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MCHB TA Innovation Center

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In Newsletter #4, our focus is on both Screening and Treatment for Maternal Depression and Related Behavioral Disorders (MDRBD) and Pediatric Mental Health Care Access (PMHCA) programs. We are pleased to share three research updates

and one resource update that provide valuable insights into these areas.

The Technical Assistance (TA) Innovation Center is committed to supporting award recipients in these programs to improve the well-being of mothers, children, and families across the nation. We are eager to share this wealth of knowledge with you on a quarterly basis, ensuring that you remain up to date and connected with the cutting-edge developments in these fields.

Please keep us informed of your preferences and suggestions on how the TA Innovation Center can best serve you. We encourage any suggestions on how we can provide you with updates on TA resources and activities related to the implementation of PMHCA and MDRBD programs. Our goal is to keep you well-informed not only on funding and policy matters but also on the latest research articles, webinars, events, and resources in the field of maternal and child behavioral health.

RESEARCH UPDATES

The Still-Face Paradigm: Training Model for Relational Health

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recently endorsed a paradigm shift from a singular focus on child to a more expansive focus on relational health: the ability to develop and sustain nurturing relationships. Such relationships are foundational for social, emotional, and brain development and vital for enhancing resilience and well-being. [Read more.](#)

2022 Health of Women and Children Report

The 6th edition of *America's Health Rankings*® *Health of Women and Children Report* shines a light on the health challenges faces by the nation's women and children. The report builds on United Health Foundation's commitment to support better health and encourages others to join in building healthier communities. Rates of **mental and behavioral health challenges** have increased broadly among women and children across the nation in recent years, though rates vary widely based on geography, race/ethnicity, and socioeconomic factors. [Read more.](#)

The Transition to Parenthood in Obstetrics: Enhancing Prenatal Care for Two-Generation Impact

Obstetrics, the specialty overseeing infant and parent health before birth, could be expanded to address the interrelated areas of parents' prenatal impact on children's brain development and their own psychosocial needs during a time of immense change and neuroplasticity. Obstetrics is primed for the shift that is happening in pediatrics, which is moving from its traditional focus on physical health to a coordinated, whole-child, two- or multigeneration approach. [Read more.](#)

Resources



MCH DIGITAL LIBRARY RESOURCE GUIDES

The following toolkits, resource guides, and briefs contain recent, high-quality materials for staying abreast of new developments and conducting further research. These resources include links to websites, electronic publications, databases, discussion groups, and other materials, such as Child Care Consultant Curricula and

Toolkits, Evaluation Toolkits, Community Service Locators, and more. [Read more.](#)

Save the Date



[The HRSA MCHB TA Provider Shared Calendar](#)

Stay informed about HRSA MCHB TA Provider activities and events with our shared calendar! This centralized calendar provides easy access for PMHCA and MDRBD awardees to review planned TA activities from MCHB TA Innovation Center, AAP, School Based Health Alliance, and Emergency Medical Services for Children Innovation and Improvement Center. It also offers convenient access to event follow-ups, including comprehensive PowerPoint slides and concise summaries of previous TA engagements.

[Peer-to-Peer Learning Exchange: Referral Database Design and](#)

Management

Thursday, August 17, 2023, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. ET

Annual All-Awardee Meeting Day 1

Monday August 28 from 1:00p.m. to 5:00p.m. ET

Zoom details coming soon.

Annual All-Awardee Meeting Day 2

Tuesday August 29 from 1:00p.m. to 5:00p.m. ET

Zoom details coming soon.

We want to hear from YOU!

Contact us for TA and to share your successes, articles, products, presentations, and challenges:

Submit a TA request

You are receiving this newsletter because you have been identified as one of our funded awardees. For any questions or concerns or to request this newsletter be sent to additional people, please email [Patrice Moss, Project Officer, at MCHB](#).

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