

MIHP Biweekly Update

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MIHP Regional Provider Network Meetings

MDHHS MIHP encourages collaboration among MIHP Providers, including the Regional MIHP Provider Network Meetings, which are facilitated at the local level. Information about these groups is summarized in [this document](#), which is also available on the Policy & Operations webpage. To update the information listed, please email MIHP@michigan.gov. Please note that MDHHS MIHP does not sponsor or attend these regional meetings.

Reminder: February COP Webinar

Register now for the next Community of Practice webinar on Wednesday, February 22nd from 9am – 10:30am, if you haven't already done so. The topic will be sickle cell disease and trait, presented by Wanda Shurney, M.D. and Mary Robinson, BSN, RN. Dr. Shurney is a pediatric physician who specializes in treating sickle cell disease. Ms. Robinson is the Special Projects Coordinator of the Hemoglobinopathy Quality Improvement Program in the Bureau of Epidemiology and Population Health at MDHHS.

Click [HERE](#) to register for the webinar.

Local Leadership Groups

Local Leadership Groups (LLGs), when available in your area, can provide valuable opportunities for collaboration among home visiting partners. Local Leadership Groups are designed to enhance local partner collaboration and cooperation to support a local home visiting system at the community or regional level.

LLGs were highlighted at a recent MIHP Community of Practice webinar, and a list of these LLGs has been developed and recently updated. Please see the attached document for the current listing of Local Leadership Groups and their respective contact information.

[LLG Map with contact list 1.30.23.pdf](#)



Black History Month Resources

Click on the links below for resources to use and share with your families as we recognize and celebrate Black History Month.

[U.S. Department of Health and Human Services](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)

[National Institute for Children's Health Quality \(NICHQ\)](#)



2023 CDC Recommended Immunization Schedules Now Available

The 2023 Recommended Immunization Schedules have been released. Several formats of the schedules, including parent-friendly versions, are available on the [CDC Immunization Schedules website](#). The MIHP website also has the [parent-friendly](#) version posted in our Education & Information for Parents section. As you can see, the visual layout of this version has been revised significantly.

Wondering what has changed? All changes are listed here: [Immunization Schedule Changes | CDC](#)

Stay Tuned! CDC routinely offers free shipment of vaccine schedules printed in color and on heavy-weight paper. The 2023 schedules are not yet available for order, but we will provide an update when they become available.

Routine vaccination rates continue to be impacted since the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, CDC has launched its Let's RISE campaign: Routine Immunizations on Schedule for Everyone. Check out these [resources here](#).

Images of Babies Sleeping Safely

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommends that babies sleep alone on their back in a crib, bassinet or pack and play with a firm mattress and no other objects in the sleep environment. It further recommends that organizations follow the infant safe sleep guidelines in their messaging, on their website and in their resource materials, even resources that aren't about safe sleep. Images portraying unsafe sleep can create misinformation about infant sleep practices.

Do you need help making sure your images of babies portray safe infant sleep? Review these questions to learn more:

- **Not sure how to tell if you should use a particular image?** The [Modeling Safe Practices: A Checklist for Infant Sleep & Breastfeeding Images](#) from the National Action Partnership to Promote Safe Sleep at the National Center for Education in Maternal and Child Health helps you check images to ensure they are breastfeeding-friendly and show safe infant sleep practices.
- **Are you having trouble finding images?** A variety of [images you can use](#) are available.
- **What do you do if you see an unsafe infant sleep image on a website, in a newsletter or other place?** Reach out to the organization and encourage them to use of images that support infant safe sleep. Don't know what to say? Use our [sample text](#) when contacting an organization about an unsafe image.

For more information on infant safe sleep, visit www.michigan.gov/safesleep or contact MDHHS-InfantSafeSleep@michigan.gov with any questions.



HV and Parent Engagement Opportunity

The MDHHS Home Visiting Unit continues to work towards ensuring parents are engaged at the state level and incorporating family voice to promote positive change. An opportunity is available for parents to be interviewed regarding home visiting services received from October 1, 2021 to now. Their stories could then be incorporated into the Home Visiting Legislative Report, and ensuring representation across home visiting models and families served will be an important aspect of this effort. Participants will be compensated for their time. Please see the attached information and consider sharing with families.

[Parent Opportunity.pdf](#)

Breastfeeding Education Resources

The Michigan Breastfeeding Network recently released a collection of breastfeeding education resources. All resources were developed by members of the Michigan Breastfeeding Network Core Cohort of 10 Black and Indigenous breastfeeding supporters and organizations, which are listed below.



This month, we are spotlighting resources from Birth Queens and Milk Queens, which include information on [latch](#) and [paced bottle feeding](#).

Consider reviewing and sharing these resources in an effort to support families across Michigan.

Upcoming State of Michigan (SOM) Holidays

February

February 20th - President's Day



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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](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.