

MIHP Biweekly Update

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Maternal Infant Health Program

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Reminder: June COP Webinar

The June Community of Practice webinar will be on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 9:00am - 10:30am. The topic WIC: New Food Package and Other Updates, presented by Sara Heidenreich from the MDHHS WIC office.

[CLICK HERE to register for the June COP Webinar!](#)



Access to Introduction to Health Equity and Systemic Racism Training Courses

The **Introduction to Health Equity** and **Systemic Racism** courses are no longer self-enrollable in the [miHealth Public LMS](#) and will not appear in the Course Catalog; however, both are still available by demand and continue to be a requirement for MIHP staff. To obtain access to the course(s), email elearning@mphi.org. Access will be granted immediately. The Michigan Office of Transformation, Engagement, and Community Health (MI-TEaCH) will continue to offer relevant and free educational materials to the public.

Additional directions have been added to the "Required Training for New, Waiver, Office and Backup Staff" document to help support this change.

Badge Buddy Requests

MDHHS MIHP has had the opportunity to distribute the following Badge Buddies at various in-person events. These resources easily attach to a lanyard and contain QR codes for helpful information.

1. **Maternal Warning Sign Badge Buddies:** Provides a link for providers and a link for families with information about urgent maternal warning signs and when to seek medical attention.
2. **Michigan Home Visiting Badge Buddies:** Provides a link to the Home Visiting section of the Michigan 2-1-1 webpage as well as links to MIBridges and the Pregnancy+ app.
 1. These are currently being distributed during the 2025 May Coordinator Meetings; ten badge buddies are included in every clear packet that was provided during sign-in.

If more of these badge buddies are necessary to support the number of MIHP staff at your agency, please send a request to the MIHP inbox as described below.

Subject: Badge Buddy Request

Include within the body of the email:

- Type of Badge Buddy Requested:
- MIHP Agency Name:
- Number of badge buddies requested:
- Shipping address:
- Any feedback about the badges used thus far (if applicable):

Thank you,

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Count the Kicks Free Training Opportunity

This is an invitation from our partners at the Count the Kicks (CTK) initiative to learn more about powerful new initiatives designed to improve maternal and infant health outcomes in your community and state.

What You'll Learn:

CTK Champion Program

Be a voice for change! Discover how your team can receive personalized training to become **Count the Kicks Champions**. Champions will be equipped to lead local education and awareness efforts about the importance of fetal movement monitoring.

Changes in Fetal Movement (CFM) Patterns Course

This course, in partnership with **AWHONN** (Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses), equips healthcare professionals with practical tools to recognize and respond to changes in fetal movement, helping prevent stillbirths and improve outcomes.

Who Should Attend:

- Labor & Delivery Nurses
- OB/GYNs & Midwives
- Public Health Professionals
- WIC & Home Visiting Staff
- Hospital Education & Policy Teams
- Community Health Workers
- Maternal Health Advocates
- Doula and Childbirth Educators

We will discuss other innovative products, such as our new Antepartum Bundle! Join our Programming Team to learn more about bringing these lifesaving products, trainings, and education to your team today!

All attendees will be entered for a chance to win a \$50 Amazon gift card!

June 11th at 1:00 p.m. EST

[Register here](#)

We hope you'll join us to learn how you can help make a difference for the families you serve.

The Count the Kicks program teaches expectant parents a simple method to become familiar with their baby's normal movement patterns in the third trimester of pregnancy and is proven to improve birth outcomes for moms and babies.



Time

Start a timer and record the time it takes for you to feel 10 movements.



Count

Pick a time when baby is active to start counting, preferably the same time every day.



Pattern

After each day's counting session, compare that time with your past sessions.



Contact

Go to the hospital if you notice a change in your baby's movement patterns.

Substance Use Part 2: A Collaborative Approach to Supporting Families training

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Now is the time to register for the Substance Use Part 2: A Collaborative Approach to Supporting Families training. In this session you will hear a Peer Navigator share their lived experience and have the opportunity to network, ask questions, and share in a case study discussion.

Register Now! <https://forms.office.com/r/Sms5MqSnqz>

When: Wednesday, June 11, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time

Where: The training will be held virtually using Zoom. Participants who register will receive an email that includes a calendar hold and link to the meeting prior to the training session. Once capacity is met registrants will be placed on a waiting list.

Cost: Free

Registration Questions: Contact Angie Pearcy at apearcy@mphi.org or 989-439-5967

Join Our National FREE Community of Practice for Home Visiting Supervisors!



Calling All Home Visiting Supervisors!

Are you looking for an opportunity to build connections with peers, share innovative practices, and engage in a space focused on your professional growth?

Click Here for the Interest Form!

The Institute for Home Visiting Workforce Development is launching a free Community of Practice (CoP) dedicated to Supporting and Retaining a Thriving Home Visiting Workforce.

This Community of Practice is designed specifically for home visiting supervisors to come together, share real-life challenges, exchange ideas, and strengthen supervision and leadership skills.

Who Should Join?

Up to 60 home visiting supervisors from across the U.S., including all states, territories, Tribal communities, and across all program models and funding sources—regardless of years of experience.

What to expect?

Each year we will take a deep-dive focus on a key topic related to workforce retention and well-being. For this year we are asking for attendance at six virtual meetings (1 hour each), held every other month on the 2nd Wednesday, from 2–3 PM ET:

- July 9, 2025
- Sept 10, 2025
- Nov 12, 2025
- Jan 14, 2026
- Mar 11, 2026
- May 13, 2026

Peer-to-peer learning, resource sharing, and national networking opportunities will be provided!

Ready to join?

Please submit your interest form by June 3, 2025, close of business.
Selected participants will be notified by June 13, 2025.

Questions about the interest form? Reach out to Amanda Costello at acostello@startearly.org

Upcoming State of Michigan (SOM) Holidays

June 19
July 4
September 1
November 11
November 27 and 28
December 24 and 25
December 31

Previously Released MIHP Updates

To review any previously released MIHP Biweekly Updates, they can be found by [visiting the MIHP webpage Michigan.gov/MIHP](http://Michigan.gov/MIHP).

Biweekly Update Topic Submission

If you have suggestions for topics to be addressed in future additions of the MIHP Biweekly Update, [please submit your ideas here](#).

MDHHS Publications

[Sign up here to receive program updates and communications.](#)

Coordinator Directory

Please click here to access the most recent Coordinator Directory. [MIHP Coordinator Directory](#)

Our communication for the Maternal Infant Health Program has been streamlined to a single email address and phone number. Please forward all emails to MIHP@michigan.gov. For further assistance, contact the state office @ **1-833-MI4-MIHP (1-833-644-6447)**. Thank you.