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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** October 26, 2017

**TO:** Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

**Public School Academy Directors** 

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**SUBJECT:** The Michigan Model for Early Childhood Health

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), in collaboration with the Michigan Department of Education, announces the release of the *Michigan Model for Early Childhood Health*<sup>TM</sup>, a module of the *Michigan Model for Health*<sup>TM</sup> curriculum. The module is divided into four units: Social and Emotional Health, Nutrition and Physical Activity, Safety, and Personal Health and Wellness. Each unit contains a set of activities for students, as well as Family Resource Sheets for every activity. The activities are aligned to Michigan's Early Learning Expectations and the National Health Education Standards, the Social, Emotional and Physical Health and Development (SEP) section of Michigan's Early Childhood Standards of Quality for Pre-kindergarten (ECSQ-PK), and HighScope's Preschool Program Quality Assessment (PQA).

Early Childhood educators will be provided training and technical assistance on the *Michigan Model for Early Childhood Health*<sup>TM</sup> module through the School Health Coordinator for their region. For a list of School Health Coordinators and their regions, visit  $\underline{\text{www.mishca.org/where}}$ .

For more information about the *Michigan Model for Early Childhood Health*<sup>™</sup> module, including ordering information, visit the Michigan Model for Health Clearinghouse website at www.mmhclearinghouse.org.

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