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Monthly Update: WIC Developmental Monitoring Project



You are receiving this monthly newsletter because you are a part of the ASPHN WIC Developmental Monitoring Project. This newsletter will feature updates from states within the project about what they are doing and successes and challenges they have had, information about upcoming trainings, and other news. If you have anything you'd like to contribute, you can reach out to Amber Brown at AmberBrown@asphn.org. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

- **August 20th @ Noon EST: *Help Me Grow's Collaboration with Missouri WIC***

ASPHN and CDC Updates



Milestone Module Development Task Force

The “WIC Developmental Monitoring Project” is developing online education modules about developmental milestones for WIC participants. These modules will be housed on an online WIC education platform for participants to take as part of their online nutrition education contact and can also be utilized during clinic closures from the pandemic. We have put together a task force to provide guidance on the development of these modules. The task force members are: Hannah Nolan (AR), D'Anne Ward (MO), Janet Farmer (MO), Frances McLaughlin (NH), Charles Lorinser (IA), Katie Green (CDC). If you are interested in helping with this please contact Amber Brown (amberbrown@asphn.org)

Virtual Service Delivery Webinar Series

Brazelton Touchpoints Center is offering a series of free webinars and an online learning community that will explore how to manage the challenges posed by virtual service delivery and share strategies providers have found for building and sustaining strong relationships with families virtually. In partnership with Parents as Teachers and the Rapid Response Virtual Home Visiting (RR-VHV) Collaborative, we will build on lessons learned from virtual home visiting, adapted for all family-facing providers.

All professionals who work with families of young children—including those who work in health care, early care and education, early intervention, child welfare, and family support—are encouraged to attend these webinars. We are pairing the webinars with an online learning community where webinar participants can engage with one another and BTC facilitators around the topics and strategies discussed in the webinars. A list of webinars is below. For more information and to register for the webinars visit this link:

https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yyvqWi4XRa-gALdzbWwAJw

Webinar 2: Wednesday, August 5, 2 PM ET / 11 AM PT
Partnering with Families Virtually

Webinar 3: Wednesday, August 19, 2 PM ET / 11 AM PT
Providing Staff Support and Supervision Virtually

Webinar 4: Wednesday, September 2, 2 PM ET / 11 AM PT
Developmental Screenings on Your Screen

Webinar 5: Wednesday, September 16, 2 PM ET / 11 AM PT
Challenging Conversations with Families Virtually

Webinar 6: Wednesday, September 30, 2 PM ET / 11 AM PT
Taking Care of Yourself as a Virtual Service Provider

ASPHN's Library of Reliable COVID-19 Information

ASPHN has created a library of COVID-19 reliable information related to public health nutrition. Check it out here:

<https://asphn.org/covid-19-resources/>

State Updates:

New Hampshire

New Hampshire has developed banners for travel/remote clinics that other states are welcome to use.

The banner is 24" x 63", but stands 66" tall when it is suspended on the stand.

The contact information for the company they used is:

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Arkansas

Arkansas has recently created a module for WICSmart called, "Milestones Matter" about developmental milestones. This is now available through WICSmart and they are promoting it with clients as well as promoting the app.

Nevada

Nevada WIC's State Office is working hard to find ways to adapt the statewide launch of the WIC DMCP. A meeting with local agency directors will be held the end of July to brainstorm ideas for implementation of the program whether clinics are seeing participants in-person or remotely through the end of September. The checklists have been modified to PDF fillable forms. These forms can be sent to participants in different ways depending on applicant/participant's resources or preferences. Checklists can be sent via email to participants who email them back to that clinic's general email address. They can then be reviewed either in clinic or over phone depending how appointment is conducted.

We're exploring other options to disseminate the Checklists using online or text messaging.

Nevada WIC will continue to collect the data from the checklists and referral tracker forms using Survey Monkey. We are hoping to launch statewide in August.

Massachusetts

Massachusetts is continuing to promote CDC's Milestone Tracker App. They have added a link to the Tracker App to their WIC Shopper App. During the month of June they had over 10,000 hits on the CDC tracker app from the WICShopper app!

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