

NH Pediatric Improvement Partnership

Quarterly e-Newsletter

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Welcome to the NHPIP newsletter!

The NHPIP is a state-level multidisciplinary collaborative of private and public partners dedicated to improving the quality of health care received by all NH children through the use of systems and measurement-based quality improvement processes. The NHPIP is coordinated by the Institute for Health Policy and Practice at the University of New Hampshire, with Medical Director leadership from the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth.



Project Updates

Adolescent and Young Adult Health Collaborative Innovation and Improvement Network (AYAH-CoIIN)



The NH Pediatric Improvement Partnership and the NH Division of Public Health Services, Maternal and Child Health Section are collaborating to improve NH adolescent and young adult access to and quality of preventive health care visits as part of the national Adolescent and Young Adult Health Collaborative Innovative and Improvement Network (AYAH CoIIN). The project timeline is from September 2017 to August 2018.

Project goals include:

- 1) Examining how school district policies address adolescent well-visits, and
- 2) Conducting a pilot with two community health centers to assess and identify strategies to enhance their “youth centeredness”.

Data Feature

Visualizing Child Well-being in NH

SPARK NH released a new data tool that brings together data from a variety of domains and data sources to give a picture of the health and well-being of NH families with young children. Geographic granularity varies depending on the data source. Click here to view the [Visualizing Child Well-being in NH](#) tool.



Policy Feature

Categorization of National Pediatric Quality Measures

Dr. Samantha House, NHPIP Medical Director, recently published an article reviewing nationally promoted pediatric quality measures. The study identified a total of 257 unique measures. The study concluded that these measures “are predominated by process measures targeting underuse of health care services. The content represented among these measures is broad, although there remain important gaps.” [Read the article](#)

Case Study

Pediatricians Treating Adolescents with Substance Use Disorders

A recent article published by the Boston Globe highlights one way in which pediatricians in Wareham, Massachusetts are treating the opioid epidemic. [Read the article](#)

Resources

Free SBIRT Training

S•BI•RT (Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment) was recently noted as the most effective public health intervention to help adolescents dealing with the impact of misuse of alcohol and other substances by the [Surgeon General’s Report: Facing Addiction in America](#).

The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, through a grant with Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, has made available a FREE Kognito SBIRT simulation training for health and behavioral health care providers. [Learn more and access the free training](#).



Addressing Oral Health in Pediatric Care – Good, Better, Best!



Dr. Hugh Silk will address the topic of oral health in pediatric care on Tuesday, August 8, 2017, from 12-1 pm via zoom online webinar. This is a timely event through Maine Quality Counts as NHPIP is beginning an oral preventive services learning collaborative in September. For more information about the NHPIP learning collaborative, contact us at nhpip@unh.edu

[Register here for the webinar](#)