



News from *Help Me Grow* National

HMG Alabama Invites Affiliates to Satellite Conference. Live Webcast

On Thursday, January 10, 2013, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. CST, *Help Me Grow* Alabama, via the Alabama Department of Public Health, will host a satellite conference and live webcast, *Strengthening Families and Help Me Grow: Tools You Can Use to Help Families*. To register for this program [click here](#). For more information, contact Alycia Jeong (ajeong@smartstartalabama.org) at Smart Start Alabama.

Website Domain Names Available for Affiliate States

We would like to remind affiliates that *Help Me Grow* National has reserved website domain rights for all states. These addresses will be reserved until February 2014. Website names are in the format www.HelpMeGrow-YourState.org. If you would like to take advantage of this and obtain ownership of your state's *Help Me Grow* website, please contact Joanna Bogin at jbogin@connecticutchildrens.org for details.

"Making the Link" between Strengthening Families and HMG

"Making the Link," a new fact sheet, explores how state Strengthening Families efforts are a valuable opportunity for *Help Me Grow* affiliates, and how the Strengthening Families Protective Factors can support *Help Me Grow* systems. Download the pdf [here](#).

PolicyLab Releases Data from Translating Evidence-based Developmental Screening (TEDS) Study

The study is the largest to date to confirm the feasibility and effectiveness of standardized developmental screening in urban primary care settings. Three key findings from the study include standardized developmental screening is feasible in a busy, urban primary care practice; standardized developmental screening is effective in identifying developmental delay; standardized developmental screening is not sufficient to ensure children's receipt of needed services. [Click here](#) to read the TEDS study data. [Click here](#) to learn more about the study.

Funding Opportunity for Act Early Ambassadors

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Maternal and Child Health Bureau, and the Association for Maternal and Child Health Programs (AMCHP) announce a funding opportunity for Act Early Ambassadors to work with CDC's "Learn the Signs. Act Early." The application deadline is January 8, 2013. Download the Request for Application pdf [here](#). For more information, contact Michelle Jarvis at mjarvis@amchp.org.