

# New Hampshire

## ACEs Initiatives and Actions

As knowledge about the science of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) spreads, ACEs initiatives have launched in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. Hundreds of cross-sector collaboratives are educating and engaging organizations and policymakers about ACEs science. In turn, these organizations are implementing trauma-informed and resilience-building practices and policies based on ACEs science; many legislatures are passing resolutions and/or bills.

### Highlights

The New Hampshire Department of Education's Office of Student Wellness is collaborating with the New Hampshire Bureau of Special Education and the Center for Behavioral Health Innovation at Antioch University on Project GROW ([Generating Resilience, Outcomes, and Wellness](#)). Their [guide](#) for creating trauma-sensitive schools includes resources, videos, and [self-paced tutorials](#) on ACEs science and trauma-informed approaches. The [Pre-School Technical Assistance Network \(P-TAN\)](#), which supports over 40 school districts, offers a free, self-paced [online tutorial about trauma-informed early childhood services](#).

Two trauma-informed programs in the [Dartmouth Trauma Interventions Research Center](#) are Partners for Change, which improves the use of evidence-based assessments, screenings, treatments and medication monitoring; and NH Adoption Preparation and Preservation, which helps children to be adopted, or who have been adopted with trauma-informed and evidence-based services.

[ACERT](#), the Adverse Childhood Experiences Response Team, combines police officers responding to domestic violence with a crisis services advocate and a behavioral health professional whenever a child is involved. [Project LAUNCH](#) (Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health) develops trauma-informed responses to ACEs for agencies, families and children in Manchester. Both programs run through the [Manchester Community Health Center](#).

Monadnock Thrives: Building Resilient Families, an ACEs initiative in the south-western part of New Hampshire, launched in February 2018 with a screening of the documentary [Resilience](#) in Keene, followed by [a community discussion](#).

### State Initiative

No state initiative was identified.

### Local Initiatives

[Monadnock Thrives: Building Resilient Families](#)

### Legislation

No legislation was identified.

Find links and add your updates to all initiatives and legislation at [www.bit.ly/ACEsInitiatives](http://www.bit.ly/ACEsInitiatives)

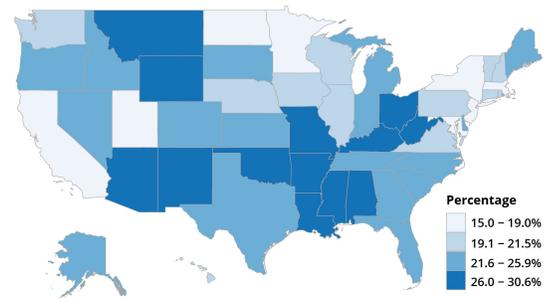


19.7%  
NH\*

21.7%  
USA

## Percent of children with 2 or more ACEs

NH ranks 13th in the US for lowest percentage of children with ACEs scores of 2 or more.



CAHMI (Child & Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative) surveys parents or guardians about their children ages 0-17.

Percentage of children aged 0-17 yrs. who experienced two or more of the following:

- Hard to get by on income (somewhat or very often)
- Saw or heard violence in the home
- Victim/witness of neighborhood violence
- Lived with anyone mentally ill, suicidal, or depressed
- Lived with anyone with alcohol or drug problem
- Parent/guardian divorced or separated
- Parent/guardian died
- Parent/guardian served time in jail
- Often treated or judged unfairly due to race/ethnicity

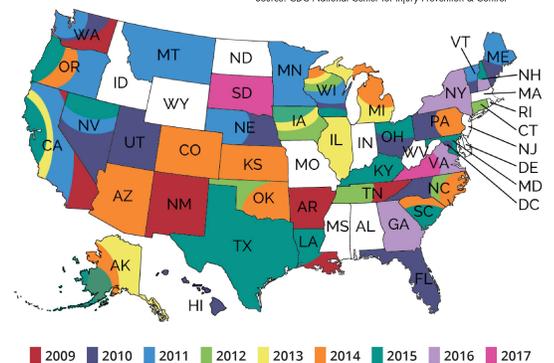
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[www.cahmi.org/projects/Adverse-childhood-experiences-aces](http://www.cahmi.org/projects/Adverse-childhood-experiences-aces)

\* State Range: 15.0% - 30.6%

## States Collecting ACEs Data 2009 - 2017

Source: CDC National Center for Injury Prevention & Control



The ACEs module of Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (BRFSS) data comes from interviews with adults about their experiences to age 18. BRFSS is sponsored by the CDC and other federal agencies.