

# Brief Program Descriptions and Glossary of Abbreviations – Maryland Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities Planning Grant 2013 Meetings

## ***Brief Program Descriptions***

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### **B-HIPP (Maryland Behavioral Health Integration in Pediatric Primary Care)**

*Maryland Behavioral Health Integration in Pediatric Primary Care (B-HIPP)* aims to support the efforts primary care providers (PCP), including pediatricians, family physicians, nurse practitioners and physician's assistants, in assessing and managing mental health concerns in their patients from infancy through the transition to young-adulthood. B-HIPP provides 1) **phone consultation service** between PCPs and child mental health specialists; 2) **continuing education** for PCPs to build their skills; 3) **referral & resource networking** by increasing linkages between PCPs and other community-based services; 4) **social work co-location** pilot in Salisbury placing social work interns in four pediatric practices.

### **Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund**

***Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund*** is a financial assistance program for families whose children have an illness or condition otherwise uncovered by insurance, State or Federal programs, or other source, such as fundraising. The Fund is intended to assist in preserving a family's ability to cope with the responsibilities which accompany a child's significant health problems. Currently two states (NJ & MA) have such plans.

### **Children's Developmental Clinic**

The *Children's Developmental Clinic* is for children birth through twelve years of age who are experiencing a delay or disability in the following: gross and fine motor development, receptive and expressive language, reading development and social skills. The Children's Developmental Clinic provides services for children in the areas of motor, language, reading and social skills. A nine week session is available during the fall and spring semesters at Prince George's Community College (PGCC) and the University of Maryland. A five week summer session is also available at PGCC. Parent education is a requirement of the program. Fees are included. The Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) also has a clinic.

### **Family-Led Policy Influence**

*Family-Led Policy Influence* refers to a grassroots, family-led advocacy network that focuses on policy issues such as adequate insurance and financing for children with ASD or other DD. Ideas include hiring a policy coordinator to build a "policy influence" infrastructure for CYSHCN issues in Maryland. Main functions would be to facilitate the training of families to be comfortable meeting with legislators; make sure families have meetings with their legislators; track these meetings, get information out to families when specific legislation is being considered that would impact CYSHCN, mobilize those families and support families contact their legislators about specific legislation. Maryland Health Leaders sponsored by Parents' Place is such a network that could be expanded. Goals include to: 1) Educate legislators & regulatory agency on the costs incurred by families with children with special health care needs & the

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effects of lower reimbursement rates on the availability of service providers; and 2) Include families of CYSHCN on decision-making bodies charged with determining levels of mandatory coverage of CYSHCN.

### ***Health Enterprise Zone (HEZ), Prince George’s Health Department, Capitol Heights***

The proposal submitted by Prince George’s County Health Department focuses on Capitol Heights, a neighborhood that leads the county in poor health outcomes, including low birth weight, late/ no prenatal care, and teen births, and is comprised of 95 percent racial/ ethnic minorities. This proposal would create five new patient-centered medical homes in the Zone to serve a minimum of 10,000 residents, and would add a total of 25 new providers.

### ***Health Enterprise Zone (HEZ) in Lexington Park, St. Mary’s County***

MedStar St. Mary’s Hospital, Greater Lexington Park proposal includes a new community health care center and five new primary care practitioners, one psychiatrist and two licensed social workers in the zone. The plan also includes the development of a health care transportation route to address barriers to accessing health care in this rural area of the state.

### **Maggie’s Light Foundation**

***Maggie’s Light Foundation*** is a Maryland non-profit organization which supports Maryland families, caring for their children and young adults with special needs. Their primary focus is respite care.

### **Medicaid Buy-In**

A *Medicaid Buy-In* program allows families of children with special needs to ‘buy-in’ to Medicaid coverage for a child even though they don’t financially qualify. Five states currently have this option for families of CSHCN.

### **Medical Home**

A family-centered *Medical Home* is not a building, house, hospital, or home healthcare service, but rather an approach to providing comprehensive primary care. In a family-centered medical home the pediatric care team works in partnership with a child and a child’s family to assure that all of the medical and non-medical needs of the patient are met. Maryland began a 3-year program, the Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH), to test this new model of care in 2011, with 52 primary and multispecialty practices and federally-qualified health centers (FQHCs) located across the state.

### **Multi-Disciplinary Clinic**

A ***Multi-Disciplinary Clinic*** offers families an opportunity to see many different providers in one place at one time for multidisciplinary team evaluations or services.

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### ***Project ACT: Helping Children with Special Needs/Abilities Network***

Project ACT (All Children Together) provides child care centers, Head Start programs, family care providers and preschool to elementary school classrooms with support in fostering school success and healthy development for all children. The services provided by Project ACT include Training and Technical Assistance, Technical Assistance for Inclusive Practices Resource Room, Customized Services on the Fee for Service Basis, Early Childhood Consultative Services, and Autism Inclusion Project. The major concerns addressed by this program include challenging behavior, separation anxiety, difficulty with peer interaction, aggression, extreme shyness, trouble following classroom routines, problems with attention, and developmental concerns.

### **Provider Training**

*Provider Training* involves training primary care providers; allied health/habilitative services providers (OT, PT, Speech, etc); school teachers, staff, and administrators; child care and respite care providers on: 1) how to best meet the needs of children with ASD/DD and their families; and 2) medical billing and coding.

### **Regional Hub**

A ***Regional Hub*** is a central point for assistance in accessing services, information, and resources.

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### *Glossary of Abbreviations*

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The Arc	The Arc	<p>The largest national community-based organization advocating and serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. The Arc encompasses all ages and all spectrums from autism, Down Syndrome, Fragile X and various other developmental disabilities.</p> <p>The Arc has 10 local chapters in Maryland.</p>	<a href="http://www.thearc.org">http://www.thearc.org</a>
B-HIPP	Maryland Behavioral Health Integration in Pediatric Primary Care	B-HIPP aims to support the efforts of primary care providers, including pediatricians, family physicians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants, in assessing and managing mental health concerns in their patients from infancy through the transition to young adulthood.	<a href="http://web.jhu.edu/pedmentalhealth/BHIPP">http://web.jhu.edu/pedmentalhealth/BHIPP</a>
CARD	Center for Autism and Related Disorders	The Center for Autism and Related Disorders at Kennedy Krieger Institute combines research, clinical services, a therapeutic day program, and training programs to enrich lives of children with autism, empower patients and promote well-being of families through evidence-based practices.	<a href="http://www.kennedykrieger.org/patient-care/patient-care-centers/center-autism-and-related-disorders">http://www.kennedykrieger.org/patient-care/patient-care-centers/center-autism-and-related-disorders</a>
CNMC CCP	Children’s National Medical Center	The Complex Care Program at Children’s National Medical Center has been providing a	<a href="http://www.childrensnational.org">http://www.childrensnational.org</a>

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	, Complex Care Program	'medical home' for children and youth with special health care needs since 2002. A "medical home" is defined as family-centered, coordinated, compassionate, comprehensive, and continuous care for children with special health care needs.	
CoC	Maryland Consortium for Children with Special Health Care Needs	A working group of diverse stakeholders, the CoC offers a forum for information exchange, problem solving, consensus building, and collaborative action to address gaps and barriers in services for children and youth with special health care needs and their families.	<a href="http://marylandcoc.com/">http://marylandcoc.com/</a>
DD Council	Developmental Disabilities Council	The Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council is a public policy organization that advocates for the inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in all facets of community life.	<a href="http://www.md-council.org/">http://www.md-council.org/</a>
EPSDT (DHMH)	Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene)	The mission of the Maryland Healthy Kids/ Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment program is to promote access to and assure availability of quality health care for children, teens and young adults less than 21 years of age who are enrolled in Maryland	<a href="http://dhmh.maryland.gov/epsdt">http://dhmh.maryland.gov/epsdt</a>

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		Medicaid.	
ITP	Maryland Infants and Toddlers Program	Maryland Infants and Toddlers program directs a family-centered system of early intervention services for young children with developmental delays and disabilities— and their families.	<a href="http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/earlyinterv/infant_toddlers">http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/earlyinterv/infant_toddlers</a>
KFICCC	The Karasik and Family, Infant & Child Care Center at The Arc of Montgomery County	An inclusive, family-centered child care program integrating typically-developing children, children with developmental disabilities and children with chronic medical conditions. The staff includes pediatric registered nurses, trained child care providers, and a family worker who provides case management services.	<a href="http://thearcmontgomerycounty.org/program-services/children/family-infant-and-child-care-center.html">http://thearcmontgomerycounty.org/program-services/children/family-infant-and-child-care-center.html</a>
LEAH	Leadership Education in Adolescent Health	Funded by the MCHB (HRSA), LEAH programs are devoted to the health and well-being of adolescents in the United States. The 7 nationwide LEAH programs educate and mentor the next generation of leaders in adolescent health who will influence public policy and public health experts, and train clinicians, investigators and educators. Johns Hopkins University is a LEAH site.	<a href="http://leah.mchtraining.net/about/">http://leah.mchtraining.net/about/;</a> <a href="http://leah.mchtraining.net/programs/jhu/">http://leah.mchtraining.net/programs/jhu/</a>
LEND	Maternal and Child Health Leadership Education in	The purpose of the LEND program is to improve the health of infants, children, and	<a href="http://www.kennedykrieger.org/professional-training/professional-training-">http://www.kennedykrieger.org/professional-training/professional-training-</a>

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	Neurodevelopmental and Other Related Disabilities (LEND) Program – at Kennedy Krieger Institute	adolescents who have, or are at risk for developing, neurodevelopmental and other related disabilities through training programs to prepare trainees from a wide variety of professional disciplines to assume leadership roles and to ensure high levels of interdisciplinary clinical competence and a culturally diverse workforce.	<a href="http://programs/maternal-and-child-health-leadership-education">programs/maternal-and-child-health-leadership-education</a>
LHDs	Local Health Departments	Each of Maryland’s 24 local jurisdictions (counties and Baltimore City) has a local health department.	<a href="http://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/01glance/html/healoc.html">http://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/01glance/html/healoc.html</a>
MCDD	The Maryland Center for Developmental Disabilities	The Maryland Center for Developmental Disabilities aims at maximizing potential and creating change to increase the capacity of the community to incorporate state-of-the-art advances so that persons of any age with, or at risk for, developmental disabilities can achieve independence, productivity, and inclusion within their communities.	<a href="http://mcdd.kennedykrieger.org/">http://mcdd.kennedykrieger.org/</a>
MCF	Maryland’s Coalition of Families for Children’s Mental Health	The Maryland’s Coalition of Families is dedicated to building a family-driven network of information and support, and improving services in all systems of care for youth and their families.	<a href="http://www.mdcoalition.org/">http://www.mdcoalition.org/</a>

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MD AAP	The Maryland Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics	MD AAP's mission is to support and encourage pediatricians in the promotion of optimal health for all of Maryland's children and adolescents.	<a href="http://www.mdaap.org/who_we_are.html">http://www.mdaap.org/who_we_are.html</a>
MDLC	Maryland Disability Law Center	Maryland Disability Law Center is a non-profit advocacy organization that provides free legal services to Marylanders of any age with any type of disability: developmental, intellectual, learning, psychiatric, physical, etc., who live in facilities, in the community or who are homeless.	<a href="http://www.mdclaw.org/about-us/">http://www.mdclaw.org/about-us/</a>
MD PCO	The Maryland Primary Care Office	The MD PCO's mission is to improve access to health services for all Marylanders by developing partnerships; building local resources; supporting effective health care resources; developing shortage designations; recruiting and retaining health professionals; promoting relevant state and national health policies; and reducing health disparities.	<a href="http://phpa.dhmdh.maryland.gov/ohpp/StatePages/pco-about.aspx">http://phpa.dhmdh.maryland.gov/ohpp/StatePages/pco-about.aspx</a>
MFN	Maryland Family Network	Maryland Family Network works with parents, child care providers, advocates, employers, and policymakers to expand and enhance the early childhood education and child care available to Maryland's children.	<a href="http://www.mdchildcare.org/mdcfc/mcc.html">http://www.mdchildcare.org/mdcfc/mcc.html</a>



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MHEC	Maryland Higher Education Commission	Maryland Higher Education Commission is Maryland's higher education coordinating board, responsible for establishing statewide policies for Maryland public and private colleges and universities and for-profit career schools. MHEC also administers state financial aid programs that affect students on a statewide basis.	<a href="http://www.mhec.state.md.us/">http://www.mhec.state.md.us/</a>
MOST Network	The Maryland Out of School Time Network	MOST Network is comprised of community members and groups campaigning for expanded funding, more effective policies, and increased program quality to ensure all young people in Maryland have access to activities in the out of school hours that enable them to achieve in all stages of their development.	<a href="http://www.mdoutofschooltime.org/">http://www.mdoutofschooltime.org/</a>
MSDE/ RttT	Maryland State Department of Education/ Race to the Top program	The Race to the Top program is aimed at boosting student achievement, reducing gaps in achievement among student subgroups, turning around struggling schools, and improving the teaching profession.	<a href="http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/programs/race_to_the_top">http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/programs/race_to_the_top</a>
MWPH	Mount Washington Pediatric Hospital	This hospital evaluates and treats children with a variety of diagnoses in outpatient, inpatient and day treatment programs.	<a href="http://www.mwph.org/">http://www.mwph.org/</a>

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OGPSHCN	Office for Genetics and People with Special Health Care Needs (Department of Health and Mental Hygiene)	OGPSHCN’s mission is to assure a comprehensive, coordinated, culturally effective, and consumer-friendly system of care that meets the needs of Maryland's CYSHCN and their families.	<a href="http://phpa.dhmh.maryland.gov/genetics">http://phpa.dhmh.maryland.gov/genetics</a>
OWCA	The One World Center for Autism	The One World Center for Autism is a non-profit organization with a mission to link those living with autism in Prince George’s County to their world through family support, informational resources, community awareness, and individual therapeutic and medical care.	<a href="http://www.worldforautism.info/">http://www.worldforautism.info/</a>
PACT	PACT: Helping Children with Special Needs at Kennedy Krieger Institute	PACT is a medical day care program that aims to promote the development of young children with special needs and their families through programs providing comprehensive assessments, early intervention services, family support services, parent education, counseling and specialized childcare.	<a href="http://www.pact.kennedykrieger.org">http://www.pact.kennedykrieger.org</a>
PATH	University of Maryland Pediatrics at the Harbor (PATH)	This general pediatric practice, staffed by pediatricians from the University of Maryland Children's Hospital, provides comprehensive primary care to children from birth to age 21.	<a href="http://www.umm.edu/pediatrics/harbor.htm">http://www.umm.edu/pediatrics/harbor.htm</a>

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PCMH	Patient Centered Medical Home	The PCMH is a model of practice in which a team of health professionals, guided by a primary care provider, provides continuous, comprehensive, and coordinated care in a culturally and linguistically sensitive manner to patients throughout their lives. The PCMH provides for all of a patient’s health care needs, or collaborates with other qualified professionals to meet those needs.	<a href="http://mhcc.maryland.gov/pcmh/">http://mhcc.maryland.gov/pcmh/</a>
PFA	Pathfinders for Autism	Pathfinders for Autism is a non-profit organization that strives to improve lives of children with autism through a variety of free programs and services, including information resources, trainings, recreation services, etc.	<a href="http://www.pathfindersforautism.org/">http://www.pathfindersforautism.org/</a>
PGCC	Prince George’s Community College	Prince George’s Community College’s Children’s Developmental Clinic provides services for children in the areas of motor, language, reading and social skills.	<a href="http://www.pgcc.edu">http://www.pgcc.edu</a>
PGITP	Prince George’s County Infants and Toddlers Program		<a href="http://pgcitp.homestead.com/">http://pgcitp.homestead.com/</a>
PPMD	The Parents’ Place of Maryland	The Parents’ Place of Maryland helps families obtain appropriate education, health care, and services for their children with disabilities; works to improve education and health care for all children, trains and informs	<a href="http://www.ppmd.org">http://www.ppmd.org</a>

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		parents and professionals on various subjects, and connects children with disabilities to community resources that address their needs.	
RttT ELC	Race to the Top – Early Learning Challenge/ Maryland State Department of Education	The Race to the Top-Early Learning Challenge (RTT-ELC) program aims to improve the quality of early learning and development and close the achievement gap for children with high needs.	<a href="http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/challenge">http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/challenge</a>