

Important MIHP Update- February 25, 2026



Project ECHO: Strengthening the Relationship between Home Visiting and Child Welfare

Sharing on behalf of the Michigan Home Visiting Initiative

Each month, the Michigan Home Visiting Initiative (MHVI) Project ECHO brings home visitors, supervisors, and peer navigators together for a welcoming space to connect, learn, and strengthen strategies for supporting families with complex needs. Using the "All Teach, All Learn" model, Project ECHO sessions blend training, peer sharing, reflective practice, and real-life case discussion to help build confidence and best practices across the field.

Project ECHO's next session is coming up on **March 3rd at 9:00 a.m.**, and is excited to focus on **Strengthening the Relationship between Home Visiting and Child Welfare**. This session is especially valuable for anyone wanting to better understand how home visiting and child welfare can work hand-in-hand to support families.

You'll also hear from our fantastic team of presenters: Emily Taylor, Maya Meheidli, Angela Stewart, and Kelly Shay.

Here's what this next session will explore:

- The different MDHHS case manager roles and what they do
- What a family may experience as they move through a CPS case
- Common child welfare language and terminology
- Strategies from child welfare partners for building strong relationships with local offices and MDHHS case managers
- Tips for presenting at MDHHS staff meetings

After the training portion, Aimee LaFear will guide our reflective conversation and case discussion. Jenna Donajowski and Chelsea Croteau will share a case presentation focused on supporting families involved with Child Welfare, and they're eager to hear your ideas and perspectives on how to walk alongside the family.

If you've attended ECHO sessions before, simply log into your iECHO account on March 3rd at 9:00 a.m. and click the join now button.

New to Project ECHO? You can register here:

<https://iecho.org/public/program/PRGM1757949522413TMZBQTFMP8>

Looking forward to learning with you!

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