



Indiana State
Department of Health
Maternal and Child Health

September 2018 Newsletter



Help Me Grow Indiana

Monthly News and Updates

The mission of HMG Indiana is to promote optimal development of Indiana's young children.

HMG Indiana is a toll free number that connects ALL families and providers to community resources and child development information in Indiana.

Help Me Grow Indiana: Information for Early Childhood (0-8) Providers

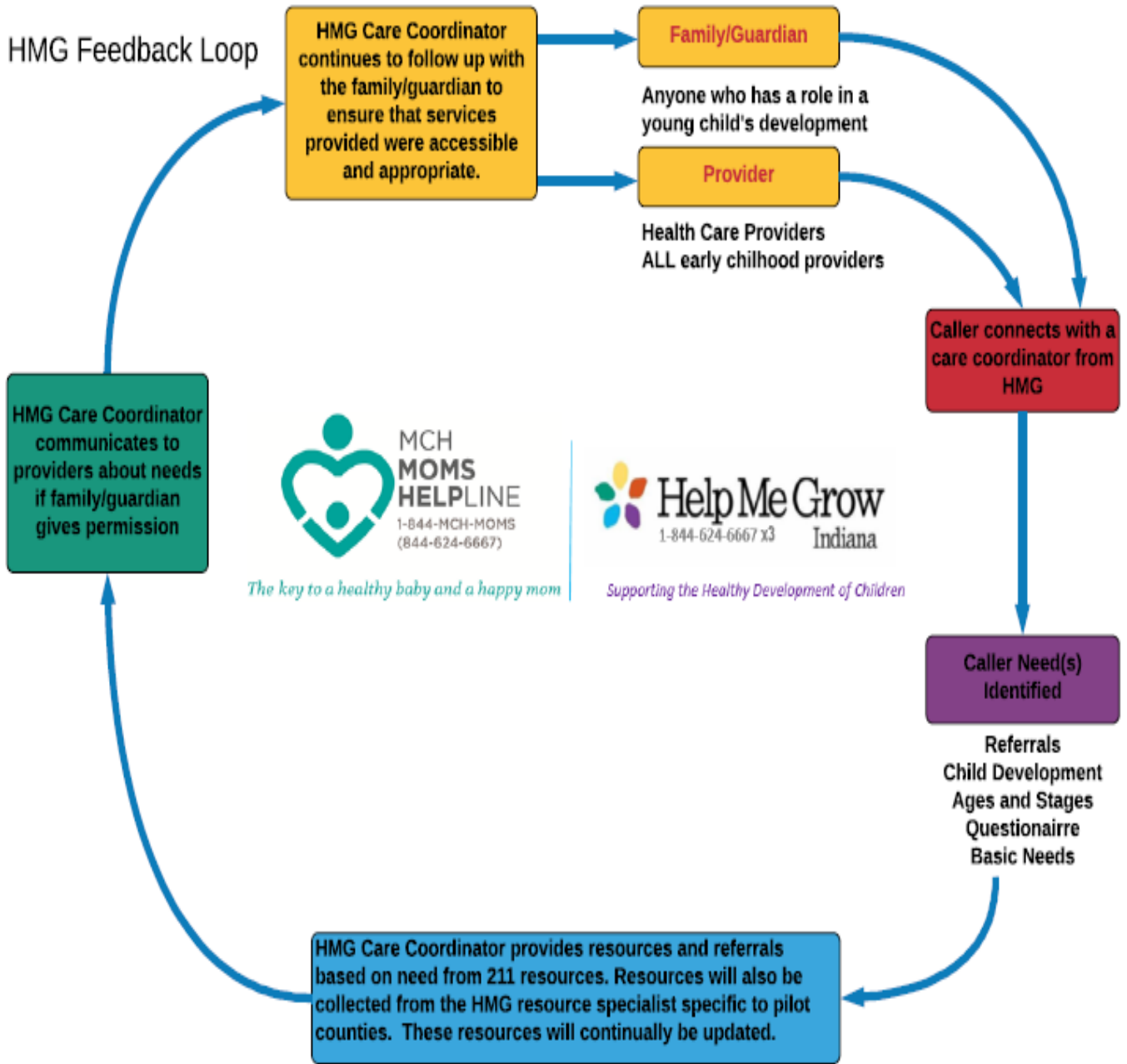
- ◆ The mission of HMG Indiana is to promote optimal development of Indiana's young children.
- ◆ HMG Indiana isn't an agency, but a partnership based on a national model for organizing existing agencies with the goal of more efficiently and effectively reaching and helping children.
- ◆ HMG Indiana is housed at the Indiana State Department of Health and utilizes the MOMS Helpline's phone system in connection with Indiana 211's resource database.

What's in it for me?

Help Me Grow Indiana can offer numerous benefits to your program:

- ◆ **Free, standardized developmental screening:** HMG Indiana can work with your program to provide standardized developmental screening. This will include pathways to have children screened by a HMG-Indiana Care Coordinator or provide resources if the program has already provided the screening. HMG will use the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ), for children ages 0-65 months (approx. 5.5 years).
- ◆ **HMG is a resource for you:** HMG will have information on general child development and parenting topics. In addition, do you need assistance with sharing results with families from a recent developmental screening? Do you need a reference for resources to give to families? HMG can help!
- ◆ **Care Coordination:** HMG Indiana provides free, specialized care coordination for families of young children that you serve. This means that if we have the family's permission, we will connect with resources and share information with you as the provider so we can all be on the same page. Care Coordinators will provide referrals to local community resources that support child development, and ensure that families successfully connect with those resources.

HMG Feedback Loop



*Pilot counties: Scott, Marion, Madison, Delaware, Grant, Elkhart, St. Joseph, La Porte, Lake

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Opportunities to get involved

Help Me Grow Leadership Team

ELAC Child Development and Well Being Workgroup

10 a.m. to noon EST, fourth Thursday of each month, St. Mary's Child Center

Help Me Grow Centralized Telephone Access Workgroup

3 to 4:30 p.m., Oct. 11, at Early Learning Indiana. Email MMendez1@isdh.IN.gov for more information

Help Me Grow Child Health Provider Outreach Workgroup

Please email Klinson@isdh.in.gov for more information.

Help Me Grow Data Collection and Analysis Workgroup

ELAC Data Workgroup 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. EST, fourth Thursday of each month, Ice Miller Offices, One American Square

Help Me Grow Community and Family Outreach Workgroup

HMG State Workgroup TBD

Local Family Engagement Workgroups

ECCS COIIN– Noon to 2 p.m., fourth Monday of every month, John H. Boner Center

Next Steps

- ISDH will be hiring two Help Me Grow Resource Specialist.
- The Leadership group will create strategic recommendations based on the Help Me Grow Capacity for Change document from the Help Me Grow National team
- HMG workgroups will be provided one-page summary document for providers.
- Opportunities to join workgroups in person or remotely.
- HMG Presentation at the Muncie YWCA from noon to 1 p.m. Oct. 10.
- HMG Presentation will be given at the 2018 Institute for Strengthening Families on Sept. 24-26.
- Email KLinson@isdh.in.gov to schedule a Help Me Grow presentation.

ISDH-MCH is hiring HMG Resource Specialists

Indiana State Department of Health is looking to hire two resource specialists to serve as the liaison between the community, families and the Help Me Grow system. The resource specialists will support the awareness and visibility of the Help Me Grow system throughout nine pilot counties in the state: Marion, Scott, Madison, Grant, La Porte, Lake, St Joseph, Elkhart and Delaware.

Please email SGarrity@isdh.IN.gov for a more detailed job description.

Help Me Grow Indiana Organizational Chart



IN HMG Organizing Entity *IN MIECHV state team + ECCS*

David Reed
Cynthia Smith
Barbara Gainer
Carrie Higgins

Martha Allen
Shirley Payne
Kristi Linson
Casey Kinderman

Implementing entity –
Final implementation authorization, funding direction, federal reporting, presentation approval, and data approval decisions are made by this team.

IN HMG Program Manager oversees Leadership Team and communicates to IN HMG Organizing Entity activities and recommendations.

IN HMG Program Manager Shannon Garrity

IN HMG Leadership Team reviews activities and recommendations from Core Component committees and provides report and recommendation to Organizing Entity via IN HMG Program Manager. IN HMG Leadership Team is a function within larger existing entity of [to be confirmed] workgroup

IN HMG Leadership Team Indiana Early Learning Advisory Committee *Early Learning Advisory Committee (ELAC) Child Development and Well-Being*

IN HMG Workgroups implemented within existing early childhood system entities where possible. These workgroups serve as special project workgroups and subject matter advisory entities.

IN HMG Centralized Telephone Access Workgroup

MCH MOMS HELPLINE
1-844-MCHMOMS
(844-624-6667)
The key to a healthy baby and a happy mom
MOM's Helpline
Marta Mendez

EARLY LEARNING INDIANA
Early Learning Indiana
Marta Fetterman

IN HMG Child Health Provider Outreach Workgroup

Dr. Emily Sherer

IN HMG Community and Family Outreach Workgroup

HMG State Workgroup (Formerly LAUNCH)
Shannon Garrity

IN HMG Data Collection and Analysis Workgroup

Indiana Early Learning Advisory Committee
ELAC- Data Coordination and System Integration
Charlie Geier
Kim Hodqe

Local Community and Family Outreach subgroup(s)

ECCS COIIN
Natasha Guffey

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The Help Me Grow (HMG) system is designed to help states and communities leverage existing resources to ensure they identify vulnerable children early, link families to community based services and empower families to support their children's healthy development through the implementation of four core components:

- Child health care provider outreach
- Community outreach
- Centralized call center
- Data collection

The vision of the Indiana Help Me Grow system is to:

- Help families, primary care providers and other community-based providers, including home visiting services, identify developmental or behavioral concerns in children.
- Provide a statewide resource directory with a feedback loop to identify gaps in services targeted and developed in pilot sites.
- Utilize the MCH MOMS Helpline as the centralized call center to connect families with specialized programs and services used on their needs.

Help Me Grow pilot sites

