

MIHP Biweekly Update

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Risk Identifier Billing Clarification

The April 11th Biweekly Update clarified that an MRI or IRI must be entered into the MIHP database prior to proving professional visits to a beneficiary. It is no longer required that the RI be *billed* prior. There are times when submitting a claim for a risk identifier is not feasible (e.g., beneficiary recently moved, change in MHP coverage, etc.). If the RI is not billed, please make a note on the Contact Log.

Updated MIHP Overview Training Module

MDHHS MIHP is pleased to announce that an updated version of the training module “Overview of the Maternal Infant Health Program” is now available! This course is available via the [MIHealth](#) training website.

As a reminder, the Overview module is a required training for all MIHP providers but those who have already completed the previous version are not required to complete the updated version. However, providers and partners are certainly welcome and encouraged to review the content as a refresher and as a means of understanding the updates made. Key updates include:

- A shortened length of the course
 - Content was made more succinct and refers to the locating the most up to date resources online
- MDHHS MIHP mission and vision
- Enhancement of inclusive language used
- Sections dedicated to “Why Become an MIHP Provider?” and “Benefits for Families”
 - Featuring quotes from MIHP providers regarding what it means to be a home visitor/provider and the benefits for families
 - Thank you to all providers who submitted feedback! While the module highlights a limited number of quotes received, they are powerful reminders of this work. Remaining quotes that were received but not used in the module may indeed be used in other areas focused on promoting MIHP and the benefits of home visiting.
- Information regarding the MDHHS Home Visiting Initiative and the Mother Infant Health and Equity and Improvement Plan (MIHEIP)
- An interactive component, “Care Coordination in Action” which features dialogue that emphasizes coordination of resources and promoting vaccine confidence among families served by MIHP.

Infant Safe Sleep Awareness Month

October is [Infant Safe Sleep Awareness Month](#) in Michigan. You can help raise awareness by posting to your social media accounts. Post these weekly messages during the month of October.

Week 1 (October 1-8) Follow #safesleep practices by placing baby to sleep on their back to help reduce the risk of sleep-related infant death. Back to sleep for EVERY sleep. #SafeSleepMonth #SIDSAwarenessMonth #MIMoves4SafeSleep

Week 2 (October 9-15) A firm, flat mattress in a clutter-free crib, bassinet or pack n' play will reduce your baby's risk of sleep-related infant death. Nothing but baby for EVERY sleep. #safesleep #CleartheCribChallenge #MIMoves4SafeSleep

Week 3 (October 16-22) Room sharing helps reduce the risk of sleep-related infant death. Put baby in a #safesleep space (their own crib, bassinet or pack n' play) next to your bed. Baby's own sleep space for EVERY sleep. #MIMoves4SafeSleep #SafeSleepMonth

Week 4 (October 23-31) Breastfeeding reduces the risk of sleep-related causes of infant death. If you bring baby into your bed to #breastfeed, be sure to follow #safesleep practices when finished. Move baby to a safe sleep space EVERYTIME you breastfeed. #SafeToSleep

More Posts Do you want to post more than once a week? Share the safe sleep videos from the Charlie's Kids Foundation by using these [sample posts](#). The videos now include how to get more information on infant safe sleep from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Virtual 5K Your Way Don't forget to join Michigan's Infant Safe Sleep Action Team for the [first Infant Safe Sleep Awareness Month Virtual 5K Your Way](#). You can participate anytime during the month of October 2022 and share your activity on social media using the hashtag #MIMoves4safesleep.

If you have any questions about infant safe sleep, please contact the Infant Safe Sleep Program at MDHHS-InfantSafeSleep@michigan.gov or go to Michigan.gov/SafeSleep.



Monkeypox Update

The MDHHS Bureau of HIV and STI Programs has been collaborating to support communication, vaccination, and testing across the state for monkeypox (MPV). As a reminder, case counts and Michigan specific MPV information can be found online at [Michigan.gov/MPV](https://www.michigan.gov/MPV). Please see some important resources and information below:

- [CDC Health Alert Network - Severe Manifestations of Monkeypox among People who are Immunocompromised Due to HIV or Other Conditions](#)
- [Michigan Monkeypox Epi Data](#) - newly released dashboard with epi data on Michigan cases and vaccinations.
- [CDC Social Media Posts](#) - please share on your organization's social channels.
- [CDC Monkeypox Vaccine Equity Toolkit](#)

Flu Vaccine Resources – Pregnancy and Infancy

Infants and pregnant people are at [increased risk of serious flu complications](#), but flu vaccine is available to help protect against infection and severe illness. **Everyone 6 months and older should receive their flu vaccine by the end of October.**

Unfortunately, flu vaccination coverage for pregnant people was lower at the end of March 2022 compared with the end of March 2021. Disparities were also noted, with the [lowest vaccination rate being among non-Hispanic Black pregnant people](#). Below are resources to promote the importance of vaccination among pregnant people, infants, and their families. As a reminder, flu vaccines can be given at the same time as other vaccines, including the new COVID-19 bivalent booster!

- [Video: 2 Protects 2 - Protect Yourself, Protect Your Baby - Get Vaccinated!](#)
 - Features pregnant and recently pregnant persons
- [#HowIRecommend Video Series](#)
 - Healthcare providers offering tips on communicating about vaccines
- [Families Fighting Flu](#)
 - Download or order **free** handouts, toolkits, stickers, bookmarks, and more!
- [MDHHS Clearinghouse](#)
 - Order **free** handouts and brochures!
 - Handouts available specifically for pregnant people (flu and Tdap)
- [Video: Alana's Story](#)
 - A Michigan child died of the flu at just 4 years old; this story serves as a reminder that it is not “just the flu” – it is a deadly illness.
- [Flu Vaccine Campaign Toolkit | CDC](#)
 - Social media, print resources, video, infographics and more
- [Vaccines.gov](#)
 - Find vaccines near you (flu vaccines and COVID-19 vaccines)

Webinar on Postpartum Psychosis

Postpartum Support International (PSI) is offering a free webinar: "Slaying the Monstrous Misconceptions about Postpartum Psychosis," on October 20th from 12:30pm - 2:00pm. It is a roundtable webinar for media, clinicians, family members and the general public. Presented by advocates with lived expertise of postpartum psychosis, and moderated by PSI Executive Director Wendy Davis, PhD, PMH-C; this is a collaborative effort by PSI Postpartum Psychosis Task Force, Cherished Mom, and PPP Awareness Day.

[Click here to register](#)

Behavioral Health Training Opportunities

ImprovingMIpractices.org (IMP) [Home | Improving Mi Practices](#) is a unique website that is dedicated specifically to support and assist people who work in and provide behavioral health services to adults with serious mental illness, children with serious emotional disturbances, individuals who have an intellectual or developmental disability, and individuals with a substance abuse disorder.

This free, high-quality material is the result of collaborative efforts to provide accessible online and blended courses, a behavioral health encyclopedia, and other resources helpful to behavioral health providers. Available within the site is a wide range of new and continuing education tools intended to raise awareness and to support the recovery efforts of individuals and families facing the challenges of mental illness and substance abuse disorders.



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Previously Released MIHP Updates

To review any previously released MIHP Weekly Updates, they can be found by [visiting the MIHP webpage 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

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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 email to MIHP@michigan.gov. For further assistance, contact the state office @ **1-833-MI4-MIHP (1-833-644-6447)**. Thank you.