Los Angeles County Perinatal and Early Childhood Home Visitation Consortium (LACPECHVC)

2018 Workgroup Accomplishments

**Referrals Workgroup**
- [IN PROGRESS] Updated and promoted a Resource Directory of Home Visiting Programs on the Consortium website – with 635 unique users as of December 2018 - and continued to promote it with service providers throughout the County.
- Hosted a webinar-based training for home visitors with the Child Care Resource Center and Child Care Alliance and distributed resources on helping families access subsidized child care.
- Hosted a webinar-based training for home visitors with Maternal and Child Health Access and distributed resources on helping families access the new Medi-Cal Non-Medical Transportation benefit.
- Created and shared a Countywide resource list of subsidized transportation services.
- Hosted a webinar-based training for home visitors with the Department of Mental Health (DMH) and distributed resources on helping families access mental health services.
- [IN PROGRESS] Began work on consolidating Countywide lists of housing resources that are already available.
- [IN PROGRESS] Began collaboration with DPSS and LAHSA to conduct a housing resources webinar on helping families access temporary and permanent housing.
- [IN PROGRESS] Facilitated “meet-and-greets” with the DMH Mental Health Navigators and the home visitors in SPAs 1, 4, 6, 7 and 8 during the Mental Health First Aid trainings.

**Best Practices Workgroup**
- Based on findings from the 2017 *Best Practice Recommendations Home Visiting Program Self-Assessment*, developed the *Recommendations for Facilitating Home Visiting Program Peer Support*, and shared with Consortium members and managers and supervisors of each model (along with model-specific Assessment findings).
- Completed a Training Collaboration Pilot with several organizations to test the feasibility of members opening trainings up to other home visiting programs.
- Created a comprehensive list of home visiting workforce needs to inform future research and investments in the expanded Countywide system.
- Drafted and administered a survey of parent and family social supports offered by home visiting programs, at the request of the Board of Supervisors’ motion planning committee.
- Drafted and administered the 2018 Annual Training Survey. The results were consolidated into two reports (by LABBN volunteer, Bill Shennum, PhD): Report 1 addressed to program directors, managers and supervisors; and Report 2 summarized home visitors’ training needs. Based on the survey findings, the top 10
training needs were identified by the respondents. The Workgroup determined which organizations can provide the trainings requested and they will occur in 2019.

- [IN PROGRESS] Worked with DMH to offer Mental Health First Aid trainings to home visitors from all major models in SPAs 1, 4, 6, 7 and 8, and administered post-training surveys to assess additional training needs.
- [IN PROGRESS] Currently serving as a resource for the compensation analysis project through First 5 LA’s hired consultant, Center for Nonprofit Management.

**Data Workgroup**
- Launched full-scale outcome data collection of FY 16-17 data with 6 out of 7 major home visiting models in LA County.
- [IN PROGRESS] Completed pilot descriptive data collection of FY 16-17 data with 5 out of 7 major home visiting models in LA County, and launched full-scale descriptive data collection.
- Identified and compiled LA County, California, and/or national comparison points for home visiting outcome data.
- Drafted multi-pager narrative about the development of the indicators, the pilot process, and the purpose and objectives of Countywide data collection.
- Drafted a one-pager statistical summary of the comparison points, a one-page introductory overview, and a comparison report, retitled the LACPECHVC Benchmark Data Outcome Measures for FY16-17.

**Advocacy Workgroup**
- Based on the Advocacy Guidelines detailing LACPECHVC protocols for public policy advocacy, the Workgroup drafted and finalized a Policy & Advocacy Platform for the Consortium.
- Used the Advocacy Guidelines to take an official position in support of AB 11, AB 992, and the CalWorks Home Visiting Initiative included in the Governor’s budget.
- Developed and hosted an “Advocacy 101” webinar for Consortium members.
- [IN PROGRESS] Developed an Advocacy Strategy to inform audience, activities, and messaging in support of approved policies/legislation.

**2018 LACPECHVC Accomplishments**

- Maintained an online Consortium presence via the website: [http://homevisitingla.org](http://homevisitingla.org).
- Completed 2019 Action Plans for all six Strategic Goals.
- The Consortium Coordinator conducted educational sessions with multiple non-member organizations and community groups to talk about the Consortium’s work and share resources, including:
  - Central Long Beach Home Visiting Collaborative
  - DMH Birth to Five Coordinators from across LA County
  - Regional Hospital Breastfeeding Coalitions (South and West – North was done twice in 2017)
  - Prevention & Aftercare Networks’ Case Navigators (three presentations)
County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency – Central & South Regions Home Visitation Collaborative

- The Consortium Coordinator continued to serve on the LA County Child Care Planning Committee and its Joint Committee on Legislation through June 2018.
- Co-hosted a convening with community providers and stakeholders to gather input on the response to the Board of Supervisors’ home visiting motion (January 16, 2018).
- Actively participated in research for and development of response to Board of Supervisors’ motion.
- Presented a poster about the Countywide home visiting work in response to the Board of Supervisors’ motion with First 5 LA and the LACDPH at the Seventh National Summit on Quality in Home Visiting Programs.
- Contributed to the development of Maternal Mental Health NOW’s updated and revised policy recommendations.
- Hosted a webinar with The Children’s Partnership and the UCLA School of Dentistry about perinatal and early childhood oral health issues and how home visitors can support their families in good oral health behaviors and access to care.
- The Consortium Coordinator was invited to participate in the development of the LA Compact’s new Early Childhood Goal.
- Worked with LA County DMH to open and publicize trainings and meetings of the SPA-based Birth to Five Collaboratives to home visiting programs in their regions.
- New Consortium members:
  - The Children’s Partnership
  - Save the Children
  - Council for a Strong America
  - Breastfeed LA
  - [IN PROGRESS] Pacific Clinics Head Start and Early Head Start Program