

HMG THIS MONTH

Ohio Help Me Grow Monthly Update

June 2015

Home Visiting

SFY 15 contract amendment & SFY 16 contracts have been finalized and distributed. Please contact your program consultant if you have not received your contract.

Proof of payment of affiliation fees. The other requirements for the deliverable are to be reported on your next Quarterly Program Report due 7/15/15.

All training hours will be pulled from OPR by ODH, no invoice required from programs.

**If a provider terminated their contract with ODH they will be paid deliverable 1.06, item 8, b. 8. (affiliation fees) as long as fees were paid while contract was still effective. Deliverable 1.06, Item 2, a. 2. (training hours) will be paid for trainings completed during the quarters while contract effective.*

- The HV TA Call is scheduled for 6/28 at 9am. Topics for the call:
 - Safety for Home Visitors



Central Coordination

On behalf of Director Richard Hodges and the entire Ohio Department of Health, I would like to extend my appreciation for your willingness to partner with Help Me Grow this coming fiscal year. As you may know, the Department has undergone some rather significant transformations that we believe will serve to enhance our ability to protect and improve the health of all Ohioans. While these changes will significantly increase our capacity to seek optimal health for Ohio's prenatal to age three population, we have run into some unavoidable glitches with some processes within Help Me Grow. Accordingly, I would like to take this opportunity to apologize for the unavoidable delay in the issuance of new HMG CC contracts. Please know that our staff are working as quickly as possible to expedite the process and deliver your contracts as soon as possible. It is the intent of the HMG program to issue contracts reflecting the allocation table that has been published and posted on our website. Again, my sincere apologies for the delay. Please feel free to contact me directly jye.breckenridge@odh.ohio with any questions or further concerns.



Training & Professional Development

- OhioTrain listings & upcoming dates

Training listings are current through the end of the current State Fiscal Year (June 30, 2015). The new training bulletin with SFY16 training dates and locations will be posted this afternoon.

Early Intervention

Service Coordinator Agency Changes

- As we approach the beginning of a new fiscal year, we are aware that a number of service coordination agencies will be changing on July 1. Please remember that the change of either a service coordinator or a service coordination agency requires prior written notice and a review of the IFSP. Thus, even if a family's service coordinator is staying the same and only the SC's agency is changing, prior written notice and a review are still required.
- Service coordinator/agency changes must also be documented in Early Track.

Be sure that the new agency appears in the Master Agency List. If it does not, submit a request to ETDS to have it added.

Associate the relevant service coordinators with the new agency.

Reassign each relevant child record to the new service coordinator by clicking the "New" button on the Service Coordinator tab and selecting the new service coordinator from the dropdown.

If you have any program questions, please follow up with your TA consultant. If you have Early Track questions, please contact ETDS@odh.ohio.gov.

Service Coordinator Manual

- ODH and DODD are working together to create a manual for service coordinators. The manual will cover all aspects of the service coordinator's responsibilities. It will include relevant rule references, screenshots and explanations of how to enter data into Early Track, and tips for what should be in the record for monitoring purposes. We anticipate having a draft available to pilot with a small group of counties by the end of July prior to distribution to the entire field in the autumn. If you are interested in piloting/reviewing the manual, please contact your ODH TA consultant.

County Determinations/APR reports

- County-level APR and determination reports were sent to counties last month. If you have any questions about your data, contact Taylor Hammond, Early Intervention Researcher, at taylor.hammond@odh.ohio.gov

Training Requirement Reminders

- Ohio's Individualized Family Service Plan (1054646): Required for EI Supervisors and Service Coordinators (who did not attend the 3-hour, in-person training in Fall 2014), effective 1-15-15. Register on OhioTrain (step 1); then register on GoToWebinar: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6148448497077415426> (step 2). All sessions are conducted via facilitated webinar, 9 am – noon. Training dates: 7-9-15, 8-13-15, 9-10-15, 10-8-15
- Battelle (1009401) and Bayley (1009447): The next Battelle training will be 9-24-15 in Cuyahoga County. The next Bayley training will be 9-30-15 in Franklin County. As a reminder, you may request and extension for taking the Battelle and Bayley in order to receive your credential in a timely manner. It is expected that you will take the next available training in your region.

Save the Date



think for two

Join us to learn about critical issues facing women and children in our community.

September 10 • 8am - 5pm
The Nutter Center - Berry Room

Topics include:

- Infant mortality
- Epidemiology of women and addiction
- Prenatal/postnatal consequences of prenatal alcohol and substance use
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders/
Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
- Prenatal alcohol and drug exposure of the growing child
- Behavioral management of the prenatally exposed child

Don't Miss It!

- Breakfast and lunch included
- Nationally known Pediatrician Ira Chasnoff, MD, plus three great speakers
- Premiere screening of the film...Moment to Moment
- Highlighting new coalition website: ThinkforTwo.org

Registration brochure coming in July - for more info e-mail: lclark@phdmc.org



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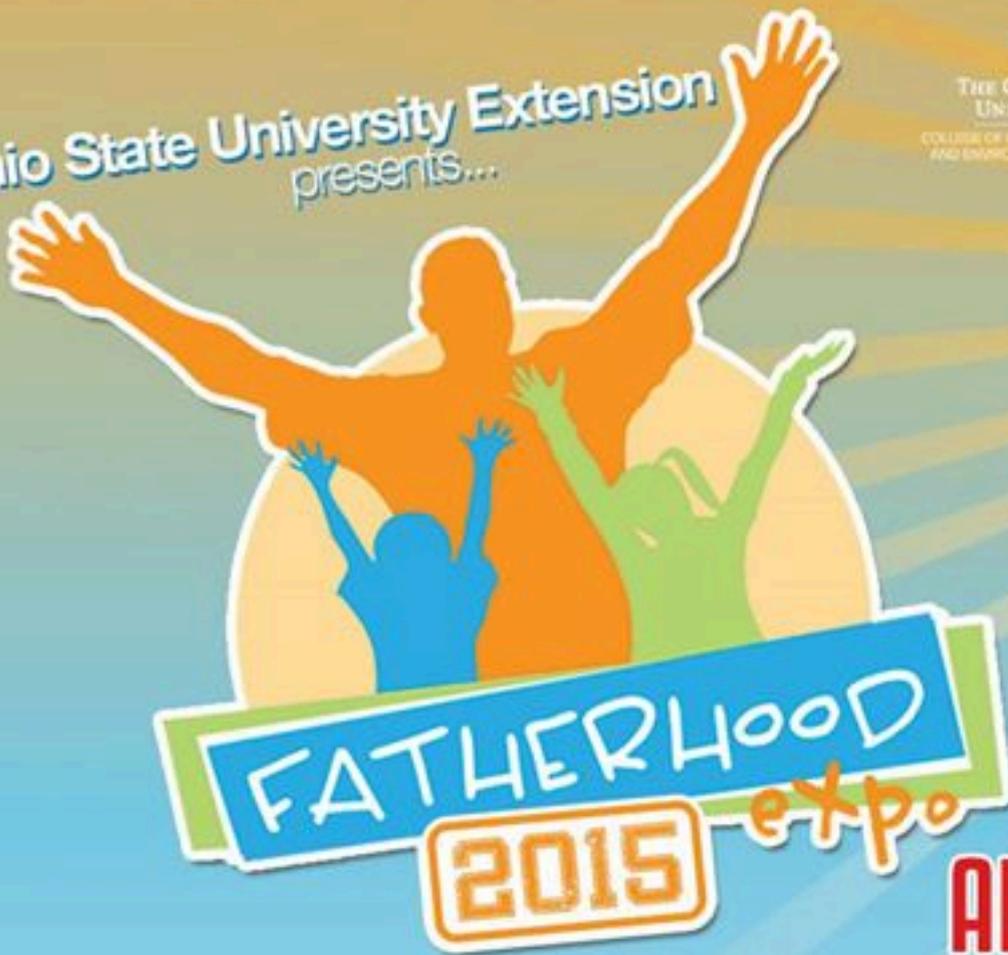
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School of
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CE's are pending for social workers, psychologist, physicians and nurses.

Ohio State University Extension
presents...



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**SCHOENBAUM
FAMILY CENTER**

Connected to
Weinland Park
Elementary

175 East 7th Avenue
Columbus, OH 43201

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FREE!!

SATURDAY
06.20.15

FATHERHOOD EXPO
10:00am – 6:00pm

FATHERHOOD EXPO EVENT KICKOFF!
10:00am – 10:30am

**“EVOLUTION of FATHERHOOD™”
MARKET PLACE / VENDOR FAIR**

10:00am – 6:00pm

- Health Pavilion
- Family Fun Zone
- “Help Desk” Ask The Expert!
- “State of The Family Union: Town Hall Meeting™”

**“D.A.D.D.S. ROCK!™” TALENT
SHOWCASE**

4:30pm – 6:00pm

SUNDAY
06.21.15

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

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10:00am – 5:00pm

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ALL PRO DAD® FATHER'S DAY PICNIC
1:00pm – 4:00pm

**FATHERHOOD EXPO CLOSING
CEREMONIES!**

4:30pm – 5:00pm

Join us on Social Media: FatherhoodExpo





Ohio Institute for Equity in Birth Outcomes

About the Ohio Equity Institute

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) and CityMatCH are partnering with nine (9) Ohio communities to improve overall birth outcomes and reduce the racial and ethnic disparities in infant mortality. Ohio ranks near the bottom of U.S. state rates in overall infant mortality and Black infant mortality. This is unacceptable.

CityMatCH is a national membership organization that supports urban MCH efforts at the local level and whose mission is “to strengthen public health leaders and organizations to promote equity and improve the health of urban women, families and communities”. Based on the model and the work being done in the existing Institute for Equity in Birth Outcomes - a W. K. Kellogg-funded CityMatCH initiative – 9 participating communities across the state will make up the Ohio Institute for Equity in Birth Outcomes (Ohio Equity Institute).

The Ohio Equity Institute is an initiative designed by CityMatCH to strengthen the scientific focus and evidence base for realizing equity in birth outcomes. The Institute is a data-driven, high-visibility movement by 9 urban Ohio communities. During a three-year span, these communities will participate and receive training to support them as they select, implement, and evaluate equity-focused projects.

This effort marks the first time that CityMatCH has planned to reduce the disparities in birth outcomes in so many cities in a single state at the same time. This effort has real potential to become a template for other states to spur our national collective success in making measureable reductions in birth outcome inequities. The nation is watching.

Ohio Equity Institute Cohort

Butler County ♦ Canton – Stark County ♦ Cincinnati ♦ Columbus ♦ Cuyahoga County – Cleveland ♦ Mahoning County – Youngstown ♦ Montgomery County – Dayton ♦ Summit County ♦ Toledo - Lucas County

The Strategy

Our challenge is to assess local capacity, examine local data, design and implement an equity project, and demonstrate the evidence base for local interventions that reduce inequities in birth outcomes. Ohio Equity Institute teams will work together and with experts in the fields of public health, epidemiology, birth outcomes, health inequities, and evaluation to accomplish the following two main tasks:

1. Complete the Equity Institute Curriculum with its 5 Major Topics

- Race, Racism, and Inequities in Birth Outcomes in the U.S.
- Epidemiology of Birth Outcomes and Racial Disparities
- Evidence-Based Interventions for Vulnerable Populations
- Leadership
- Evaluation

2. Consider, Design and Implement a Local Equity Project

Through the combination of strategies shown to improve birth outcome disparities (ex. 17P, birth spacing, safe sleep, etc.), and data-driven decisions specific to the target populations in each community, teams will engage in two local equity projects aimed at reducing the disparity in birth outcomes. One project will employ upstream strategies, and one project will employ downstream strategies. Teams will receive technical assistance as they consider their capacity, and design and implement their project.

Through face-to-face Equity Institute Trainings, monthly calls and webinars, online curriculum components, mentoring relationships with experts, and topical technical assistance, Ohio Equity Institute teams will arrive at a final summit where they will share their process and results and add to the equity evidence base.

	Ohio Institute for Equity in Birth Outcomes Value Propositions
1. Clear Compelling Data to Garner Support and Drive Practice	CityMatCH is a data-centric organization and believes data should drive public health practice. CityMatCH staff is partnering with Ohio data experts to develop a brief that will highlight local data across all 9 participating communities in the Ohio Equity Institute.
2. Maternal and Child Health Systems Review, Improvements and Additions	CityMatCH will assist each participating community in a review of their current MCH systems. This top-to-bottom review will be aimed at improving and augmenting capacity to make our shared goal of measurable reductions in birth outcome inequities possible in every participating community. CityMatCH will provide this assistance directly or through national experts.
3. “Downstream” Project Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation Support	Once MCH systems are fine-tuned, CityMatCH will provide a data-driven review of available strategies for reducing birth outcome inequities. CityMatCH staff has subdivided these strategies into two tiers based on the evidence of effectiveness. Detailed calculations regarding poor outcomes averted and cost savings will be provided for each strategy. Technical assistance will help each community create a logic model, implementation plan, and evaluation protocols. CityMatCH has retained the University of Kansas’ Work Group for Community Health and Development—creators of the Community Toolbox—to provide expert evaluation support.
4. “Upstream” Project Planning and Implementation Support	Birth outcome inequities exist due to unfair differences in the social determinants of health. Until we see equity in housing, education, economics, health care, vocation, transportation and so on, health disparities will persist. These “upstream” issues tend to take longer, require broader coalitions, and have impacts that are difficult to quantify. Yet, they remain the ultimate solution. CityMatCH will assist each community in the planning and implementation of one major “upstream” initiative.
5. National Dissemination	CityMatCH plans to work with each community to create “Project Launch Reports”. These reports will be published by CityMatCH as soon as each community is ready to implement their “downstream” project, and will highlight local data, detail the project itself, and outline the expected outcomes. These reports will then be disseminated nationally to our partners and handed out at conferences where CityMatCH is invited to speak. Additionally, at the close of the three-year initiative, we will host an Ohio Equity Summit that will feature the teams’ projects and outcomes along with other nationally known speakers. The national Maternal and Child Health community will be invited, and Ohio’s successes will be put on display.

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