

Strengthening Early Childhood in Kansas

WEBINAR OCTOBER 18, 2023





WELCOME

- Welcome everyone!
- Quick Updates
 - Don't forget our new monthly webinar schedule
 - Sign up to receive our All In For Kansas Kids e-Newsletter on the Children's Cabinet website – <u>www.kschildrenscabinet.org</u>
- Presentations on Kansas Home Visiting Community Readiness Assessment by Neil Rowe, KU CPPR and Universal Home Visiting Expansion Highlights by Holly Frye, KDHE
- Early Childhood Systems Updates





2023 Webinar Schedule

January 11 February 8 March 8 April 19 May 17 June 14 July 12 August 9 September 20 October 18 November 15 December 13



2022-2023 Kansas Home Visiting Community Readiness Assessment

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My Story



My Story – My Why





The story of the Community Readiness Assessment



Why?

- Ready to expand MIECHV in a few counties
 - Expansion was delayed due to COVID-19 Pandemic
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) which funds MIECHV recommended a Community Readiness Assessment
- 2020 Home Visiting Needs Assessment data was already outdated
 - 2012-2017



All in for Kansas Kids Strategic Plan

Strategy 5.2

Increase capacity and equitable access to early childhood care and education programs and services through policy and administrative directives.

Tactic 5.2.6

Develop recommendations to expand promising and evidence-based home visiting models, and support a statewide home visiting infrastructure with a variety of sustainable home visiting service options that meet the needs of families and communities.





The Home Visiting Community Readiness Assessment



High Need Communities

- Used Kansas 3-year Vital Statistics Birth Risk Data
 - Registered for Medicaid or WIC
 - Unmarried
 - < HS education</p>
 - 20 years old
 - Smoked during or before pregnancy
 - Low birthweight or pre-term birth
 - < than adequate prenatal care or no 1st trimester
- Considered % births with 2+ and 3+ risks



High Need Communities

2019-2021 state-level data for the following need domains:

Social Economic Status

Poverty, HS drop out, HS non-graduation, Unemployment,

Adverse Perinatal Outcomes

Preterm birth, Low birthweight, Inadequate prenatal care, Did not initiate breastfeeding

Substance Use

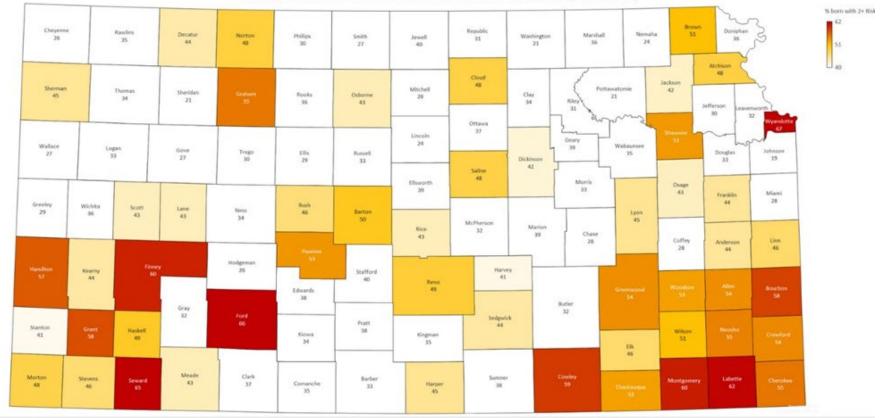
Opioid prescription rates, Maternal smoking

Crime

- Crime rate, Juvenile crime rate
- Domestic Violence
 - Incident rate
- Child Maltreatment
 - Substantiated maltreatment rate



Kansas Birth Risks Heatmap – 2+ risks

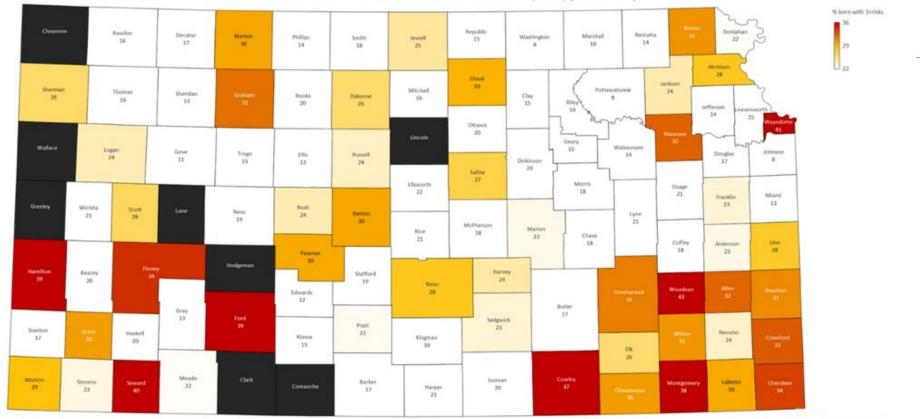


Percent of Children Born in Kansas from 2019-2021 with 2+ Birth Risks by County [40% Statewide]

2+ Risks Heat Map for births 2019-2021



Kansas Birth Risks Heatmap – 3+ risks



Percent of Children Born in Kansas from 2019-2021 with 3+ Birth Risks by County [22% Statewide]

3+ Risks Heat Map for births 2019-2021



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High-Need Domains



Reach

- Gathered community-level families served data from need-based home visiting providers statewide
 - Challenging task



Cheyenne 78%		Rawlins 59%	Decatur 76%	Narton 17%	Phillips 7%	Smith S0%	Jowell 62%	Republic 87%	Washington 100%	Marshall 63%	Nemaha 81%	Brawn 58%	Doniphan 100%	
Sherman 72%		Thomas 70%	Sheridan 15%	Graham 70%	Rooks 10%	Osborne 29%	Mitchell 53%	Cloud 53%	Clay 100%	Pottawa Riley 30%	tomie	Jackson 43%	Atchison 53% Jefferson 68%	anworth 52%
Wallace 100%		garn 196	Gave 72%	Trego 16%	Ellis 76%	Russell 2076	Lincoln 95%	Ottawa 95%	Dickinson 66%	Geary 16%	Vabaunsee 17%	Shawnee 18%	Dauglas 37%	Johnson 74%
Greeley 0%	Wichita 44%	Scott 14%	Lane 100%	Ness 0%	Rush 0%	Barton 25%	Ellaworth 0%	Saline 29%	29%		Lyon 57%	Osagn 39%	Franklin 41%	Miami 53%
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Need-Based Home Visiting Reach



Additional Data

We also sent out a Home Visitor, Supervisor, and Administrator survey to home visiting programs statewide – over 500 responses

We sent out a survey to expecting families and families with children 5 and under – over 500 responses statewide

We used this information to assess readiness for expansion for recommended communities: Allen, Cowley, and Wyandotte

We can hopefully use this information to support building a statewide infrastructure for home visiting and support expansion of home visiting statewide



Questions?





Universal Home Visiting Expansion Highlights

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Year One Progress

Expanded Reach of Universal Home Visiting to:

- Lyon County (CareArc)
- McPherson County (Saline County Health Department)

Expanded Capacity to Reach More Clients in:

Sedgwick County (University of Kansas-Wichita)

Cherokee, Labette, Bourbon, and Crawford counties (Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas)



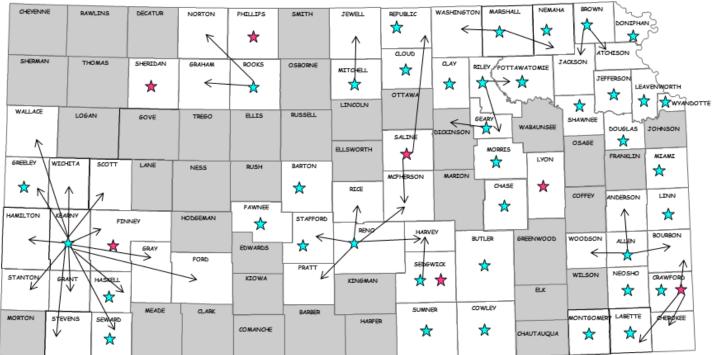
Year Two Progress

Expanded Geographical Reach of Universal Home Visiting to:

- Phillips County (Phillips County Health Department)
- Sheridan County (Sheridan County Health Department)
- Finney County (Finney County Health Department)







☆	Maternal Child Health (MCH) with Home Visiting
★	New Grantee Since Expanding Home Visiting
R	Indicates other counties that are funding partners



New Referral Connections Made

Barton County Health Department-University of Kansas-Great Bend

CareArc-Newman Regional Health

Clay County Health Department-Clay County Medical Center

Neosho County Health Department-Neosho Memorial Regional Medical Center, Pregnancy and Family Resource Center, and My Family

Saline County Health Department-Republic County Hospital family physicians

Seward County Health Department-Southwest Medical Center OBGYN clinic, Liberal Area Rape Crisis Center, and Southwest Guidance Center

Wyandotte County Health Department-conducted outreach at Ronald McDonald House and Clinica San Felipe

University of Kansas-Wichita-Wesley Women's Clinic



Successes From the Field

From University of Kansas-Wichita clients:

a. "I wish that this program was around when I had my first baby. It is really nice to be able to learn the information and find out the resources that are around Wichita. I really appreciate this program." (Age 36)

b. An enrollment of a new mother with no support system stated that the UHVEP has helped her to find the resources she needs for baby. Universal Home Visitor assisted mother with filling out a DCF application for food stamps and helped her to enroll in WIC and Baby Talk. The new mother has stated that she really appreciates the support and feels like she has someone to help her.



Next Steps

- Wider promotion of the funding opportunity
- Increased referrals from community partners
- Increased regional service delivery



Early Childhood Systems Updates



CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND ACCELERATOR

The CPF will fund construction-only efforts to build multi-purpose facilities and has unique requirements that must be met to be eligible due to very direct and specific guidelines from the federal funder, the US Treasury.

- An informational webinar on the <u>Capital Projects Fund (CPF) Accelerator</u> grant will be held on Friday, October 20th at 12pm. Register <u>here</u>!
- KCCTF Accelerator staff will review the criteria as outlined in the <u>CPF Accelerator</u> <u>RFP</u> and take questions to help potential applicants understand what makes a strong and fundable application.
 - The webinar will also be recorded and posted online on the All In for Kansas Kids website by Tuesday, October 24th.





FAMILY VOICE ROUND TABLE SESSIONS

Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) Family Leadership Team invites parents and primary caregivers of children birth through five in your care to attend <u>one</u> session:

- Saturday, November 4th (in English and Spanish)
- Monday, November 6th (in English)
 - *Limit of 50 participants per session*
- Register <u>here</u>!

Engaging with Experts

KANSAS SHARED SERVICES NETWORK

Have you heard? Child Care Aware of Kansas has established a <u>Shared Services Network</u> for licensed Kansas child care programs! This means more supports and lower costs for providers, starting with child care management systems.

- The foundation of most Shared Services Networks is child care management software, which can help providers communicate with families and staff; set up reminders; handle scheduling and calendars; manage billing, reporting, and enrollment; and **much more**!
- CCAKS has partnered with 2 brightwheel and 1 playground to offer this software to KDHE licensed providers at no cost!
- Learn more about/compare these partners <u>here</u> or contact a Shared Services Consultant at <u>info@ks.childcareaware.org</u>.

Child Care Management Systems



KPATA MONTHLY TRAINING SERIES

Monthly training series for teachers and educators, ALL trainings are FREE and available to all current KPATA members!

- Register to become a member <u>here</u>!
- Each month will feature a different topic relevant to early childhood and family issues.
 - o October 19th Perinatal Mental Health
 - November 16th Racial Equity
 - December 14th Autism Within Families
 - o January 18th Prioritize Play

Professional Development



TRAINING SCHEDULE

PARENT EDUCATORS AND COORDINATORS KPATA BRIGHT FUTURES 2023-24



UPCOMING CONFERENCES

Kansas 2023 Breastfeeding Conference

- Located at the Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview in Wichita, KS from October 26-27.
- Day one of the conference will focus on "hot topics" in lactation to provide clinical skills and breastfeeding knowledge for healthcare professionals and others who serve families. Day two will focus on the policies and systems needed to successfully create communities supporting breastfeeding
- Online registration closes this Friday, October 20th, at 5pm. Register <u>here</u> before it's too late!

NAEYC Annual Conference

- Gathering early childhood educators from around the globe to connect, collaborate, and learn together!
- Attend the in-person conference in Nashville, TN from November 15-18.
- Learn more about this year's conference and register <u>here</u>!





REMINDERS AND NEXT STEPS

Children's Cabinet Special Meeting

(Review/Approve Round 1 funding for the CPF Accelerator grants)

Thursday, October 19th – 11:30 am-1:30 pm

Early Childhood Recommendations Panel Meeting

Friday, October 20th – 9 am-11:30 am

Early Childhood Systems Building Webinar

Wednesday, November 15th – 12-1:00 pm

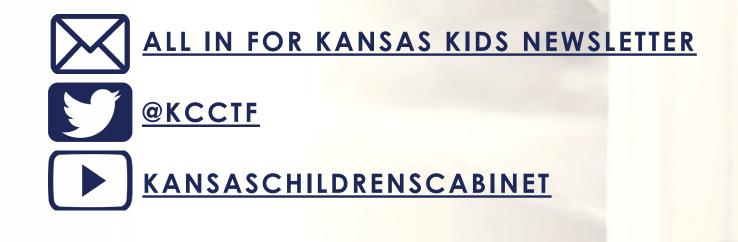
You can find **all** these meetings and more on our Children's Cabinet YouTube channel!

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Stay Up to Date







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