



## News from *Help Me Grow* National

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### *Help Me Grow* Is Growing!

Sara Sibley will be going on maternity leave on or before December 9. Krystle Neumann will be taking her place while Sara is on leave. During the next week (or so), Sara will be training Krystle. We anticipate a smooth transition; however, if affiliates have questions please contact Joanna (jbogin@connecticutchildrens.org). We all can't wait to meet our newest member of the team!

### *Help Me Grow* Networking Reception: NTI November 29, 2012

Come join us and meet partners from across the country!

*Help Me Grow* National will be attending Zero to Three's 27th National Training Institute and will be hosting a networking reception for *HMG* Affiliates. The event will take place Thursday, November 29, at the JW Marriott, Los Angeles, CA. **Invitation is attached.** Please RSVP to Sara Sibley, smartel@connecticutchildrens.org.

### New Post from Dr. Dworkin's *Help Me Grow* Blog:

#### Reframing the Early Detection and Early Intervention Pathway

This month, Dr. Dworkin explores the crucial interdependence of developmental surveillance and screening in enhancing the capacity of the medical home to support families in raising healthy children. "[S]urveillance without screening is likely to contribute to children eluding early detection," he writes, "while the isolated use of screening tools is challenged by lofty expectations despite understandably modest psychometric properties and may result in over- or under-identification." Read the full post at [HelpMeGrowNational.org](http://HelpMeGrowNational.org).

### *Help Me Grow* Champion In the Spotlight: Ann Monroe

Meet Ann Monroe, the president of the Health Foundation for Western and Central New York, which helps fund *HMG*-Western New York. **Spotlight is attached.**

**CHDI Briefing Paper: “Connecticut’s Children: Off to a Healthy Start”**

The Child Health and Development Institute of Connecticut hosted a First 1000 Days: Off to a Healthy Start forum at the State Capitol on October 19, 2012. An accompanying briefing paper entitled “Connecticut’s Children: Off to a Healthy Start,” includes an overview of how Connecticut’s youngest children are doing on key health indicators, what the State is currently doing, and what still needs to be done. [Click here](#) to download the briefing paper.

**New ABCD Resource: “Supporting Healthy Child Development through Medical Homes: Strategies from ABCD III States”**

This issue brief describes four ways Oregon, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Illinois and Arkansas have worked to improve care coordination for children through ABCD III by bringing an explicit focus on children to their states' medical home initiatives. [Click here](#) to download the brief.