

Montana Children’s Health Data Partnership Notes & Next Steps – 9/24/18

Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies convened the Montana Children’s Health Data Partnership Project on September 17, 2018 to develop a data dashboard of ten measures; chosen through a consensus-building process. These notes summarize the groups’ decisions and identifies next steps. For more information, please contact Brie Oliver, HMHB Executive Director.

1. Agreed Upon Measures

Measure	Notes	Follow-Up
Low birth weight babies	None	None
Post-partum visit within 60 days	None	None
Access to quality care/early education	Participants requested that access be defined as 1 measure representing quality workforce or quality care and 1 measure for access to care. Also, a discussion on rolling up data to a composite score	ST: HMHB will work with stakeholders to recommend the 2 measures LT: Build into strategic plan a composite score mechanism
3 rd grade reading	Participants selected this as a proxy for school readiness. We will use this measure until we have identified a school readiness data point.	ST: Use this measure as a placeholder LT: HMHB will work with stakeholders to convene school readiness work group
Immunizations on-time by age 2	None	None
Quality well child check	Participants debated EPSDT, medical home and well-child check, and did not arrive at a satisfactory measure	ST: HMHB will work with stakeholders to recommend approach
Home visits	Participants requested that we develop a way to measure this, considering federal & state-funded home visiting (including Healthy MT families and Early Head Start)	ST: HMHB will work with stakeholders to recommend approach
0-5 Foster care rates	This was added and approved	ST: HMHB work with stakeholders to ID data point
0-5 Homeless rate	This was added and approved	ST: HMHB work with stakeholders to ID data point
WIC rates	This was added and approved – we want to look at eligibility vs usage	ST: HMHB will work with stakeholders to identify data point

2. High Priority Wish List Measures

Measure	Notes	Follow-Up
Gestational age at 1 st prenatal visit	We believe a measure exists	ST: HMHB will work with stakeholders to identify data point
School readiness	Participants acknowledge that a measure does not currently exist but that it is important to try to establish one	LT: HMHB will work with stakeholders to convene school readiness work group
Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS)	It is not currently collected and coded consistently	LT: Build it into the strategic plan

Other wish list measures: children's insurance rates (insured vs. underinsured vs. uninsured); obesity and safe outdoor spaces.

3. Information Only Elements

Participants identified data points that should be included on dashboard reports as FYI.

Number of Early Childhood Coalitions in the State
Children Under 5 Living in Poverty

4. General Notes on the Dashboard

- Make dashboard open so people can use it and add their data
- Break the data down by county
- Break access to infant care out of child care data
- Use GIS as a tool
- Include ACEs data

5. Strategic Plan

Timeline: HMHB will convene a design team this fall to draft a strategic plan. We will then convene a final meeting of the group to review and endorse. (Tentative date for full group is November 15, 2018.)

9/17/18 – Meeting Attendees: Brie Oliver, Sarah Corbally, Stephanie Morton, Deb Halliday, Dr. Jeff Linkenbach, David Croson, Patty Butler, Montana Trust Fund VISTA, Caitlin Jensen, Mark Kelley, Michele Hensen, Tara Ferriter-Smith, James Manganito, Kathy Myers, Lisa Troyer, Roberta Yager, Traci Shinabarger, Gary Gannon, Todd Garrison, Anna Semple, Kathy Helmuth, Pam O'Brien, Trina Filan