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1. Hearing Me - Health & Hearing Fair in Orlando

The second annual Hearing Me - Health & Hearing Fair will be held on July 28th, 2013 from 9:00 am—2:00 pm in Orlando at The Developmental Center for Infants & Children/Early Steps. A wide array of professionals will be available to provide consultation and resources. This event is free and open to the public, but space is limited. Please see [attached flyer](#) for details and RSVP information.

2. System of Family Involvement Webinar (with two attachments)

The System of Family Involvement Webinar will take place on **Friday, July 12, 2013 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am (EST)**. To join the webinar, you will need to go to <http://floridanewbornscreening.adobeconnect.com/esso1/> (sign in as “guest”) **AND call 1-888-670-3525/participant code: 6861777454 #.**

The webinar will include the following:

- Brief history of Florida’s Early Steps family involvement systems
- Roles of the Early Steps State Parent Consultants
- Roles of Family Resource Specialists, including revisions
- System of Family Involvement Plan purpose, overview of document, examples for use, submission requirements and timelines, and revised review and technical assistance process
- Next steps
- Questions/Answers

Two documents highlighting the upcoming changes are attached (to the ESSO Weekly Memo email) for your review prior and during the webinar. We request mandatory participation by all Family Resource Specialists and invite participation from Director’s/Coordinator’s, supervisors, service coordinators, providers, families, and other interested parties.

If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Rogers at Kelly_Rogers@doh.state.fl.us.

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MEDICAID UPDATES:

3. Medicaid Alerts and Questions

The Florida Medicaid program has created 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. An e-mail will be delivered to your mailbox 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 to subscribe now, or to unsubscribe or update your subscription at any time. Please direct questions about Medicaid policies to your local Medicaid area office. The Medicaid area offices' addresses and phone numbers are available on the [Area Offices](#) web page.

4. ICD-10 Impact Assessment Survey - Have You Started Yet?

To continue with preparation for the nationwide ICD-10 implementation date of October 1, 2014 and to measure the amount of progress that has been made, the Agency for Health Care Administration, along with its fiscal agent, HP Enterprise Services, invites our provider communities and partners to participate in the survey "Have You Started ICD-10 Impact Assessment?"

Florida Medicaid continues to prepare for the mandated transition to the ICD-10 diagnosis code set. An impact assessment of Medicaid as a payer has been completed, and work is underway to transition the current diagnosis codes in Florida Medicaid policy and the claims processing system to ICD-10. This transition cannot be successful unless our Medicaid partners are ready to use the new codes on October 1, 2014. As Medicaid diagnosis code changes are finalized, helpful ICD-10 documents and training materials will be posted to the [Public Web Portal](#).

Note: This survey is only for providers that are currently required to report ICD-9 codes and will have to implement ICD-10.

To participate in the survey, please click [here](#).

The Agency for Health Care Administration wishes to thank you for your continued care of our Medicaid recipients. Your participation in Florida Medicaid ICD-10 surveys is appreciated.

5. Medicaid Training Opportunities Available in Tampa

The Area Six Medicaid Office is offering Medicaid provider training opportunities in Tampa during the month of July 2013.

- The MediPass and Child Health Check-Up training will be held on July 10, 2013 from 9am to 12pm.
- The CMS-1500 training will be held on July 16, 2013 from 9am to 12pm.

The training location is the Area Six Medicaid office at 6800 North Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 220, Tampa, FL 33614.

To download a copy of the Area Six training calendar, visit [Florida Medicaid web portal](#) and click on Area Office 6, then go to the link for Area 6 Provider Training Calendar. To register for training sessions, please visit [Training and/or Public Meetings/Workshops](#). Click on Tampa, and choose the desired training session.

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INFORMATION AND RESOURCES:

6. ASL Interactive - Online Courses Available

ASL Interactive is an opportunity for families and professionals to learn American Sign Language (ASL) through an online video chat room setting. This course is free to family members and professionals communicating and working directly with deaf children.

Click [HERE](#) or visit the link below for more information.

http://library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1105280230861-282/ASLOnlineCoursesFlyer_R.pdf

STAFF AND LES SPOTLIGHT:

7. New Guidelines

This section of the ESSO Weekly Memo will now be used for recognition of major accomplishments, awards, and milestones reached by **either LES/ESSO staff OR local 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.**

BUREAU UPDATE:

8. Training Unit Update

The training team is currently focused on the planning and coordination of our *Partnering for Success* statewide training event in November. **PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR SAVE THE DATE FLYER.** As you know, there is much effort involved in planning a successful conference. For example, we have negotiated rates with the hotel, confirmed our keynote speakers, developed flyers, identified sponsors/vendors, and are currently working on the program agenda and the breakout sessions. Our goal is to provide a collaborative professional development opportunity for professionals in the field of early intervention and early care and education.

We would like to acknowledge our partners this year:

- Florida Department of Health, Children's Medical Services, Bureau of Child Protection /Special Technology
- Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services
- The Office of Early Learning
- Florida's Head Start State Collaboration Office

A special thanks to the FSU Center for Prevention and Early Intervention Policy and the Florida Children's Forum for providing administrative support. This comprehensive training event will be the result of coordinated efforts between these agencies.

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PROGRAM MANAGER INFORMATION:

9. List of Program Managers and their Contact Information

The assigned program manager at ESSO is the primary contact person for the LES to submit questions, issues or concerns to. The program manager will be responsible for responding to the LES and prior to responding, will inform and involve others in the ESSO, when necessary, to assist in clarifying or resolving the issue.

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Parent Infant/
Toddler
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Community
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Hearing  Me

Health & Hearing Fair

A special opportunity to meet the professionals who can provide services and resources for children who are deaf / hard of hearing.

DATE: Saturday, August 3, 2013

TIME: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

LOCATION: The Developmental Center for Infants & Children/Early Steps
601 W. Michigan St., Orlando, FL 32805

*Space is limited so please call 407-317-7430 ext. 2114 to schedule an appointment.
Provider availability is subject to change*

Partnering for Success

A training event sponsored by:

Florida Department of Health, Children's Medical Services, Early Steps

Florida Department of Health, Children's Medical Services, Bureau of Child Protection / Special Technology

Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services

The Office of Early Learning

Florida's Head Start State Collaboration Office

Save the Date!

November 13-15, 2013

Wyndham Orlando Resort

\$45 Registration Fee

*Don't miss this exciting opportunity to network with other early childhood professionals
to improve services for children in Florida.*