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Monthly Update: WIC Developmental Monitoring Project



<https://asphn.org/learn-the-signs-act-early/>

Upcoming Events

- **August 24th, 11 am ET:** Updates & Successes from Year 4 of the WIC Developmental Monitoring Project
- **September 28th, 11 am ET:** Topic TBD

Register in advance:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUIce6vpjwoG9RyWi9A3BmuVF3FJj5jsvXy>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

**Monthly trainings take place on the 4th Wednesday at 11 am ET.*

Sharing Updates/Resources

Would your state like to be featured in an upcoming newsletter? Please send an update on what your state is working on regarding developmental monitoring by the 20th of the month to be featured in the following month's newsletter.

Send to
amberbrown@asphn.org
Thanks!

ASPHN and CDC Updates



Updated Deskside Reference Guide Now Available!

I'm happy to share that CDC's Deskside Reference Guide has now been updated to reflect the revised milestones released earlier this year. Click the button below to download. This will be updated on CDC's webpages in the next few weeks. CDC is also working on finalizing the updates to the WIC Customized Checklists and they should be available soon.

[CDC's Deskside Reference Guide](#)

Available Now! Updated WIC Developmental Monitoring Materials

ASPHN is happy to share that we have updated developmental monitoring resources for WIC to reflect [CDC's revised milestones](#) that were released earlier this year.

"Milestones Matter" Participant Education Modules have been updated on WICHealth.org and WICSmart in both English and Spanish. These modules have been incredibly popular among WIC participants. Updates to the modules include updates to reflect CDC's revised milestones, more nutrition information, fewer words, and two new age groups (15-month and 30-month).

The WICShopper App Developmental Milestone Content has been updated. The content now reflects the revised CDC developmental milestones and includes an updated format that is easier for WIC participants, information on CDC's online milestone checklists and updated positive parenting tips. This content has proved to be an invaluable resource for families in WIC. Since its inception in April 2021, the content has been viewed over a million times by WIC participants and remains more popular than ever with several thousand families referring to the content each day. Please inquire if your agency is not using the content but would like to. You can view the updated content here: <https://ebtshopper.com/banners/cdc-milestones-matter-initiative/>

The "Introduction to Child Development for WIC Staff" training module has also been updated in both English and Spanish to reflect CDC's revised developmental milestones. This 30-40 minute module provides WIC staff with the basics of child development and how to encourage developmental monitoring with WIC participants.

[Available here in English](#)

[Available here in Spanish](#)

For any questions or more information, contact Amber Brown (AmberBrown@asphn.org)

Welcome to Year 5!

ASPHN is very excited to announce that we we have received our notice of award to continue the WIC Developmental Monitoring Project for year 5. We are very happy that we will be able to continue this great work for another year.

During Year 5, we will continue to provide support to our Technical Assistance states as well as look for states interested in receiving funding and more individualized TA to implement LTSAE in their WIC clinics. If your state is interested in receiving funding during year 5 or know of a state that may be interest, please let AmberBrown@asphn.org know.

We hope that all of our TA states will continue being a part of this project in Year 5. If you are not interested in continuing in year 5, please email AmberBrown@asphn.org.

End of Year 4 Survey!

To wrap things up for Year 4, ASPHN sent an end-of-year survey to each of the TA states. If you haven't filled it out yet, we'd appreciate your input: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LFFXQNH>

Sample Act Early Newsletter from MA WIC

During our June Networking call, Massachusetts WIC shared that they had created an Act Early newsletter for their WIC staff. We have heard from a number of states who would like a copy of this newsletter so we are sharing it with you all here. This is a wonderful resource for WIC staff.

[Sample Newsletter from MA](#)

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!

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