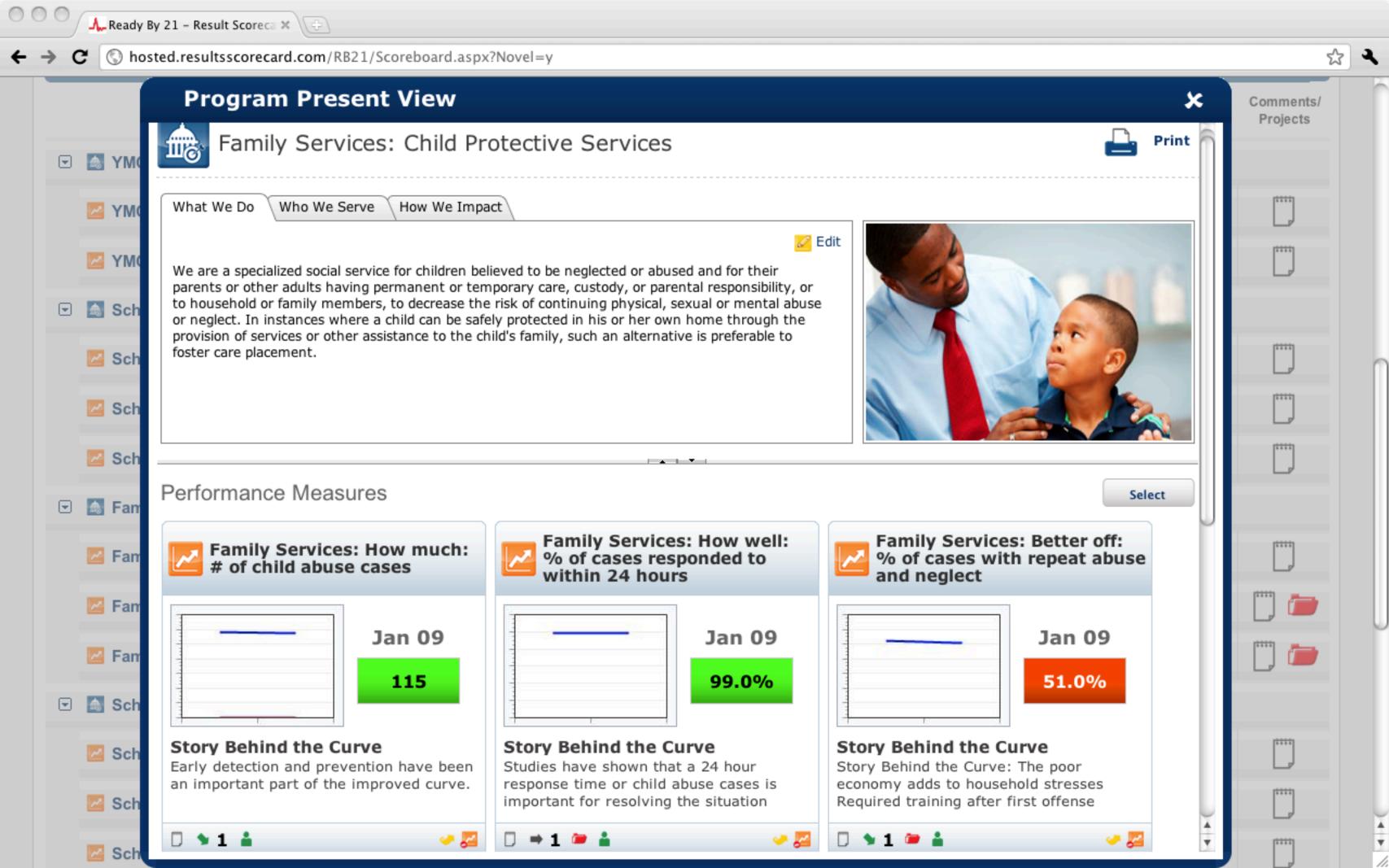
Actions ▼

Investing early in child care and development

Strategy

Actions

We will engage child care providers in having standardized tools and engage parents to be more proactive in reading to their kids.



RBA Scorecard Helps w/ Rb21 Planning

AIM. Define Results for Each Gear at the population level. Organize indicators under results.

SHAPE. Document who your planning group is and who your accountability partners are.

Take shape

Take Aim ACTION. Create priority projects that represent your main action areas or crosscutting strategies

Take

Action

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Want to Learn More?

- Ready by 21 Standards and Strategies
- Ready by 21 Partnership Tools, Trainings, TA
- Ready by 21 RBA Planning Process
- RBA Planning Tools, Trainings, Facilitations
- RBA Results Scorecard
- Rb21 Results Scorecard (to come)
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Questions

