



## infant health

### **Maternal and Child Health Environmental Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network**

NICHQ is leading all CoIIN activities in this initiative, which aims to build state capacity to increase the number of infants and children who have access to a system of coordinated care to address their needs as a result of exposures to lead and decrease maternal and child morbidity and mortality associated with exposure to lead. Funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau via the Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs.

### **National Action Partnership to Promote Safe Sleep Improvement and Innovation Network**

This national effort aims to make infant safe sleep and breastfeeding the national norm by activating champions of safe infant sleep and breastfeeding and aligning stakeholders to create and test "safety bundles" in multiple care settings. NICHQ is leading and facilitating the innovation network, which will improve the likelihood that infant caregivers and families receive consistent, evidence-based instruction about safe sleep and breastfeeding. Funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau.

### **National Network of Perinatal Quality Collaboratives**

During this five-year initiative, NICHQ is providing resources and expertise to 43 state-based perinatal quality collaboratives with the goal of deepening and accelerating improvement efforts for maternal and infant health outcomes. Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

### **New York State Maternal and Child Health Collaboratives**

In partnership with the New York State Department of Health, NICHQ is leading efforts to improve the care in New York's perinatal care centers through the development and implementation of promising interventions that address specific challenges in current systems of care. Funded by the New York State Department of Health.

### **Safe Sleep CoIIN to Reduce Infant Mortality**

NICHQ is leading this initiative that uses evidence-based strategies and quality improvement methods to decrease the instances of sudden unexpected infant death (SUID) rates and reduce racial disparities in sleep-related deaths in four states: Arkansas, Mississippi, New York and Tennessee. Funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau.

### **Exploring State-Level Strategies to Improve Maternal Health and Birth Outcomes**

Through site visits and interviews, NICHQ is studying four states' efforts to reduce preterm births and address disparities. NICHQ will develop a set of comprehensive case studies that explore and document systems and infrastructure that promote or hinder improvements in preterm births. Funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

### **Ohio Infant Mortality Focused Home Visiting Curriculum**

This 18-month initiative seeks to develop an infant mortality-focused home visiting curriculum to support maternal and infant health, prenatally through age one. Working together with health department representatives, home visitors, and families, NICHQ is designing an evidence-based curriculum, recommending and training two communities to pilot the program, and leading evaluation and a statewide implementation plan. Funded by the Ohio Department of Health.

### **Content Development for Newborn Screening Clearinghouse**

NICHQ is managing all content for a new comprehensive web-based clearinghouse to raise awareness about the critical importance of newborn screening and help families navigate the screening process. In partnership with content expert Genetic Alliance, NICHQ is facilitating the development of up-to-date and state-specific web-content about newborn screening and its life-saving potential. Funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

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## early childhood

### **Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network (ECCS CoIIN)**

During this five-year initiative, NICHQ is leading 12 state teams and 28 local

communities in quality improvement and collaborative learning to improve early childhood systems, increase the number of 3-year-old children with age-appropriate developmental skills, and reduce the disparity in these skills among children. Funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau.

### **Pediatrics Supporting Parents**

Over the course of this 30-month project, NICHQ is developing and leading a learning community comprised of 18 pediatrics practices across the country. Together, they are working to identify evidence-based strategies and measures that can be spread to pediatric settings nationally to improve children's socioemotional development. Funded by the Silicon Valley Community Foundation.

### **StriveTogether Prenatal – Three Impact and Improvement Network**

During this two-year initiative, NICHQ is working with StriveTogether to increase school readiness and reduce disparities in children ages birth to 3. The initiative will build the capacity of local providers in six state-based communities to track and leverage data to drive improvement and to identify specific scalable strategies for improving outcomes. Funded by the J.B. and M.K. Pritzker Family Foundation.

### **Strengthening Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Through Policy and Cross-State Learning Efforts**

This initiative's primary purpose is to supplement the ongoing work of the HRSA MCHB funded ECCS CoIIN by enhancing early childhood policy advocacy and implementation. Along with conducting policy analyses, NICHQ is convening additional experts to provide targeted technical assistance on early childhood policy to the 12 state teams and 28 local communities working to improve early childhood systems. Funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

### **Early Childhood Health Equity Landscape: Learning from Existing and Emerging Initiatives**

NICHQ is working with Child Trends to assess, summarize, and catalogue multisector initiatives that support more effective and equitable early childhood systems. The project is systematically gathering, synthesizing, and publicly sharing insights and learnings, promising practices and progress, and challenges and opportunities to enhance state and local early childhood efforts. Funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

## special healthcare needs and rare diseases



### **American Academy of Pediatrics Children and Youth with Epilepsy Evaluation**

To support the creation of a community based care system for children and youth with epilepsy, NICHQ provides evaluation skills and participates in the creation of a data dashboard for quality improvement metrics used by teams to monitor their progress through testing innovations and change ideas. Funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau via the American Academy of Pediatrics.

### **Sickle Cell Disease Treatment**

#### **Demonstration Regional Collaborative Program**

During this three-year initiative, NICHQ works with five regional centers from across the country to improve coordination and service delivery for individuals living with sickle cell disease. As the coordinating center, NICHQ provides support on data collection, reporting and analysis. Funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

### **Florida Children's Medical Services Learning and Action Network**

By building the quality improvement capacity of specialty programs, this learning and action network will grow and support a high-quality system of care in Florida that serves all children and youth with special healthcare needs, regardless of insurance status and location.

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