



Help Me Grow[®]

NATIONAL NETWORK

ALABAMA







PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION STATUS

In 2015, the Alabama Partnership for Children received funding to expand *HMG* services statewide, working with local agencies to serve families with children birth to eight years old in all 67 counties.

OUR *HMG* SYSTEM

HELP ME GROW CORE COMPONENTS

-  **Child Health Provider Outreach** *HMG* Alabama works with Reach Out and Read-Alabama to contact pediatricians with a united message about early childhood development. We also collaborate with the Alabama Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics on Quality Improvement/Maintenance of Certification.
-  **Family and Community Outreach** We have worked with Early Intervention, Alabama's First Class Pre-K, child care, and First Teacher Home Visiting programs to incorporate *HMG* into existing referral protocols. We have engaged Children's Policy Councils and others through community Books, Balls, and Blocks events, presentations at local and regional conferences, and public awareness through agency newsletters and websites. In addition to the *HMG* State Leadership team, state and local Young Child Wellness Councils have been created for further system's development.
-  **Centralized Phone Access Point** *HMG* Alabama operates a statewide, toll-free number and routes all families statewide through an initial intake at the organizing entity before triaging to a regional care coordinator. The care coordinator will then utilize the Ages and Stages Questionnaires, link families with needed resources, and follow-up when a connection is made.
-  **Data Collection & Analysis** *HMG* Alabama has begun utilizing the ASQ Online Enterprise system and Family Access component to strengthen Alabama's capacity for collecting statewide child development data, and to further promote and enhance developmental screening in early childhood programs around the state. For more efficient client tracking, follow-up, and data collection, we have acquired *HMG* Utah's comprehensive database system and procedures.

IMPLEMENTATION OF *HMG*

HMG Alabama is currently being implemented in all 67 counties in the state through regional partnerships with local agencies.

FAST FACTS

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HMG CALL CENTER

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ADVANCING

Developmental Promotion, Early Detection & Linkage to Services