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UPCOMING EVENTS:

1. FICCIT Quarterly Meeting Announcement

June 24, 2014, 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM EST

This meeting will be held via teleconference and webinar.

Call-in Toll-Free Number: 1-888-670-3525

Participant Passcode: 6272156732 then #

Please also join the online meeting by clicking the link (enter as Guest):

<https://floridanewbornscreening.adobeconnect.com/esso/>

2. Learn the Signs. Act Early. Webinar

Friday, June 27 - 1 EDT, 12 CDT, 11 MDT, 10 PDT

You are invited to participate in this ECTA Center webinar which will feature the “*Learn the Signs. Act Early.*” campaign. You will learn about the program components, tools, and resources. And you will learn how these tools and resources have been used in coordinated, cross sector developmental monitoring, screening and Child Find to improve early identification for children with autism and other developmental disabilities. [LTSAE Factsheet](#).

Please feel free to share this announcement with appropriate audiences.

URL: <http://tadnet.adobeconnect.com/childfind/>

Please [find and use a local phone number](#) to join the webinar. If there is no local number for your area, you may use this toll-free number:

888-387-8686, Conference Code 1386653

MEDICAID UPDATES:

3. Medicaid Alerts and Questions

The Florida Medicaid program has an e-mail alert system to supplement the present method of receiving Provider Alerts information and to alert registered subscribers of "late-breaking" health care information. You will receive an email when Medicaid policy clarifications or other health care information is available that is appropriate for your selected area and provider type. Visit the **Florida Medicaid's Health Care Alerts** page at <http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/alerts/alerts.shtml> to subscribe, unsubscribe, or update your subscription.

4. Early Intervention Services/Part C Medicaid Liaisons

Please see attached list for area liaison contact information. Please note that Area 2b is being closed at the end of June.

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MEDICAID UPDATES, CONTINUED:

5. CMS Network on the AHCA SMMC Website — New & Updated Materials as of June 5, 2014

AHCA has added a summary of the CMSN Specialty Plan to their SMMC MMA website. They have also revised their Frequently Asked Questions. Immediately below is the link to the pdf about the CMSN Specialty Plan and to AHCA's SMMC MMA website. There is also a tab at the top labeled "News and Events" where you can find information about upcoming AHCA webinars and materials from past webinars.

[http://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/statewide_mc/pdf/mma/Children Medical Services Snapshot 2014-06-05.pdf](http://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/statewide_mc/pdf/mma/Children_Medical_Services_Snapshot_2014-06-05.pdf)

http://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/statewide_mc/mmahome.shtml

6. MMA Webinars for the Week of June 16, 2014

The Agency for Health Care Administration will be hosting five webinars this week to provide potential network providers and the public the knowledge and understanding of the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) Program. These webinars will focus on the following areas:

RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION, MANAGED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, LTC & MMA: PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER, PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS IN MMA, AND TRANSITIONING TO MANAGED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE.

For a complete list of upcoming webinars, including dates, times, and call-in details, please refer to the [News and Events Calendar](#). If you have additional topics you would like to see covered, please forward them to

FLMedicaidManagedCare@ahca.myflorida.com.

INFORMATION & RESOURCES:

7. FOA for Early Head Start Expansion & Early Head Start Child Care Partnership Grants

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) announced a new \$500 million funding opportunity to expand access to high-quality, comprehensive services for low-income infants and toddlers and their families. This funding will support the creation of Early Head Start-Child Care (EHS-CC) Partnerships and the expansion of Early Head Start (EHS) services to children and families. You can find the

[funding opportunity announcement \(FOA\)](#) on ACF's funding opportunities site. Applicants have 75 days to submit their grant proposals, as described in the FOA, online through www.grants.gov.

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LES & ESSO STAFF HIGHLIGHT

8. Please Submit Your Employee and/or LES Spotlight

Please submit items for recognition of major accomplishments, awards, and milestones reached by either **LES/ESSO Employees** OR **Local Early Steps Programs**. All entries must be emailed to Katie Williams and Patricia Herring by 5:00 EST on Tuesdays. The subject line should read "ESSO Weekly Memo Entry." **Please include a picture when possible.**

9. Bay Area Family Resource Specialists

Submitted by Sue Cannon

All Family Resource Specialists have unique methods to provide information to the community about who they are and how they can assist families. Attached are two brochures developed by the Bay Area Early Steps that introduce two relatively new FRS's to families and the community.



Alex DeMolina with her daughter,
Kiersta (3 years old)



Evelyn Figueroa with her son,
Eddie (12 years old)



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