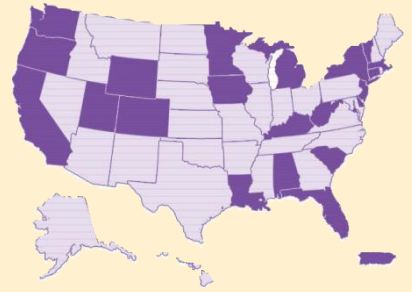




Help Me Grow

Affiliate State Profile



Minnesota



Planning & Implementation Status

Planning stages of implementing a *Help Me Grow* system

Our HMG System

This is a project of the Minnesota Children's Cabinet. The Minnesota Departments of Education, Health, and Human Services have been working collaboratively to meet with early childhood professional and parent partners across the state to gather input about what the new *Help Me Grow* system should look like.

In early 2015, four work groups were created to advise decision-makers on how the core components can be best structured in Minnesota, building on what is already working in communities to make sure that all of our children can access meaningful support for healthy development. Minnesota is also planning a summit to address specific needs of tribal nations.

Tribal Nations have separate and unique governance structures, and an important part of statewide planning is engaging Minnesota's Objibwe and Dakota Tribal communities in the process. This may offer opportunities for additional ways of accessing resources, data collection, and improved awareness of Tribal resources for service providers in counties, school districts and health systems. Each Tribal community will make decisions about their involvement in planning and implementation of the expanded *Help Me Grow* system.

Implementation of HMG

Over the next few months, the workgroups will provide recommendations to decision makers about how Minnesota's implementation of the National *Help Me Grow* model could best be structured to consistently and effectively meet the needs of children and families, early childhood providers, and communities. Implementation planning will include looking at ways of blending, braiding and adding the resources needed to build and run the system in the most efficient way possible, with input from statewide partners.

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