

MIHP Bi-Weekly Update

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AAP Webinar Recording Now Available

The recording of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) webinar “What's New with the 2022 AAP Breastfeeding Policy?” is now available. It can be found at this link: www.aap.org/breastfeeding. Click the blue box that says, “View Webinar.”

Michigan Home Visiting Initiative

MDHHS MIHP is working very hard to support an integrated home visiting system that encourages and supports maximum family choice, knowing that different models might be appropriate for a specific family at a given time. There have been several joint activities that support family choice, including ongoing enhancements being made over the next few months to the MI Bridges and 2-1-1 systems to provide more options for home visiting. A media campaign that supports general Michigan Home Visiting opportunities is also underway.

Recently a few MIHP providers who offer services in Macomb County, along with representatives from Nurse Family Partnership and early Head Start Home Based services, jointly promoted home visiting at a community event. We appreciate the joint effort to highlight the entire Michigan Home Visiting Initiative, which includes eight evidenced-based home visiting programs. Pictures from the event are below. MDHHS MIHP strongly encourages other local opportunities that support awareness of the initiative to maximize family choice for the most appropriate model for service.



Reminder: Home Visiting Provider Session

This is a reprint of an article from the August 15th edition of the Bi-Weekly Update. P5FS is still looking for participants for this important discussion.

Join Prenatal to 5 Fiscal Strategies (P5FS) for a discussion to provide input on the cost of home visiting services in Michigan. P5FS is working with public and private organizations in Michigan to build a home visiting cost model; this cost model will be a tool that models the cost of home visiting direct services. The benefit of such a resource in Michigan is to ensure that the actual cost of home visiting is understood, in order to support increasing investments in the programs. This discussion will focus on program experiences with operations and expenses to inform the home visiting cost model. The model will be used to better understand the true cost of providing home visiting services across the many different models that exist in the state. Some possible topics may include:

- Wages and benefits for home visitors with different types of qualifications
- Wraparound supports for families and home visitors that are needed to provide services
- Program approaches that may differ from national model standards, particularly areas of higher cost programming, such as lower caseloads than national model requirements
- Regional and program model differences in the cost of providing services

When: Sep 7, 2022 11:30am

Register in advance for this meeting: [Register by clicking here.](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Infant Product Recalled



4moms MamaRoo Baby Swings and RockaRoo Baby Rockers are **recalled** due to entanglement and strangulation hazards. When the swing or rocker is not in use, their restraint straps can dangle below the seat and non-occupant crawling infants can become entangled in the straps, posing a strangulation hazard. (Image shows the hazard.)

You can contact 4moms:

- Toll-free at 877-870-7390 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday
- By email at safetyandrecall@4moms.com
- Online at <https://www.4moms.com> and click on SAFETY & RECALL at the top of the page.

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Pediatric Epilepsy Navigating Healthcare Training

The Pediatric Epilepsy Project is partnering with MI Family to Family and the Family Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs to offer a virtual learning opportunity for parents of children with epilepsy (seizures) in Michigan.

This two-day, interactive medical advocacy training is offered virtually to provide parents with information, tools, and resources to better navigate the healthcare system for their child. It was created by parents to share their experience and knowledge with other parents of children with special health care needs and/or complex health care conditions.

Dates: September 21st & 22nd, 2022

Time: 9:30 am to 12:30 pm on both days

Topics covered include:

- Navigating a new diagnosis
- Where to find reliable information and resources
- How to prepare for a successful healthcare interaction
- Improving communication and building partnerships with healthcare providers
- Becoming a good advocate
- Helping your child be active in their own care
- Self-care and peer support

This training is offered via Zoom. A computer or other device with an internet connection is needed (with camera is preferred, but not required). Participants who complete both days (6 hours total) will receive a \$100 Visa gift card stipend to support their attendance. To be eligible to attend, participants must live in Michigan, be the parent (bio, adoptive, foster, kinship, etc.), or legal guardian of a child with epilepsy (seizures), and register at least one week prior to the training.

To register, please call (517) 324-7396.

Parents *must* pre-register to attend. Space is limited. If you have questions contact me via email at kreese@mphi.org.

[September Pediatric Epilepsy Navigating Healthcare Training Flyer](#)

USDA Extends Infant Formula Waivers

Press release from the USDA, August 23, 2022:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has extended a series of waivers to provide WIC families with additional formula options through the end of the year. The waivers, which were previously set to expire at the end of September, will now be available through the earlier of either Dec. 31, 2022, or 60 days after the expiration of the state's COVID-19 major disaster declaration, ensuring WIC families have continued access to the formula they need.

"USDA recognizes the flexibilities provided by these waivers remain necessary as we continue to pull every lever to address infant formula supply issues and provide certainty for families," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "We will continue to work all hands on deck to ensure families can access infant formula, as part of the Biden-Harris Administration's whole-of-government approach to get more safe formula on store shelves nationwide."

The waivers extended today allow WIC state agencies, with the necessary agreements from their infant formula contract manufacturers, to offer participants additional infant formula options, such as alternate sizes, forms and brands. The planned Dec. 31 expiration date will provide state agencies with continued flexibility while the nationwide supply of infant formula recovers.

USDA began offering waivers immediately after the Feb. 17, 2022, voluntary recall of certain Abbott powder infant formulas, which exacerbated existing supply chain issues caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Since then, FNS has granted nearly 500 waivers to WIC state agencies, providing flexibilities to better serve WIC participants receiving benefits for infant formula.

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service continues to work tirelessly to ensure WIC participants and stakeholders have the information they need to keep infants fed and safe. Working closely with the White House, recent USDA actions include:

- Recommending that state agencies in contracts with Reckitt Mead Johnson or Gerber – two of the three infant formula manufacturers for WIC, the third being Abbott – [seek contract flexibility](#) to allow alternate formulas if the contracted size, form or brand of formula is unavailable, with USDA paying the cost difference.
- Leveraging new authority from the Access to Baby Formula Act to allow states to [make imported formulas available to WIC participants](#), as well as participating in the cross-government effort through Operation Fly Formula to rapidly transport safe specialty and regular formula into the country.
- Providing a [toolkit](#) and [guidance](#) to WIC state agencies and stakeholders to assist with distributing imported formula.
- [Calling on states](#) to take advantage of all available WIC flexibilities and waivers that could help those they serve and providing extensive, tailored technical assistance to facilitate the process. Now, nearly all state agencies have applicable waivers in place.

More information about USDA's response can be found on Food and Nutrition Service's [Infant Formula Shortage Response webpage](#).

USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. In the Biden-Harris Administration, USDA is transforming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, ensuring access to healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit www.usda.gov/.

Infant Safe Sleep Brochure - New Language Translations Available

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

Good night. Sleep tight. Sleep safe.

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Lead Prevention Resources for Refugee and Immigrant Families

As a follow-up to the August MIHP Community of Practice, the following resources were shared by the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP). These include an additional focus on resources in Dari and Pashto as requested, as well as resources for working with refugee and immigrant families:

[Lead Screening Guidelines: Domestic Guidelines | CDC](#)

[Blood Lead Level \(BLL\) Quick Reference for Primary Care Providers](#)

[Investigating Aluminum Cookpots as a Source of Lead Exposure in Afghan Refugee Children Resettled in the United States | Journal of Exposure Science & Environmental Epidemiology \(nature.com\)](#)

[Refugee Health Program: Afghan Health Resources | Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#)

[Prevent Lead Poisoning Flyer with Updated Images: Lead Refugee](#)

[Lead Poisoning in Children PSA - YouTube](#)

[Prevent Lead Poisoning Flyer in Pashto: Lead Refugee](#)

[Lead Poisoning in Children PSA \(Farsi\) YouTube](#)

[Lead Poisoning in Children PSA \(Pashtu\) YouTube](#)

[Pregnancy Handout in Dari](#)

[Lead Screening During Pregnancy and Lactation | ACOG](#)

[Guidelines for the Identification and Management of Lead Exposure in Pregnant Women | CDC](#)

As a reminder, the Community of Practice recordings and slides are available on the MIHP Provider Training web page.

New Infographic - Understanding & Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences

Adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) are potentially traumatic events that can affect a person's mental and physical health, well-being, and success in adulthood. The COVID-19 pandemic disrupted family life in ways that greatly increased exposure to ACEs for millions of children. Many children have lost a parent or caregiver and been exposed to economic hardships such as food insecurity and homelessness. ACEs can also have lasting, negative effects on health, 5 of the 10 leading causes of death are associated with ACEs.

[This infographic](#) explores the lasting effect ACEs have on a person. It also offers methods for preventing ACEs through protective measures and solutions implemented early in life. Key approaches to reducing ACEs include understanding risk factors and protecting young people from violence and abuse.

[Click here to view the full infographic](#)

New Virtual Training! Harm Reduction: Responding to the Needs of Individuals and Communities

Virtual Training Registration Now Open!

Harm Reduction: Responding to the Needs of Individuals and Communities

Thursday, September 15, 2022 – 10:00 – 11:30 am

Register here: <https://www.eventsquid.com/event/17770>

Presenter:

Pam Werner, M.A.

Manager, Recovery Services and Supports, Bureau of Community Based Services, Behavioral and Physical Health and Aging Services Administration, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

Session summary:

The principles and practices of harm reduction will be provided with the focus on why it is a practical, public health strategy designed to reduce the negative consequences and behaviors of drug use. The connection between harm reduction and promoting healthy individual lifestyles in communities will be discussed. The Pillars of harm reduction and harm reduction strategies that focus on prevention of harm rather than the elimination of behavior will be covered. We will explore the context for diverse models that have emerged from the harm reduction philosophy and how this applies to home visitors.

Webinar: The Benefits of Maternal Immunization

On August 30th at 12pm, join the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID) and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) for a discussion on the importance of maternal immunization in protecting both mother and baby. Speakers will discuss current US immunization recommendations for pregnant women and best practices for making strong vaccine recommendations.

NFID Medical Director, **William Schaffner, MD**, will moderate the discussion with **Kevin A. Ault, MD**, Professor and Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Western Michigan University Homer Stryker MD School of Medicine, and **Flor Muñoz, MD, MSc**, Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Infectious Diseases, Baylor College of Medicine.

Date: Tuesday, August 30, 2022, at 12:00 PM ET

Registration: [REGISTER HERE](#)

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

- Explain current US recommendations for maternal immunization
- Implement strategies to effectively address patient questions and concerns regarding maternal immunization

There is no fee to participate, but pre-registration is required and participation will be limited to the first 500 attendees for each webinar. [On-demand recordings](#) will be available to those unable to participate live

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](#).

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