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Monthly Update: WIC Developmental Monitoring Project



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Upcoming Events

- **November 29th, 11 am ET:**
*Motivational Interviewing *Note updated date due to Thanksgiving*
- **December 18th, 11 am ET:**
*Networking Call *Note updated date due to the holidays.*

Register in advance:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUlce6vpjwoG9RyWi9A3BmuVF3FJj5jsvXy>

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



We Are Thankful for You!

During this time of thanksgiving, ASPHN would like to say thank you for all the wonderful work you do! We wish to acknowledge and thank you for your tireless work and expertise.

Thank you for engaging in this project and providing developmental monitoring and education about developmental milestones to your participants. We really appreciate you being a part of this project given the many issues you face in your day-to-day work in WIC. You all are making a big difference in many children's lives. We are here to help and hope to add value to the important work you are already doing!



Highlighting a Resource

[Online Implementation Guide for WIC Program Staff](#)

CDC has an entire guide geared towards the implementation of developmental monitoring (DM) in the WIC program. This guide includes everything you need to know to implement DM in your WIC clinics. CDC also just recently updated this guide to include virtual options for promoting DM.

Within the implementation guide, there are resources for both state staff and local agency staff. In the implementation guide you will find information on:

1. What developmental monitoring is and how to monitor development.
2. The 3 components of the WIC model (Environmental graphics, administering the checklists, and making a referral)
3. Recommended tracking procedures.
4. Tools and templates for implementation.
5. Supplementary activities to promote developmental monitoring.

A couple of helpful resources I'd like to highlight that are located in the implementation guide are the [Implementation Checklist for WIC Clinics](#) and the [Implementation Checklist for WIC State Agencies](#). Using these checklists will help ensure that you have a successful implementation.

[Access CDC's Online Implementation Guide for WIC Program Staff](#)

Congratulations to our Intensive (Funded) States for the Year 5 Extension

ASPHN is so excited to announce that we have awarded 4 states as Intensive States to receive funding (in the form of materials) and technical assistance to implement LTSAE in a few of their WIC clinics. The 4 Intensive (funded) States are:

- Arkansas
- Louisiana

- New Jersey
- North Dakota

All 4 states had strong applications and we are excited to work with them over the coming months!

If you would like to hear more about what each state has in store, please [watch the recording of our October Training here.](#)

Welcome, New and Returning Technical Assistance States!

We have 2 new states joining us as Technical Assistance States for the year 5 Extension of the WIC Developmental Monitoring Project. The new states are:

- Missouri
- Guam

We are also excited that all of the states from year 4 will be returning:

- Arkansas, Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Iowa, Indiana, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Maine, Maryland, Montana, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Wisconsin and West Virginia

Welcome to all the states in the project! We are excited to get things going for the year 5 Extension!

Did You Miss Our October Online Training? Check Out the Recording Below

Topic: Year 5 Extension Kick-Off Call

Description: Find out what's in store for the Year 5 Extension of the WIC Developmental Monitoring Project. We introduced our Year 5 Extension Intensive States and they each shared what they have planned for this year. We also introduced our new and returning Technical Assistance states.

Recording Link: <https://vimeo.com/877962813?share=copy>

[Click Here for a Copy of the Slides](#)

[Click Here to View the Recording](#)

Networking Questions!

During the Year 5 Extension, we will be doing more networking calls. Please send me any questions or topics that you are interested in talking with other states about. Please email amberbrown@asphn.org with your suggestions!

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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