

Healthy North Dakota Early Childhood Alliance
Access to Health Insurance and Medical Home

Goal 1: To develop an information and referral process, identification and training program.

Objective: By

Performance Measure/Evaluation:

Data Sources:

Activity #1-1-a: By 20___, convene a program for training.	
Responsible Committee Members	Partners and Roles “Health Benefits Counseling Training” through NDIS
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)	Legislation/Policy
Timeline	Funding/Resources
<p>Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide comprehensive training (potentially at more than one site) for a broad array of human service and early childhood workers/professionals on new and existing programs, including best practices as found in the FVND survey project. • Begin the training with a “state of the state” regarding what is now, already available; follow with information about gaps and what is needed in the future. • Charge no or low registration fee and offer continuing education credits to increase appeal and attendance. 	

Activity #1-1-b: By 20___, develop public relations messages.	
Responsible Committee Members	Partners and Roles
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)	Legislation/Policy
Timeline	Funding/Resources
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges	
Activity #1-1-c: By 20___, develop a benefits planning system.	
Responsible Committee Members Helen Danielson Jodi Hulm Kora Dockter Cheryle Masset-Martz	Partners and Roles Bridge to Benefits 1877KIDSNOW NDIS Health Benefits Counseling Module ND Insurance Dept. CHAT
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)	Legislation/Policy N/A
Timeline	Funding/Resources ECCS,

Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges

- Provide targeted training for 1877KIDSNOW staff to address common or reoccurring questions that are difficult to answer.
- Research opportunity for making web-based information more user-friendly (example used was www.healthystepsnd.com)
- Explore potential for a link for families on the homepage of www.nd.gov

Output: A partnership with the HNDECA Stakeholders to produce an accurate website.
A working benefits planning system.

Outcomes: Short term: Convening of a discussion regarding development of website tools.
Long term: A usable process for people to receive accurate, timely information.

Goal 1-2: To clarify a needs assessment process and to identify screening needs.

Objective: *By*

Performance Measure/Evaluation:

Data Sources:

Activity #1-2-a: By 20___, develop survey to assess HNDECA members and others regarding what screenings (for all populations of children) are required, optional and commonly utilized.

Responsible Committee Members

Partners and Roles

Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)		Legislation/Policy	
Timeline	Funding/Resources		
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges			
Activity #1-2-b: By 20___, assess where the gaps are in screening services.			
Responsible Committee Members		Partners and Roles	
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)		Legislation/Policy	
Timeline	Funding/Resources		
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges			
Activity #1-2-c: By 20___, assess the best practices and determine which screenings are evidence based.			

Responsible Committee Members		Partners and Roles	
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)		Legislation/Policy	
Timeline	Funding/Resources		
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges			

Activity #1-2-d: By 20___, convene a cross-section of HNDECA members to receive the report and begin implementation of best practices.			
Responsible Committee Members		Partners and Roles	
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)		Legislation/Policy	
Timeline	Funding/Resources		
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges			

Activity #1-2-e: By 20___, to research the potential implementation of the Bright Futures Program statewide. (activity ADDED as of May 10, 2010)	
Responsible Committee Members Jodi Hulm	Partners and Roles
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)	Legislation/Policy
Timeline	Funding/Resources
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training will be held in multiple locations around the state. • The training should be done in concert with NDSEDA training on specific mental health screening tools (already included in the Bright Futures Program). • Cheryle will explore the potential for pooling funds (HNDECA, MCH, NDSEDA, NDCPD, etc.) to plan for and implement the trainings. 	

Output: Decisions about recommended use of screening tools to assure healthy children.
Exploration of potential traction for universal screening.

Outcomes: Short term: Convening of a cross-section of HNDECA members who are interested/knowledgeable in assessment and screening.
Long term: An inventory of evidence-based recommended tools that promote intervention and prevention. Greater involvement by the members of the American Academy of Pediatrics in this initiative..

Goal 1-3: To sustain the Medical Home program.

Objective: *By 20___*

Performance Measure/Evaluation:

Data Sources:

Activity #1-3-a: By 20___, NDECA supports the Integrated Services Grant program as the lead group in medical.	
Responsible Committee Members	Partners and Roles
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)	Legislation/Policy
Timeline	Funding/Resources Need for funding to sustain the program through legislative appropriations (for Medicaid)
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges	
Activity #1-3-b: By 20___, integration of health into other transition activities.	
Responsible Committee Members	Partners and Roles
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)	Legislation/Policy

Timeline	Funding/Resources	
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges		
Activity #1-3-c: By 20___, explore development of legislation to support medical home in the future.		
Responsible Committee Members	Partners and Roles	
Performance Measures/Evaluation (list data source)	Legislation/Policy	
Timeline	Funding/Resources	
Strategies to overcome barriers/challenges		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is important to engage and educate support organizations to promote legislation. • Use information from the seven (7) existing medical home pilot sites regarding their feedback. • Dr. Rathge will work with Kora and Tania to develop the questions and design the shorter survey tool in the time to inform the legislative process. 		

Output: A disease management system that includes quality improvement systems and involves parent/family participation.

Outcomes: Short term: A decrease in hospitalizations, overall health care costs and reduction in provision of unnecessary services.
 Long term: All North Dakotans have a medical home.