Home Visitation Programs

Talking Points

**Introducing the Referral**

If a referral is being made based on a screening:

* “Through my observation or your expressed concerns, parenting and child development support may be helpful for you and your child. A referral to one of our home visitation programs will determine if you are eligible for in-home support.”
  + *Based on the checklist on the next page – please determine which program may be the best fit. Please know that the home visitation programs work with one another to ensure all referrals are received by the most appropriate agency.*

**Information:**

Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)

* Nurses visit first-time moms at home during pregnancy and until babies are 2 years of age. Focus is on having a healthy pregnancy, being a good parent, building strong networks of support, and making home a safe place to learn and develop skills.

**St. Anthony NFP**

**Please Fax Referrals to:**

**303-269-2970**

Phone: 303-269-2960

**Tri-County Health Department NFP**

**Please Fax Referrals to:**

**303-255-6290**

Phone: 303-255-6206

Parents as Teachers (PAT)

* Parent educators help parents teach their children important skills through play. They help answer each family’s questions about parenting, development, learning, and health. PAT also offers the opportunity to meet other parents in monthly “Discovery Times.” Finally, work can begin while women are pregnant.

**Please Fax Referrals to:**

**303-426-0560**

Phone: 303-426-0430

Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY)

* Certified parent educator helps parents strengthen and develop tools, skills, and confidence to become their child’s first teacher and help their child to be prepared for Kindergarten using the HIPPY curriculum.

**Please Fax Referrals to:**

**303-227-2098**

Phone: 303-227-2073

Home Visitation Referral Guide

SafeCare Colorado

* Certified Home Visitors support parents to strengthen and develop their parenting skills. Home Visitors focus on building skills in three areas: Health (recognizing common illness and injuries and what level of care to treat at), Safety (recognizing common hazards and how to remove them-childproofing), and Parent-Child Interactions (promotes bonding, while setting limits and addressing challenging behaviors like tantrums).

**Please Fax or Email Referrals to:**

**303-422-5707 or SafeCare@thefamilytree.org**

Phone: 720-492-9086

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| Adams County  Referral Checklist | Nurse Family Partnership  (NFP) | Parents as Teachers (PAT) | Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) | SafeCare Colorado |
| Offered at no-cost to families | X | X | X | X |
| Home visits | X | X | X | X |
| Serves first-time moms only | X |  |  |  |
| Meetings with other families |  | X | X |  |
| Prenatal-30 days postpartum (age at referral) | X |  |  |  |
| Prenatal-36 months (age at referral) |  | X |  | Birth-36 months |
| Age 3-5 years (age at referral) |  | X | X | X |
| Parenting support | X | X | X | X |
| Health checks/developmental screenings | X | X | X |  |
| Early learning games | X | X | X | X |
| Referrals to other services | X | X | X | X |
| Job development coaching | X |  |  |  |
| How often | Weekly | 2 times per month | Weekly | Weekly |
| Visitor | Registered Nurse | Certified Parent Educator | Certified Home Visitor | Certified Home Visitor |
| Eligibility Criteria | * Any first-time parent (includes any live births). * Must be referred during pregnancy or up to 30 days postpartum. * Must have income fall below 200% poverty level.   *\*Only counts mother’s income not family* | * 90% of families must be low-income; 10% non-low-income families if other child/family risk factors are present. | * Child must be 3 or 4 on or before October 1st * Low-income families | * Families must have at least one child ages 0-5 * Must meet at least 3 high-risk criteria (see SafeCare referral form) * Cannot have an open court-involved child welfare case or open assessment |