



News from *Help Me Grow* National

[Help Me Grow Regional Peer-to-Peer Meeting](#)

On January 23 and 24, 2013, 24 people from the affiliate states of Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, and South Carolina gathered with a team from *HMG* National for a valuable and innovative Regional Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Meeting in Charleston, South Carolina. [Click here to read more](#) about the meeting and the potential of the P2P model to support *HMG* systems.

[New Post from Dr. Dworkin's Help Me Grow Blog:](#)

[Home Visiting and Help Me Grow: More Than a Marriage of Convenience](#)

This month, Dr. Dworkin looks at the important connection between home visiting programs and *Help Me Grow*. "*Help Me Grow* partnership with home visiting programs enables the type of cross-sector collaboration among child health, early care and education, and family support that is so critical to ensure the promotion of children's healthy development," he writes. Read the full post at www.HelpMeGrowNational.org.

[New SAMHSA Community Action Guide](#)

Supporting Babies and Families Impacted by Caregiver Mental Health Problems, Substance Abuse, and Trauma: A Community Action Guide, a new publication prepared for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) by ZERO TO THREE, presents resources that service providers, advocates, and practitioners can use to better understand and engage their communities in responding to children whose caregivers are negatively impacted by mental illness, substance abuse, or trauma. [Download the Community Action Guide here.](#)

[New HRSA Resource on Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment](#)

As a part of a series of Health Resources Services and Administration-funded activities related to Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) and Title V, there has been a complete overhaul of the Wikipedia section describing EPSDT. [View the updated EPSDT page here.](#)

[Expanding Early Care and Education for Homeless Children and Families](#)

To highlight ways to leverage Federal policy to better serve homeless children and families, the Administration for Children and Families has put together a package of resources on the topic, including policies and procedures to increase access to Early Care and Education (ECE) services for homeless children and families; strategies for increasing ECE services for homeless children; and an early childhood and family homelessness resource list. [Find the resource package here.](#)

[New Infant Mental Health Web Content Available for Parents, Caregivers](#)

The new [Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health section](#) of [kidsmentalhealthinfo.com](#), a website from the [Connecticut Center for Effective Practice](#), provides an extensive resource library filled with publications, facts and figures, links and a section on frequently asked questions specific to infant/early childhood mental health issues. The website also answers questions parents may have about how they can foster their child's healthy development and what they should do if they notice problems. [Learn more about this new resource here.](#)