

MIHP Biweekly Update

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Health Plan HV Referral Policy Comments Due

Public comments on the proposed Medicaid Health Plan Home Visiting Referral Requirements are due on Tuesday, December 20th. Please review the attached policy and consider offering your comments on this important policy change.

[HV Referral Proposed Policy.pdf](#)

Medicaid Coverage of Doula Services

The Medicaid Policy Bulletin on coverage of doula services is attached. It establishes coverage criteria for services, effective January 1, 2023. This important policy change will have positive implications for MIHP agencies and the families they serve.

[Medicaid Doula Policy.pdf](#)

Updated Booster for Infants and Young Children

CDC has expanded the use of bivalent COVID-19 vaccines for **children ages 6 months through 5 years**. Find the detailed [recommendations here](#).

When and where will they be available?

Shipments of bivalent vaccines (Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna) for those 6 months through 5 years began as early as Monday, December 12, across the country and in Michigan. **This week**, the vaccines will be available at thousands of provider practices, pharmacies, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC), local health departments, clinics, and other locations.

Michiganders can contact their doctor, nurse, local pharmacy or health department, or visit [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) for additional information and to schedule an appointment. Co-administration of COVID-19 bivalent vaccine with other vaccines, such as flu, is strongly encouraged at the same visit.

The need for vaccine conversations and supporting access

The vast majority of children in this age group have not received any doses of a COVID-19 vaccine. CDC is working to increase parent and provider confidence in COVID-19 vaccines and improve uptake among the 95% of children who are not vaccinated or who have not completed the COVID-19 vaccine primary series.

When working with families, talk with parents/guardians about their child's immunization record and to ensure they are up to date on their COVID-19 and other vaccines. Find resources at the [MDHHS Kids COVID Vaccine](#) website or [CDC's Resources to Promote COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Teens](#).

Infant Safe Sleep Brochure - New Language Translations Available

The *Baby, We've Got Your Back* brochure is now available in Dari, Nepali, and Pashto. You can access the new translations, as well as brochures in Arabic, Bengali, Burmese, Kinyarwanda, French, Spanish, and Swahili, on the [Baby, We've Got Your Back Resources page](#).

Good night. Sleep tight. Sleep safe.

Learn more about the safest way for babies to sleep at michigan.gov/safesleep



Learning Resources

MSU Extension January Offerings

MSU Extension has a wide range of free online classes for parents and caregivers of children of all ages and early childhood professionals. See below for January offerings!

Please reach out to your local Extension office or [find a Child and Family Development team member near you!](#)

Follow our Facebook page for more information and resources at [MI Stronger Family - MSU Extension](#).

Extension Extra's Parenting Hour

These free online parenting workshops will provide guidance for parents of young children as they navigate the challenges, concerns, and joys of parenting. Participants may register for as few or as many workshops as they wish. The workshops are on Tuesday evenings from 8:00 to 9:30PM EST as follows:

Class dates:

1/3/23: Positive Discipline **1/10/23: The Resilience Toolbox**

1/17/23: What Children Need to Know to Start School

1/24/23: Talking With Kids About Race

1/31/23: Mindfully Feeding Infants and Toddlers

- **Class Times:** 8:00PM to 9:30PM
- Attached are flyers for [t3-What Children Need to Know online 1-17.pdf](#) these workshops and graphics for social media
- For more information contact Courtney Aldrich at aldric82@msu.edu

Parenting Series

The Parent Talk System

Do you feel like your children aren't listening to you? Finding yourself constantly repeating yourself trying to gain compliance? This 6 week series is for parents of children of all ages and is designed to improve communication and provide practical verbal strategies for raising confident, caring, responsible children. Topics include eliminating unwanted behavior, setting limits, teaching about consequences, giving effective feedback, promoting independence, and developing character. Certificates of attendance are available.

- **Class dates:** January 23, January 30, February 6, February 13, February 20, February 27
- **Class times:** 8:00-9:30pm EST
- Attached is a flyer and graphics for social media
- For more information, contact Courtney Aldrich, aldric82@msu.edu

Guiding Principles for Highly Successful Parenting

Are you wondering how to gain greater cooperation from your children? Struggling with chores or routines? Not sure how to handle discipline issues? Join us for this five week parenting education series for parents with children of all ages will explore developing routines, emotional control, rules and relationships, and being a calm, assertive parent. Certificates of attendance are available.

- Class dates: January 5, January 12, January 19, January 26, February 2
- Class Times: 7:30pm-9pm EST
- Attached is a flyer and graphics for social media
- For more information contact Courtney Aldrich at aldric82@msu.edu

Early Childhood Professional Development Classes

These free online classes provide professional development training hours for early childhood professionals. Credit in the MiRegistry system is available.

Title: Purpose of Play

- **Class Date:** January 19th
- **Class Time:** 7:00PM to 8:30PM
- Attached is a flyer for this workshop.
- For more information contact Vivian Washington at washi138@msu.edu

Title: ABC's of Early Literacy

- **Class Date:** January 27th
- **Class Time:** 1:00PM to 2:30PM
- Attached is a flyer for this workshop.
- For more information contact Vivian Washington at washi138@msu.edu

Online Self-Paced Classes

These free online classes can be completed on your own at your own pace.

Positive Discipline

Helping young children learn self-control is important to their ability to be successful citizens now and in the future. Positive Discipline workshops help adults learn how their role in creating appropriate environments and experiences can strengthen that development. This class has a “parent and caregiver” track and a “professional” track. Certificates of attendance are available for all who take the class and professional development training hours are available for early childhood professionals. Credit in the MiRegistry system is available.

- For more information contact Courtney Aldrich at aldric82@msu.edu

Infant Safety

MSU Extension has partnered with the [Livingston County Child Abuse Prevention Council](#) to create a self-directed online infant safety course called “Sleeping, Crying, Driving.” This three part course contains videos and interactive content on infant safe sleep, how to handle extended infant crying and guidelines for transporting your child safely. A certificate of completion is available for those who need proof of attendance.

MI Parenting Resource

This free, online program is meant to support caregivers across the state in strengthening their parent-child relationships and gaining new tools for enhancing positive child behaviors.

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[1-Positive Discipline online 1-3.pdf](#)

[2-Resilience 1-10.pdf](#)

[3-What Children Need to Know online 1-17.pdf](#)

[4-Talking with Kids about Race 1-24.pdf](#)

[5-Mindfully Feeding Infants and Toddlers 1-31.pdf](#)

[6-Parent Talk flyer Jan-Feb.pdf](#)

[7-Guiding Principles flyer Jan webinar.pdf](#)

[8-Purpose of Play online 1.19.23.pdf](#)

[9-Extension Extras Flyer-ABCs of Early Literacy Jan 2023.pdf](#)

Perinatal and Early Childhood Oral Health Training

Perinatal and Early Childhood Oral Health in Michigan: A Practical Guide for Home Visiting

Thursday, January 19, 2023
9:00 – 10:00 am

Join Emily Norrix and Heather Beavers for an engaging webinar on the oral health landscape in Michigan and practical considerations when assisting clients and their children in addressing oral health needs. Participants will delve into recent Michigan oral health data specific to their geographic region and receive the latest updates on Medicaid coverage and oral health related topics, as well as an overview of perinatal and early childhood related oral health conditions. Attendees will leave with an increased oral health knowledge as well as tool and resources for helping their clients access oral health care in Michigan. **There is no fee for this virtual training.**

Click here to register: <https://www.eventsquid.com/event/18554>

To obtain nursing or social work continuing education for this training, please register using either the Nursing Registration or Social Worker Registration profile from the drop down menu in Event Squid. If you are not a nurse or social worker, please use General Registration and you will receive a certificate of attendance after completion of the training.

Upcoming State of Michigan (SOM) Holidays

December

23rd and 26th SOM Holiday Christmas Break
30th and Jan 2nd SOM Holiday New Years Break

Look for the next issue of the MIHP Biweekly Update on Tuesday, January 3rd.



Previously Released MIHP Updates

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

Bi-Weekly Update Topic Submission

If you have suggestions for topics to be addressed in future additions of the MIHP Weekly 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.](#)

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.