

Supporting Early Connections

Meeting the Needs of Infants, Toddlers and Their Families in a Court-Community Partnership

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Today's Topics

- Seeing the Need: Through the Eyes of the Infant
- What is Supporting Early Connections?
- Seeing SEC: Through the Eyes of the Attorney
- Resources



PP Handout at: www.earlychildhoodpolicy.com/courttrain.html

Seeing the Need: Through the Eyes of the Infant



National Baby Facts

- National entries into foster care
 - 31% <3 years old (FY 2009)
- National abuse deaths
 - 79.8% <3 years old (FY 2008)
- Approximately half (35-68%) have developmental delays or disabilities.

Melmed, M (2011)
Graham, M. A. (2011)
F. Wulczyn & K.B. Hislop (2002)
Leslie et al. (2005)

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Infants and Foster Care

Fiscal Year 2008

- 22% of new admissions
- Four times more likely to enter care
- More time in out-of-home care
 - 60% spent most of their time in foster care
- Longer stays
 - Longest for entries in 0-3 months



Wulczyn, F, Chen, L, Collins, L & Ernst, M (2011) [Zero to Three](#). (31:3)

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Reunifications and Disparities

- Infants & adolescents reunify more slowly
(Harris & Courtney, 2003)
 - Higher % infants in care => lower regional reunification rates
(WSIPP, 2004)
 - Nearly 1 in 3 reenter care
(Wulczyn et al, 2011)
- The disparity between black and white admissions is greatest in infancy.
(Wulczyn et al, 2011)

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Brain Changing Prime Time

- Newborn – 400 grams
- 3 Year Old – 1100 grams
- Adult – 1500 grams


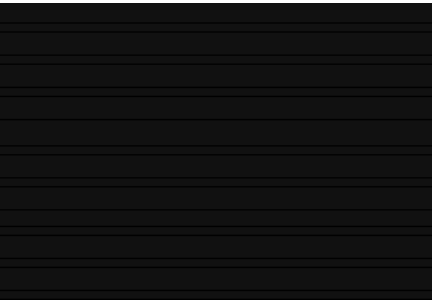


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Stress and the Brain



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Neglect Can Be Toxic



Neglect in the first two years of life specifically predicted aggression at 4, 6, and 8. Early abuse, later abuse and later neglect did not.

Kotch, et al. (2008) Importance of Early Neglect for Childhood Aggression. *Pediatrics*, vol. 121, pp. 725-731.

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Early Relationships Are Important !!!

“Each achievement – language and learning, social development, the emergence of self-regulation – occurs in the context of close relationships with others.”

- *From Neurons to Neighborhoods, National Academy of Science, 2000*

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The Attachment System

- “A healthy, secure attachment generally means the child has been supported in:
 - learning coping skills,
 - helped to adapt to changes
 - learned to contain and soothe distress,
 - and learned to self-regulate their emotions and behaviors.”
- *Healthy Attachment for Very Young Children in Foster Care* by JoAnne Solchany and Lisa Pilnik, pg 87.

Vol 27, No 6 Aug 2008, www.childlawpractice.org
(Available to download on Dr. Hill’s website)

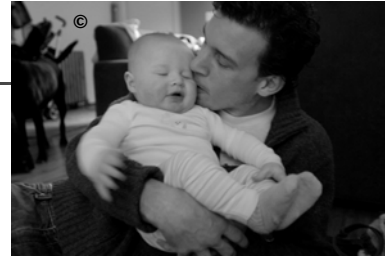
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Helping Families = Repairing Relationships

"The bottom line is that child welfare practices that are largely focused on child safety often are not structured to promote healthy development and the formation of a secure attachment."

Melmed, M E (2011). A Call to Action for Infants and Toddlers in Foster Care. *Zero to Three Journal*, vol. 31, no. 3, 29-34.

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"It's about the kids. People talk about parents getting their children back. But really, this is about the children getting their parents back."

Judge Douglas F. Johnson of Omaha

(Healing the Youngest Children)

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What is Supporting Early Connections?

Project Overview

Supporting Early Connections Project Goals

- Provide early intervention mental health services (Child Parent Psychotherapy) for infants, toddlers and their biological parents.
- Support family/parent engagement.
- Improve systems' knowledge of how to meet the needs of young children and their families.
- Develop an effective, multi-system partnership that is sustainable and can be replicated.

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The SEC Team

- Judicial Officer
- Project Coordinator
- Child Welfare
 - Attorney
 - Social Workers
 - Supervisors
- Parents' Attorneys
- Clinical and System Consultants
- Court Appointed Special Advocates
 - Supervisor
 - Attorney
- Community Mental Health
 - Family Support Specialist
 - Therapists
 - Supervisor

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Education and Collaboration



- SEC Trainings
 - Infant Mental Health
 - Attachment
 - Sharing Our Experiences
- www.earlychildhoodpolicy.com/courttrain.html
- Partnered Court Trainings
 - www.uwcita.org
- Cross-System Learning
 - Relationships are Key

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Voluntary Enrollment



- Parents or Parents' Attorneys Refer
- Service For the Child

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Child Parent Psychotherapy

- Evidence Based Practice
 - Demonstrated use in a court-community partnership.
- Strength & Community Based
- Providing Critical Information
 - Regular Reporting
 - Meetings



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Family Support & Engagement



- Intake Is Key
- Transportation: So Much More Than Driving
- Practical Skills Need Support

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What is Supporting Early Connections?

Participants and Outcomes

Participating Parents

Participating Parents

- Moms – 31 (63%)
- Dads – 18 (37%)

Family Status


- Single moms – 16
- Single dads – 3
- Couples – 15

Ethnicity

- White – 51%
- African American – 16%
- Latino – 14%
- Asian Pacific Islander – 4%
- Mixed – 10%
- Decline to Identify – 4%

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Participating Children



Gender

- Males – 59%
- Females – 41%

Ethnicity

- White – 41%
- African American – 21%
- Latino – 8%
- Mixed – 31%

Age at Enrollment

- Average – 9.8 months
- Half – Less than 7 months
- 80% -- Less than 1 year

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Keeping Parents Engaged in the Game



Over 80% of biological parents stayed engaged with SEC for the full ten months of treatment.

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Repairing Relationships



Relationship scores improved, on average, about twenty percentage points on multiple measures.

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Rebuilding Families



Over half of children were reunified with one or both of their biological parents.

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SEC Resources You Can Use

- Handouts for today are on the NACC Conference website & Dr. Hill's website:
 - Referral Form, Court Order Language, Brochure for Families, Treatment Update Report Model, & Meeting Contributions Info

- Evaluation, Implementation Manual, and Newsletters with Resources & Tips

www.ccvj.org/initiatives/supporting-early-connections/

- Ongoing Current Updates to Materials
www.kingcounty.gov/courts/JuvenileCourt/dependency/SEC.aspx

Seeing SEC: Through the Eyes of the Attorney

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Initial Concerns



- Is meaningful work possible?
- How will this impact parenting?
- How will my role be perceived?
 - **With** Versus **Against**
- How do we manage differing agendas?

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What I Learned



- Collaborating Was Meaningful
- We All Really Want the Same Thing

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How It Benefitted My Client



- Better Attitude
- Better Parenting
- Better Relationships
- Better Outcomes

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Success Comes in Many Forms



www.king5.com/new-day-northwest/Family-Rebuilds-Thrives-After-Domestic-Violence-98754314.html

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S = Resource is Available in Spanish

Resources to Help

Trauma, Child Welfare and Court Related

Many thanks to Dr. Hill for sharing her resource slides, please see her website for other presentations with additional resources. www.earlychildhoodpolicy.com

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2011 Child Welfare Briefs

- A Call to Action on Behalf of Maltreated Infants and Toddlers (2011) ---- Sponsored by:
 - American Humane Association, Center for the Study of Social Policy, Child Welfare League of America, Children's Defense Fund, ZERO TO THREE

www.cssp.org/publications/child-welfare/A-Call-to-Action-on-Behalf-of-Maltreated-Infants-and-Toddlers.pdf
- Young and Vulnerable: Children Five and Under Experience High Maltreatment Rates (2011)
 - Child Trends Early Childhood Highlights, Vol. 2, Issue 2

www.childtrends.org/Files/Child_Trends-2011_04_29_ECH_YoungVulnerable.pdf

National Court and Child Welfare Projects

- ZERO TO THREE Court Teams for Maltreated Infants & Toddlers
 - Free video: "Helping Babies from the Bench."
www.zerotothree.org/maltreatment/court-teams/index.html
- American Bar Association – Improving Understanding of Maternal and Child Health
www.americanbar.org/groups/child_law/projects_initiatives/health_of_infants_toddlers_preschoolers_iunch.html

Don't miss the new Judge's Guide - [Healthy Beginning, Healthy Futures](#)

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Partnering with the Courts Recommended Readings

- ABA/ZERO TO THREE Joint Briefs (2007)
 - Healing the Youngest Children: Model Court-Community Partnerships
 - Visitation with Infants and Toddlers in Foster Care: What Judges and Attorneys Need to Know

www.zerotothree.org/about-us/funded-projects/court-teams/court-teams-popular-resources.html
- Child Centered Practices for the Courtroom and Community: A Guide to Working Effectively with Young Children and Their Families in the Child Welfare System.
 - Lynne F Katz, EdD, Judge Cindy S Lederman, & Joy D Osofsky, PhD
 - Brookes Publishing, 2010

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Getting the Courts to Ask: How is the baby or toddler doing?

- *Questions Every Judge and Lawyer Should Ask About Infants and Toddlers In the Child Welfare System*
www.ncjfcj.org/store/product_info.php?cPath=21_22_28&products_id=90
- *Ensuring the Healthy Development of Infants in Foster Care: A Guide for Judges, Advocates and Child Welfare Professionals*

www.zerotothree.org/about-us/funded-projects/court-teams/court-teams-popular-resources.html

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Special Journal Issues for Courts/Child Welfare

- Juvenile and Family Court Journal, NCJFCJ, Fall 2008 – vol. 59 no. 4. Special Issue – Children and Trauma
- Juvenile and Family Court Journal, NCJFCJ, Spring 2004 – vol. 55 no. 2. Special Issue–Infants and Toddlers in Court
- Infant Mental Health Journal, Jan/Feb 2008 – vol. 29 no. 1. Special Issue – Forensic Issues in Infant Mental Health
- ZERO TO THREE Journal
 - Improving the Lives of Infants and Toddlers in Foster Care – January 2011, Vol 31, no. 3
 - Current Trends in Child Welfare – July 2008, Vol 28, no. 6
 - Coping with Separation and Loss -- July 2007, Vol 27, no.6

Child Welfare Professional Readings/Materials

- Michigan Association of Infant Mental Health
www.mi-aimh.org
 - *Guidelines for Comprehensive Assessment of Infants and their Parents in the Child Welfare System.* (2005)
 - *Supporting Relationships for Infants and Toddlers with Two Homes.* (2010)
- Brenda Jones Harden (2007) **Infants in the Child Welfare System: A Developmental Framework for Policy and Practice.** ZERO TO THREE Press.
- Sheryl Dicker (2009) *Reversing the Odds: Improving Outcomes for Babies in the Child Welfare System.* Brookes Publishing.

Child Welfare and EI CAPTA & IDEA

- National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center
www.nectac.org/topics/earlyid/capta.asp
- Child Welfare Information Gateway
www.childwelfare.gov/systemwide/service_array/earlychildhood/childwelfare.cfm
- Administration for Children & Families
www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/laws_policies/cblaws/capta/index.htm

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Web Resources on Trauma

- Healing Resources.info: Preventing and Healing Stress Related Problems
 - www.healingresources.info
 - Great Video! *Trauma, Brain & Relationship: Helping Children Heal*
- The ChildTrauma Academy
 - www.childtrauma.org
- National Center for Children Exposed to Violence
 - www.nccev.org

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National Child Traumatic Stress Network

www.nctsn.org

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Mission: To raise the standard of care and improve access to services for traumatized children, their families and communities throughout the United States.

Tons of great resources for professionals and caregivers and lots of free training options. Includes special resources for military families.

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Trauma Readings

- Ed: Lieberman, AF & DeMartino, R (2006) **Pediatric Round Table: Interventions for Children Exposed to Violence**, Johnson & Johnson Pediatric Institute.
 - Lieberman, AF, Briscoe-Smith, A, Ghosh Ippen, C, Van Horn, P. *Violence in Infancy and Early Childhood: Relationship-Based Treatment and Evaluation*. P. 65-83
www.nctsn.org/nctsn_assets/pdfs/reports/HarrisManuscript.pdf
- Ed: Joy D. Osofsky (2005) **Young Children and Trauma: Intervention and Treatment**. Guilford Press
- Solomon, MF, & Siegel, DJ (2003) **Healing Trauma: Attachment, Mind, Body and Brain**. Norton Prof. Books
- Lieberman, AF (2007) Ghosts and Angels: Intergenerational patterns in the transmission and treatment of the traumatic sequelae of domestic violence. *Infant Mental Health Journal*, 28 (4) 442-439.

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More Trauma Readings

- Osofsky, J. (2003) *Prevalence of Children's Exposure to Domestic Violence and Child Maltreatment: Implications for Prevention and Intervention*. *Clinical Child and Family Psychology Review*, Vol. 6, No 3, pp. 161-170.
- Kathleen Rice & Betsy Groves (Child Witness to Violence Project, Boston Medical Center) (2005) *Hope & Healing: A Caregiver's Guide to Helping Young Children Affected by Trauma*. ZERO TO THREE Press.
- Lieberman, Compton, Van Horn, and Ippen (2003) *Losing a Parent to Death in the Early Years: Guidelines for the Treatment of Traumatic Bereavement in Infancy and Early Childhood*. ZERO TO THREE Press.

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Treatment Summary Briefs

- Roadmap to Effective Intervention Practices: Family-Focused Interventions for Promoting Social-Emotional Development in Infants and Toddlers with or at Risk for Disabilities. (September 2010, Diane Powell and Glen Dunlap)
www.challengingbehavior.org/do/resources/documents/roadmap_5.pdf
- Clinical Interventions to Enhance Infant Mental Health: A Selective Review (July 2005, Zeanah, Stafford and Zeanah)
www.healthychild.ucla.edu/publications/IMH%20Evidence%20Review%20FINAL.pdf
- Improving Maternal and Infant Mental Health: Focus on Maternal Depression (July 2005, Ngozi Onunaku)
www.healthychild.ucla.edu/publications/Maternal%20Depression%20Report%20FINAL.pdf

Mary Dozier - ABC Intervention

The Attachment and Biobehavioral Catch-up Intervention is a training program for caregivers of young children who have been neglected and caregivers of young children in foster care.

<http://abcintervention.com/>


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Evidence Based Practice

- Dept. of Justice and Dept. of Health and Human Services 2011 Publication
 - Evidence-Based Practices for Children Exposed to Violence: A Selection from Federal Databases
www.safestartcenter.org/pdf/Evidence-Based-Practices-Matrix_2011.pdf
- California Evidence Based Clearinghouse for Child Welfare: www.cebc4cw.org
 - Child Parent Psychotherapy:
www.cebc4cw.org/program/child-parent-psychotherapy/

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Child Parent Psychotherapy



- Attachment, Psychoanalytic and Trauma Theories
- Cognitive-Behavioral and Social Learning Therapies
- Attention to Family Cultural Values

Slide 49 Lieberman & Van Horn (2008)

Improvements with CPP

- Dyad
 - Relationship Interactions
 - Attachment Security
- Parent (Typ. Mother)
 - Mood
 - PTSD symptoms
- Child
 - Behavior
 - PTSD Symptoms
 - Attributions
 - Cognitive Functioning

Lieberman & Van Horn (2008)

Miami-Dade CPP

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Child Parent Psychotherapy Basic Books

- Lieberman, A. & Van Horn, P. (2005) **Don't Hit My Mommy! A Manual for Child-Parent Psychotherapy With Young Witnesses of Family Violence.** Washington, D.C.: ZERO TO THREE Press.
- Lieberman, A. & Van Horn, P. (2008) **Psychotherapy with Infants and Young Children: Repairing the Effects of Stress and Trauma on Early Attachment.** New York, NY: Guilford Press.

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Finding Skilled Providers – State Level Endorsements

- California Center for Infant-Family and Early Childhood Mental Health
www.ecmhtraining-ca.org
- Michigan Endorsements
 - In use in multiple states.
www.mi-aimh.org/endorsement



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Resources to Help

General Early Childhood

S = Resources Available in Spanish

Casey Sponsored -- WA Early Learning Symposium

Applying the Science of Early Childhood Development to State Policy and Practice: a Case for Action and a Call for Innovation (Nov. 2010)

www.casey.org/resources/events/earlylearning/wa/default.htm

- Watch videos of proceedings
- Lots of great local and national resources
- Symposia info from Florida & Nevada available

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Keeping an Eye Out for Depression

Speak Up When You're Down!

- Statewide post partum depression awareness campaigns.
 - Washington
www.speakup.wa.gov
 - New Jersey
www.njspeakup.gov
- Great Info and National Resources



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Keys to Perinatal Depression

- A free, web-based training program for nurses, social workers, mental health providers and other health professionals.
 - Module I: *Understanding and Assisting Women with Perinatal and Postpartum Mood Disorders*
 - Module II, *Relationship Focused Practice*
 - Module III, *Screening for Perinatal Depression*
 - Two no-cost, self-administered detection and measurement tools are introduced and their application is demonstrated.

<http://steppingup.washington.edu/keys/default.htm>

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More IMH and Depression Resources

www.ProjectABC-LA.org

- Infant Mental Health materials for parents and professionals. Don't miss their materials page:
www.projectabc-la.org/resources/materials.php
- Short video related to Infants of Depressed Mothers Living in Poverty: Opportunities to Identify and Serve
www.urban.org/publications/500205.html

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Screening for SE & MH Needs

- Developmental and Social-Emotional Screening of Young Children in MN
www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mch/devscrm/
- Developmental Screening and Assessment Instruments with an Emphasis on Social and Emotional Development for Young Children Ages Birth to Five (NECTAC, 2008)
<http://nectac.org/~pdfs/pubs/screening.pdf>
- A Guide to Assessment in Early Childhood: Infancy to Age Eight. Washington State Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction. 2008
www.k12.wa.us/EarlyLearning/pubdocs/assessment_print.pdf
- Screening for Social Emotional Concerns: Considerations in the Selection of Instruments (TACSEI January, 2009).
www.challengingbehavior.org/do/resources/documents/roadmap_1.pdf

How is the child developing?

- Child Profile – Developmental Charts and Letters
 - www.childprofile.org A WA Resource
- www.cdc.gov/actearly
- www.cdc.gov/parents/infants/
- The Importance of Early Intervention for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities and their Families.
 - July 2011 Fact Sheet

www.nectac.org/~pdfs/pubs/importanceofearlyintervention.pdf

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Book Recommendations: For All Caregivers

- Siegel, D. & Hartzell, M. (2004) *Parenting from the Inside Out: How a Deeper Self-Understanding Can Help You Raise Children Who Thrive*. New York, NY: Penguin Paperback. (There are DVD's for both professionals and parents that go with this book and a wealth of other materials on mindful parenting at <http://drdansiegel.com>)
- Gottman, J (2004). *What am I feeling? The Five Steps of Emotion Coaching*. (There is a DVD that goes with this book and training materials that can be found at: www.parentingcounts.org)
- Greenspan, S (2000). *Building Healthy Minds: The Six Experiences that Create Intelligence and Emotional Growth in Babies and Young Children*. Cambridge, MA: Perseus Publishing.

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WA Early Childhood Resources with Good Info For All

- Foundation for Early Learning (see resources) **S**
 - *Ten Simple Ways to Encourage Learning.* www.earlylearning.org
- Thrive by Five Washington – **S** www.thrivebyfivewa.org
- Talaris – www.talaris.org
- Parenting Counts – www.parentingcounts.org

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ZERO TO THREE – For Parents

www.zerotothree.org

Many of the resources at their [bookstore](#) come in Spanish and free materials (see below) can be purchased there in full color print. **S**

- **What's Best for My Baby and Me?:** A 3-Step Guide for Parents (comes in packs of 12)
 - Dr. Hill's favorite for families **S**
- Tons of Free Parent Brochures and Guides **S**

www.zerotothree.org/about-us/areas-of-expertise/free-parent-brochures-and-guides/

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More Resources for Parents

- Parenting Counts: www.parentingcounts.org
 - Lots of great short videos and social-emotional resources
- A Family Guidebook: Supporting Development of Newborns and Infants www.eicolorado.org **S**
 - Part of their early intervention program but great for all.
- She's One Smart Mom, She's Got: www.Text4Baby.org **S**
 - Text BABY to 511411 (Envia BEBE al 511411 para Español)
 - FREE messages each week on your cell phone to help you through your pregnancy and your baby's first year.
 - Text4baby is an educational program of the National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition.

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Pyramid Model for Promoting Social-Emotional Competence in Infants and Young Children

- Technical Assistance Center on Social Emotional Intervention (TACSEI) for Young Children www.challengingbehavior.org
- Center on the Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning (CSEFEL) **S** <http://csefel.vanderbilt.edu/>
 - Tons of great handouts for parents too like "Reading Your Child's Cues from Birth to Age 2" & "Making Life Easier: Running Errands"

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This Emotional Life (PBS)

A dynamic interactive website, with a wealth of resources for families, based around the PBS television series on social-emotional and mental health and well-being across the lifespan.

www.pbs.org/thisemotionallife/

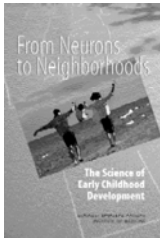
www.pbs.org/thisemotionallife/topic/attachment

www.pbs.org/thisemotionallife/topic/postpartum

www.pbs.org/thisemotionallife/campaign/early-moments-matter

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From Neurons to Neighborhoods: The Science of Early Childhood Development



Committee on Integrating the Science of Early Childhood Development

**Board on Children, Youth, and Families
Institute of Medicine
National Research Council**

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Good General IMH Professional Books

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- Tronick, E (2007) *The Neurobehavioral and Social-Emotional Development of Infants and Children*. New York, NY: WW Norton & Co.

More General Good Professional Resources

All ZERO TO THREE PRESS

- V. Buisse & P.W. Wesley, Eds. (2006) *Evidence-Based Practice in the Early Childhood Field*.
- S.S. Heller & L. Gilkerson, Eds. (2009) *A Practical Guide to Reflective Supervision*.
- *Learning Happens* (2007) – 30 video vignettes of babies/toddlers learning skills in everyday interactions.

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Good EI Oriented Professional Books

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National Early Intervention and Early Childhood TA Sites

- Early Childhood Outcomes Center:
www.fpg.unc.edu/~ECO/
- National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center
www.nectac.org/default.asp
www.nectac.org/topics/menhealth/menhealth.asp
- Western Regional Resource Center:
www.rfcnetwork.org/wrrc

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National Scientific Council on the Developing Child

www.developingchild.net

- Collaboration - neuroscience, early childhood development, pediatrics, and economics.
- Don't Miss the In Brief Series!
http://developingchild.harvard.edu/library/multimedia/inbrief_series/
 - Short Videos and 2-Page Briefs On:
 - The Science of Early Childhood Development
 - The Impact of Early Adversity on Brain Development
 - Early Childhood Program Effectiveness

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National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health

<http://gucchd.georgetown.edu/67211.html>

- Georgetown U Center for Child & Human Development
- Lots of great resources and free training conference calls
- Center for Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation :
www.ecmhc.org
 - Free online Trauma tutorial
 - Free downloadable short books to assist caregivers in tracking developmental progress and help young children develop an emotional vocabulary.

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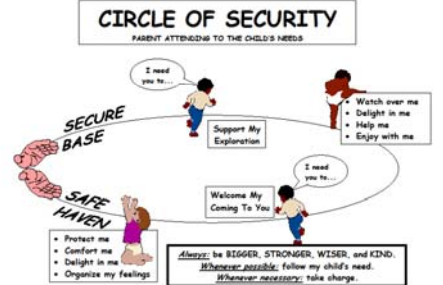
Early Childhood Policy Websites

- ZERO TO THREE Policy Center
 - General Link – They send out great info and updates!
www.zerotothree.org/policy
 - Early Intervention Page
www.zerotothree.org/public-policy/infant-toddler-policy-issues/early-intervention-1.html
- Birth to Five Policy Alliance www.birthtofivepolicy.org
- Ounce of Prevention Fund www.ounceofprevention.org
- First Five Years Fund www.ffyf.org

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Conceptualizing Attachment

www.circleofsecurity.org



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ZERO TO THREE – National Center for Infants, Toddlers and Families

www.zerotothree.org

- Great stuff for professionals, policy makers, and advocates.
 - From Baby to Big Kid - monthly developmental newsletters
 - School Readiness Birth to 3 – interactive learning tool for readiness activities
- Child Maltreatment Related:
 - www.zerotothree.org/maltreatment/

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