We are the National Institute for Children’s Health Quality.

You can call us NICHQ.

We are a non-profit organization that is improving health outcomes for children and families.

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What does NICHQ do?
NICHQ works across systems and sectors—community-based organizations, primary care, schools, state health departments—to drive improvements in the complex health issues facing children and their families. NICHQ brings stakeholders together, designs and executes programs using evidence-based and/or innovative strategies, then works on the ground to support local change agents in making improvements to the systems that affect children's health outcomes. Put simply, we execute and scale systems change to improve children's health and eliminate health disparities.

What makes NICHQ unique?
• A highly rigorous, yet flexible approach to systems change.
• The use of evidence-based and data-driven strategies in program design.
• A collaborative approach that brings stakeholders and uncommon partners to the table.

Our Impact
Over the past two decades, NICHQ has led more than 80 initiatives reaching millions of children and families nationwide. As a result of our work, more children have better access to care, better coordinated services and improved outcomes.

> 5 percent decrease in national infant mortality rates
> Over 10,000 more children with sickle cell disease have access to quality care
> 20,000 more children are receiving comprehensive wellness assessments each year in Massachusetts
> 95% of children confirmed with hearing loss nationwide are referred for early intervention
> Over 200,000 more breastfed infants nationwide and an additional 214,000 families provided with hospital environments that support breastfeeding
> More than 750 key leaders and influencers in the primary care, public health and community sectors trained to use quality improvement methods and policy to reduce and prevent obesity at the local level
“We are a team of passionate and highly responsive experts and advisors who are wholly committed to pushing the boundaries on what is possible in order to make real and rapid change happen.”

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