

## MIHP Biweekly Update

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### **Welcome New MIHP Provider!**

Macomb County Health Department joined the MIHP provider network on December 1<sup>st</sup>. The agency has a long history of providing care to pregnant and parenting families. Please reach out to say hello and welcome them.

## MHEF Awards Announced

The Michigan Health Endowment Fund (MHEF) awarded more than \$15 million to 60 projects in Michigan, ranging from responses to dementia and elder abuse to support for maternal mental health and school food systems. From small, community-driven initiatives to systemic, statewide models, the selected organizations are pairing innovation with a vision of sustainability to lay the groundwork for lasting change.

Two of the projects will directly assist MIHP families:

***Grief & Bereavement: Maternal Infant Health Response***, awarded to the MDHHS Division of Maternal and Infant Health.

To support regional collaborative teams to create local bereavement support networks for bereaved families as well as staff experiencing secondary trauma.

This award will assist with creation of grief support for families experiencing loss.

***Expanding ACEs-Informed Care in MI's Home Visiting System***, awarded to the Michigan Public Health Institute To expand statewide use of Adverse Childhood Experiences prevention resources in maternal, infant, and early childhood home visiting.

This award will assist with statewide roll out of the new MIHP PACE Plan of Care focused on preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences.

See the entire list of awards at [Announcing \\$15.2 Million in New Grant Awards - Michigan Health Endowment Fund \(mihealthfund.org\)](https://mihealthfund.org)

## New Resource on Child and Teen Vaccines

Seven translations of Immunize.org's popular handout [When Do Children and Teens Need Vaccinations?](#) are now available to print and use. Translations include:

- [Spanish](#)
- [Arabic](#)
- [Chinese-Simplified](#)
- [French](#)
- [Korean](#)
- [Russian](#)
- [Vietnamese](#)

A great compliment to this handout is the handout [Vaccinations During Pregnancy](#), also available in these seven languages.

## New ACEs Infographic

We are pleased to share a new infographic on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) using data collected in the 2019 MI Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. It's been approved by the MDHHS Epidemiology and Communications offices and is housed on the MDHHS Trauma and Toxic Stress website, along with other resources and information: <https://www.michigan.gov/ACEsData>.

## Learning Opportunities



## Free Virtual Baby Showers

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is hosting [three virtual baby fairs for new or expecting parents in December](#). At the events, families will have opportunities to learn about available resources, important health and safety information and ask questions directly to program experts.

The events are free of charge and occurring on the following dates and times:

- Tuesday, Dec. 6, from 9 to 11 a.m.
- Monday, Dec. 12, from 9 to 11 a.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 14, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The following MDHHS programs are participating in this event:

- Newborn Screening
- Michigan BioTrust for Health
- Infant Safe Sleep
- Women, Infants & Children
- Immunizations
- Early Hearing Detection and Intervention
- Birth Defects Education and Outreach
- State Breastfeeding Initiative
- Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
- Vital Records
- Michigan Home Visiting Initiative
- Maternal Infant Health Program
- Children's Special Health Care Services
- Eat Safe Fish
- Unintentional Injury Prevention
- Oral Health Program

[Participants can register for one of these sessions online.](#)

For questions related to this event or to request baby fair resource materials as a printed document, please contact Kristen Thompson at [thompsonk23@michigan.gov](mailto:thompsonk23@michigan.gov) or by calling 517-284-4992.

[Click here to read the full Press Release](#)

## Centering Maternal Health in Storytelling Efforts

From our partners at the Pritzker Children's Initiative:

We invite you to join the final presentation in our 2022 PCI Communications Webinar Series on centering maternal health in storytelling efforts. This roundtable conversation will provide an overview of the landscape of maternal and infant health issues, plus valuable guidance and examples of storytelling efforts that advance narratives centering infants and birthing people.

During the webinar panelists will:

- Provide communications resources and tools that can help increase awareness around the current maternal health crisis
- Discuss best practices in reaching diverse audiences and key stakeholders to improve health outcomes
- Share the policy implications of maternal health issues
- Provide tips on powerful storytelling techniques through the use of social media, influencers and traditional media

**When:** Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 2pm – 3pm

**Who:**

- **Joshua S. Harris**, Senior Communications Manager, Voices for Healthy Kids, American Heart Association
- **Jordan S. Woods**, Director of Marketing and Communications, National Birth Equity Collaborative
- **Danielle Matthews**, Communications Manager, National Birth Equity Collaborative
- **Ronald E. Childs**, Senior Media Relations Strategist, Burrell Communications Group

We hope you'll join us. [To register, click on this link.](#)

## Upcoming State of Michigan (SOM) Holidays

### December

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



### 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

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

### Coordinator Directory

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