



Fatherhood Talk Tuesday

April 13, 2021



Agenda

Housekeeping	Lisa Hong, NICHQ
Welcome	Michael Muni, DHSPS
Introductions	Kenn Harris, NICHQ
Positive Parenting	Dr. Derrick Gordon, Yale Consultation Center
Questions & Answers	All
Closing	Danisha Charles, NICHQ

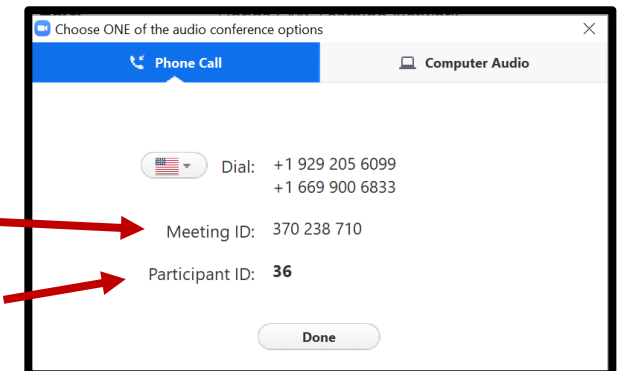
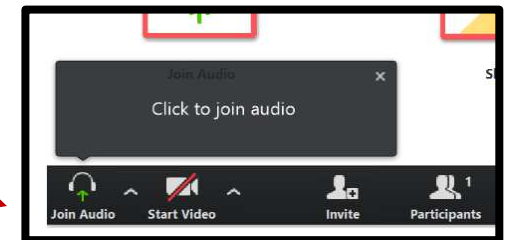
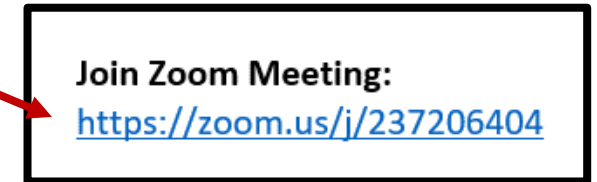
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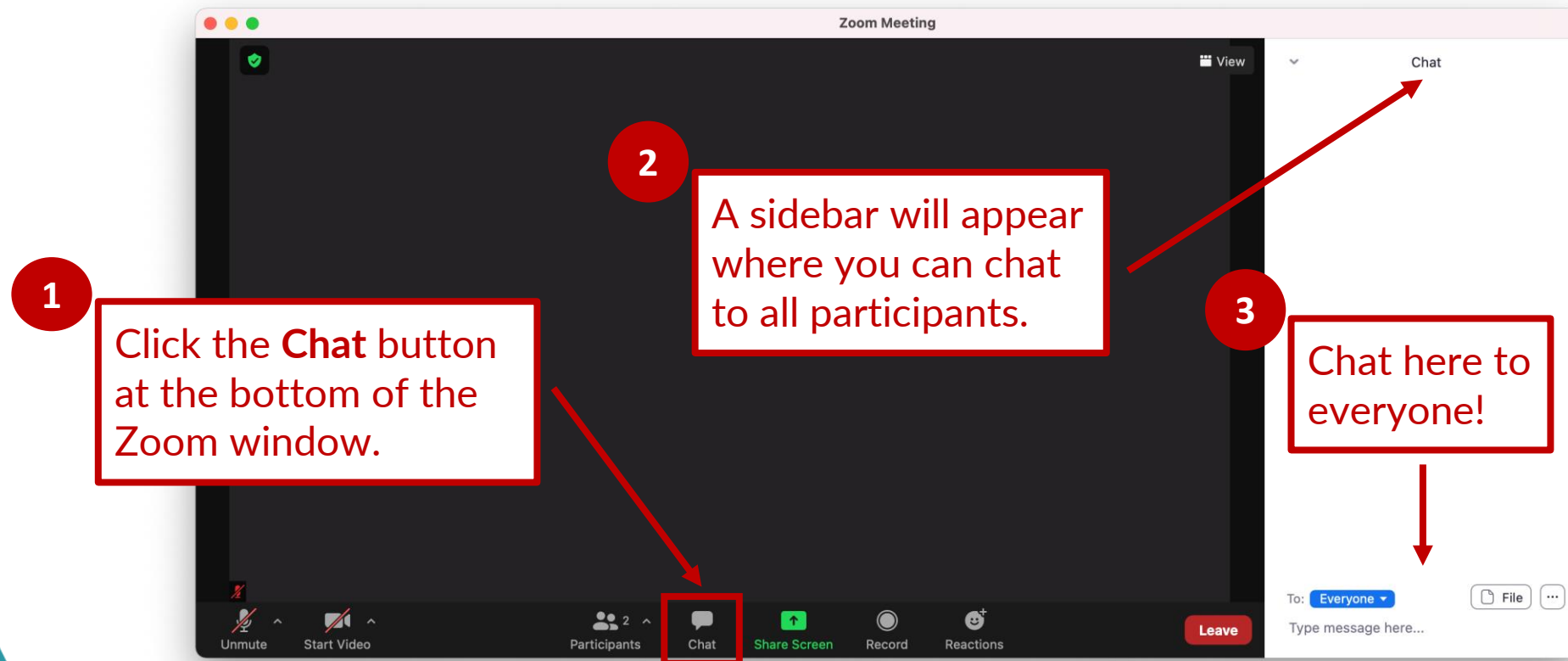
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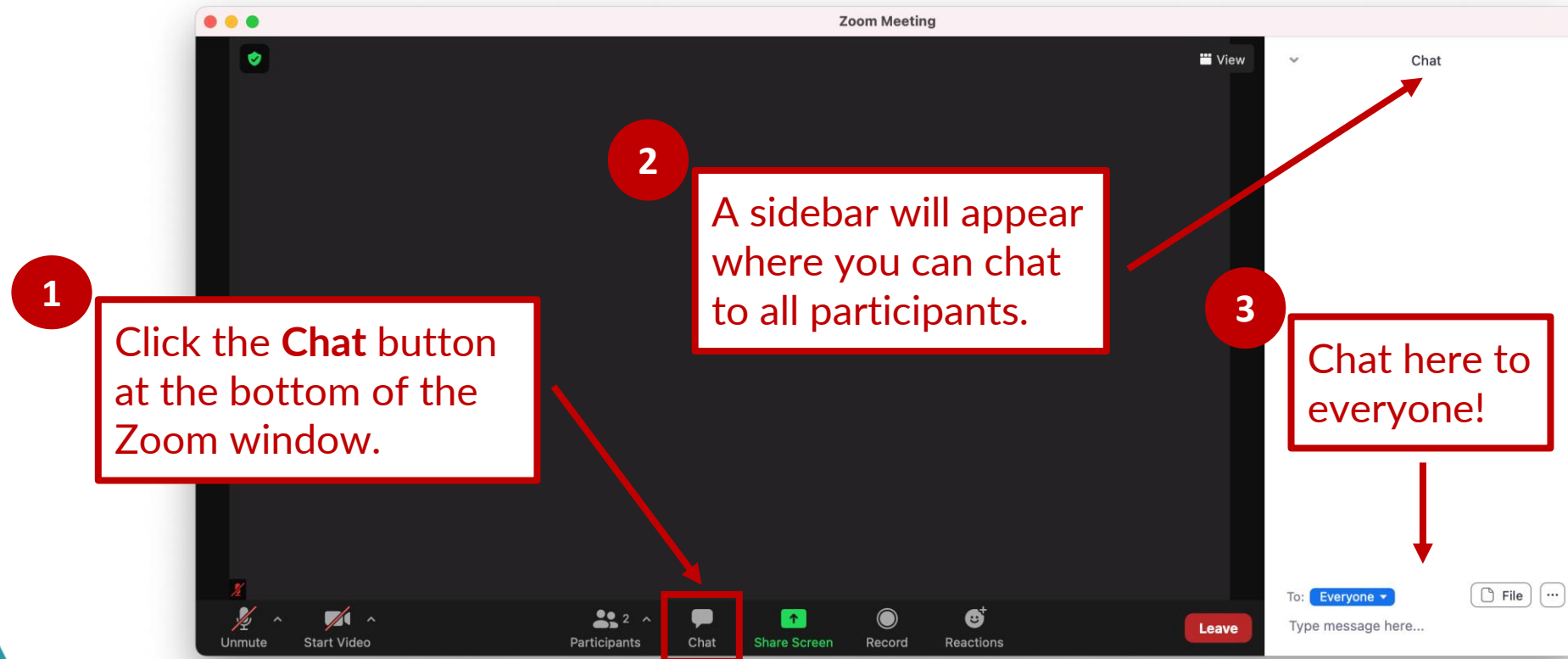
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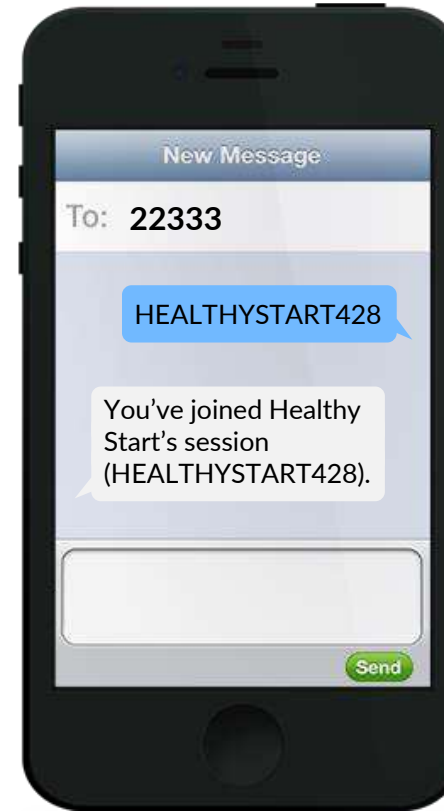


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Welcome

Michael Muni

Project Officer

Division of Healthy Start and
Perinatal Services

Introduction

Kenn Harris

Healthy Start TA &
Support Center

When you think of fathers and parenting, what kinds of things come to mind?

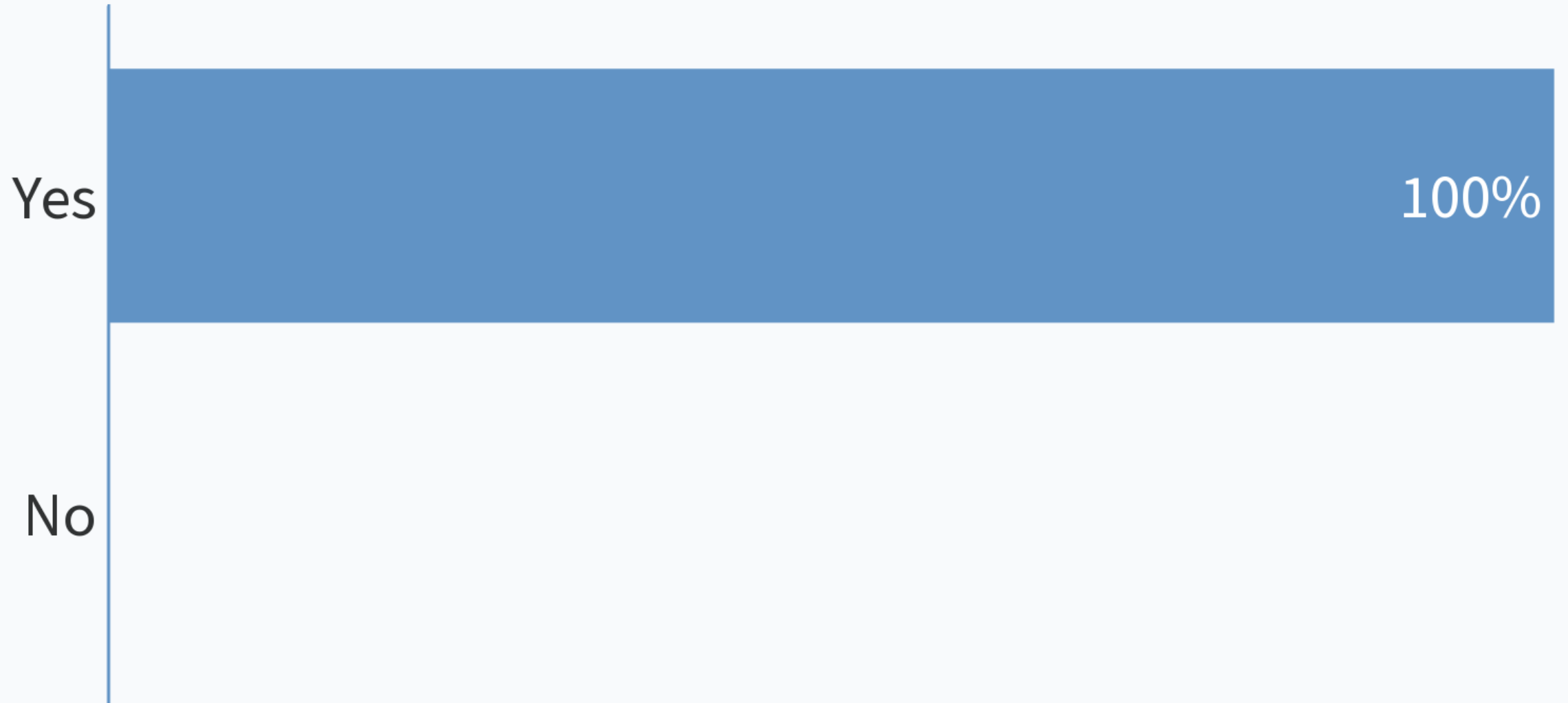
“Protector”

“Being a role model”

“Leadership”

“Positive self esteem”

Do you use a parenting curriculum with your fathers?



Please share the curricula you use.

“Fathering in 15”

“The Responsible Fatherhood Curriculum”

“Partners for a healthy baby”

“24/7 dad”

What types of challenges have you experienced with the dads that you've observed with regards to parent engagement?

“Availability”

“Culture”

“Not living with mom”

With regards to your enrollment for fathers, did you meet your goal of 100 last program year?

Yes

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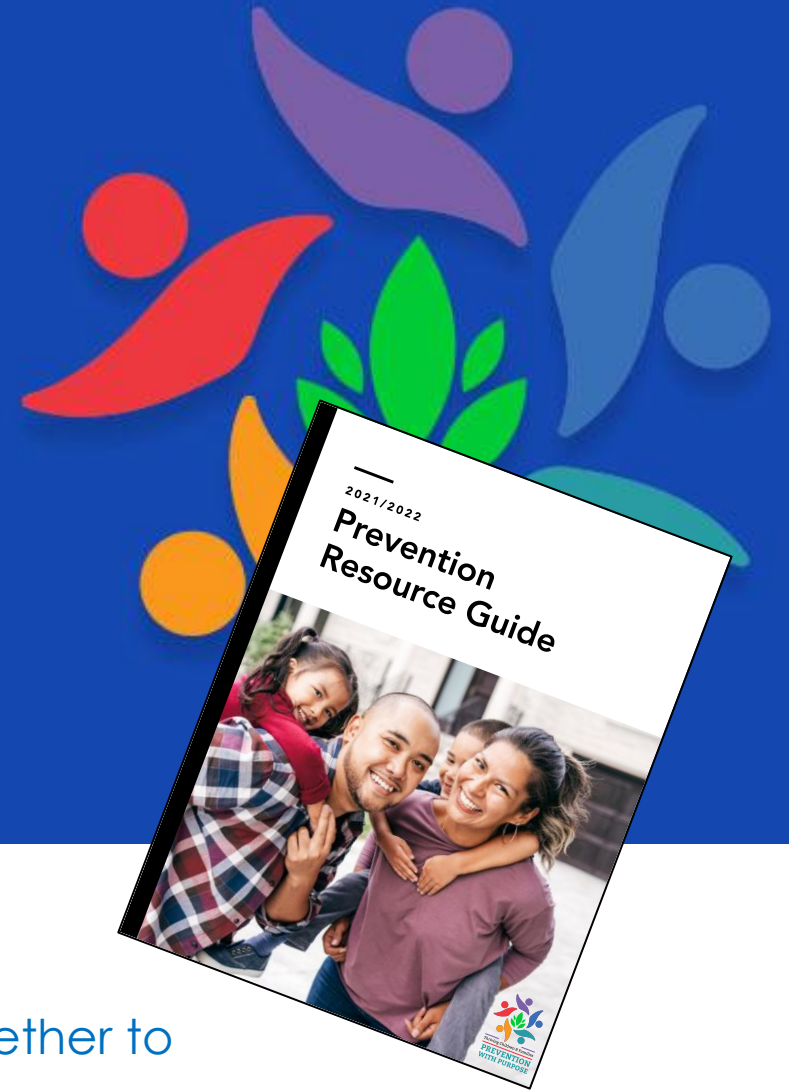
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THRIVING Children and Families: PREVENTION WITH PURPOSE

#ChildAbusePreventionMonth



National Child Abuse Prevention Month

recognizes the importance of families and communities working together to strengthen families to prevent child abuse and neglect.

#ChildAbusePreventionMonth

https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubPDFs/guide_2021.pdf



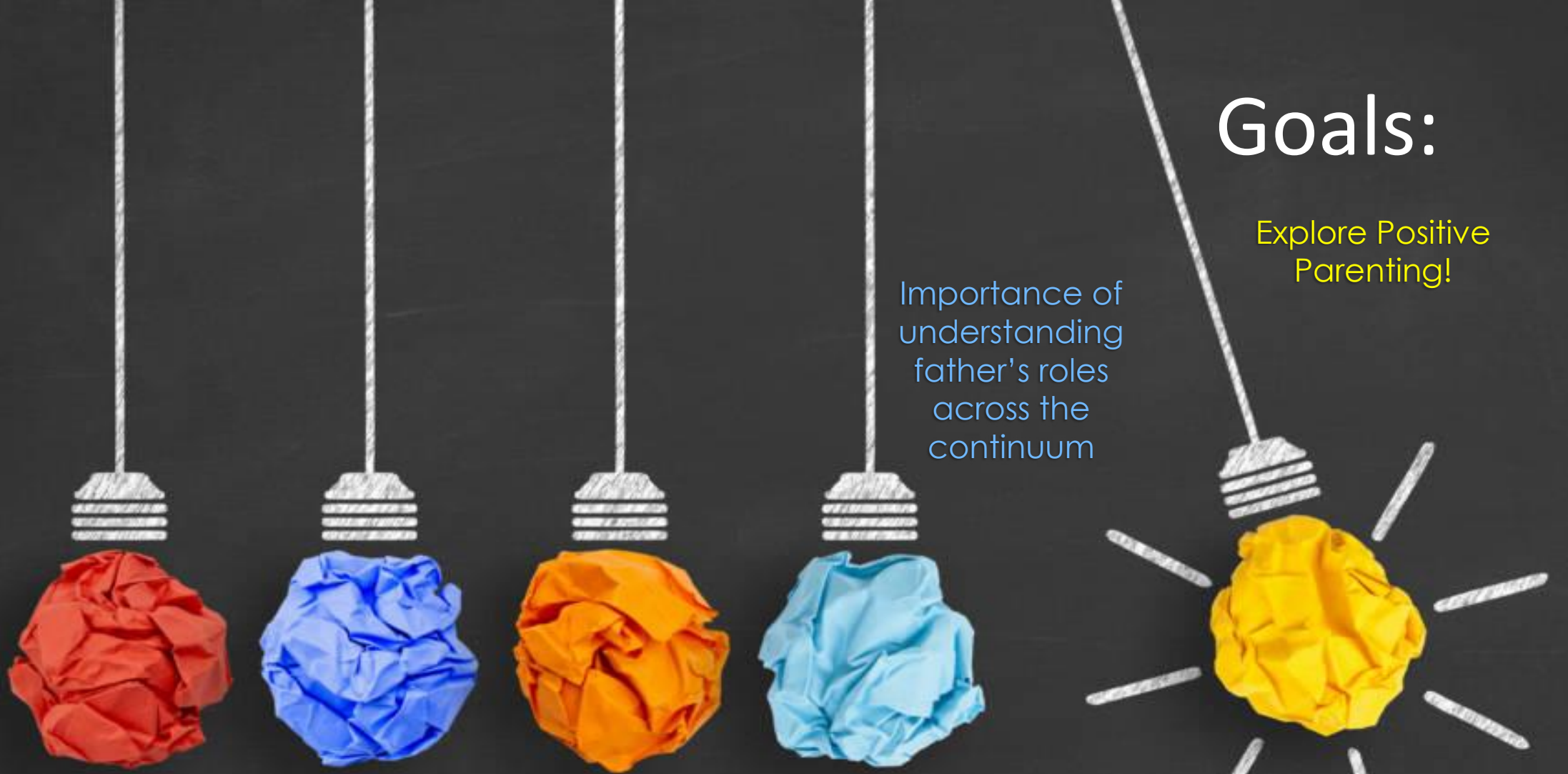
Goals:

Explore Positive Parenting!

Importance of understanding father's roles across the continuum

Engage in dialogue around this topic!

provide expertise to you as you support your fathers



Who is He?

- Needs related to connecting with children
- Types of support needed for successful parenting





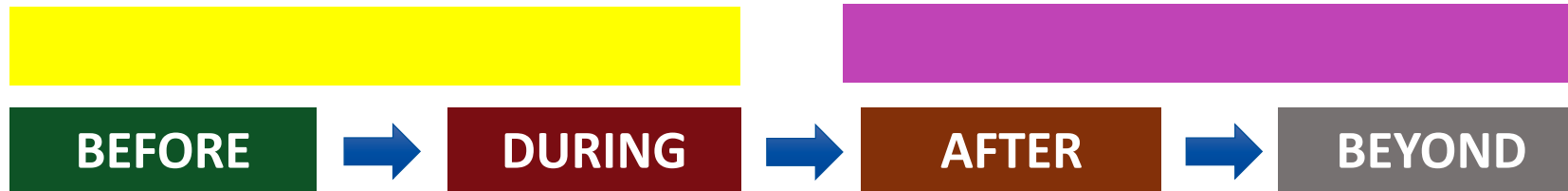
Intentionality: Involvement and Inclusion

ICE – inclusion, connection, engagement



Promote father involvement

Improve parenting (co-parenting)





Graphic enhanced from The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn & Child Health (PMNHC) to includes fathers

<https://www.who.int/pmnch/about/en/>



from Sesame Street to Blues Clues



Keeping fathers out of
MCH doesn't work!

**Blue's
Clues™**



*Building off what we know
from MCH... it can work great!*



Promoting Positive Parenting

Positive Parenting

Dr. Derrick Gordon
Yale Consultation Center

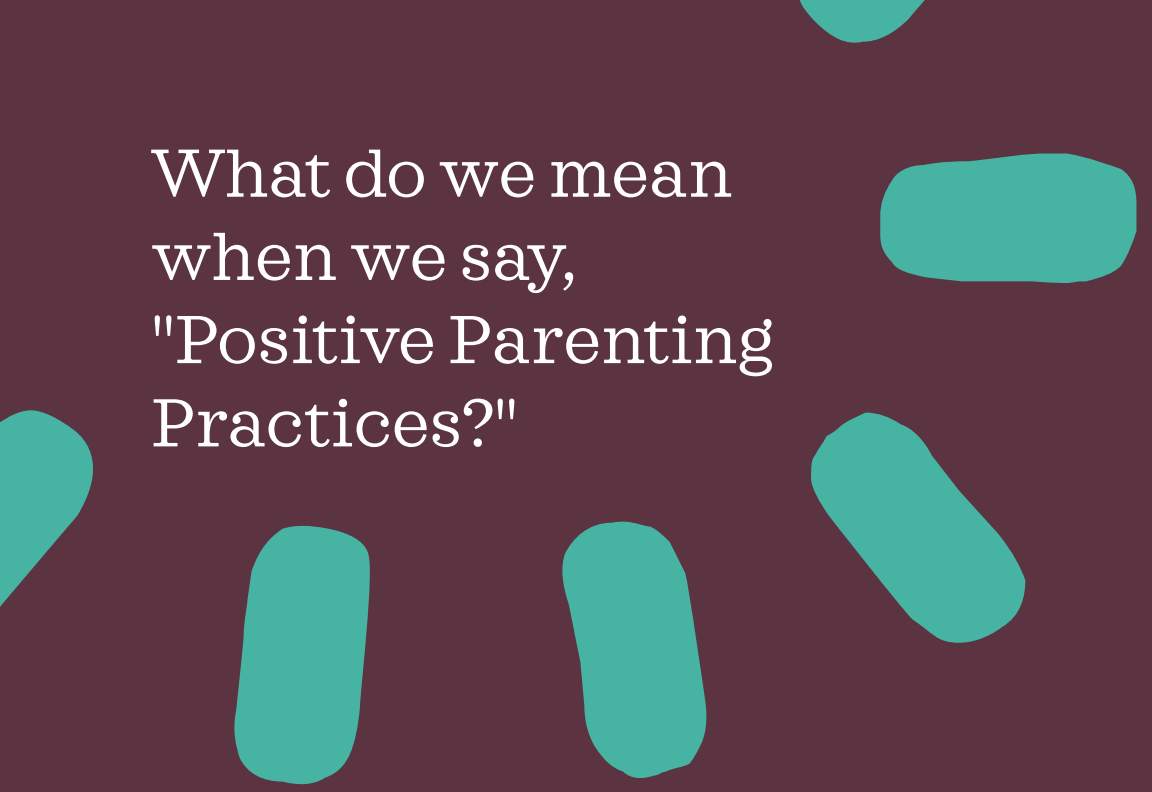
Fathers' role in promoting Positive Parenting Practices: Identifying obstacles and creating possibilities

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The Consultation Center
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Setting the stage.....

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What do we mean
when we say,
"Positive Parenting
Practices?"

- These are parenting behaviors that prepares your child for independence
- These behaviors exhibited by parents consider their stage of development
- They are "positive" in that they are focused on engaging the child in ways that can feel good

What do you mean when you say, "they are developmentally grounded?"



- It understands that children, depending on where they are developmentally, need different things from their parents
- These needs are related to their:
 - Physical
 - Emotional/Psychological
 - Social
 - Cognitive development

So, when we think about positive parenting skills, these skills should be tailored to where our kids are at developmentally?

- Yes!
- They should also play to your strengths and the child's needs





What are these practices?

Pre-term children need.....



- Fathers to support their mother
- Engage in prenatal care with the mother
- Take care of his health
- Begin to engage with them while they are in mom's belly

Infant children need.....

- Fathers to talk to them
- Answer them when they make sounds
- Read to them
- Sing to them
- Praise and give lots of attention
- Cuddle them
- Play with them
- You to take care of you


Toddler children (1-2 years of age) need.

- To be read to daily
- Asked to find things or name parts of body
- Play matching games
- Explore new things
- To be talked to
- Develop some independence
- You to respond more to wanted behaviors
- You to encourage curiosity





What does this
mean for you?

A photograph of a man with dark, curly hair and a beard, smiling broadly. He is carrying a young boy on his shoulders. The boy is wearing a colorful plaid shirt and is also smiling. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green, suggesting an outdoor setting. There are three teal brushstroke-like shapes in the top left and bottom left corners of the image.

Considering the
profile of the men
you serve....

List the different
profiles of
fathers served....





How will the
positive
parenting
practices change
as a function of
these?



Thank you

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Questions?



Can be found on the EPIC website or
bit.ly/hs-deadlines-and-events

April 2021

Deadlines:

- Apr 2 [Trauma Informed, Resilience-Oriented and Equitable Care Community of Practice Application Due](#)
Apr 15 HSMED-II Report (CSV or XML) Due
Apr 30 Aggregate Report (Excel) Due

Events:

- Apr 1 [Rapid Response Virtual Home Visiting Series Webinar #1](#)
Apr 7 HS Breastfeeding Cohort Meeting #2 – *Cohort members only*
Apr 12 [CIGNAL for Perinatal Behavioral & Mental Health Webinar](#)
Apr 13 [Fatherhood Talk Tuesday](#)
Apr 14 HS CAN Cohort Meeting #4 – *Cohort members only*
Apr 16 [Quality Improvement Learning Academy Meeting #3](#)
Apr 20 [Maternal Mental Health Series Webinar #1](#)
Apr 21 HS COIN Meeting #5 – *COIN members only*
Apr 21 HS Evaluation Cohort Meeting #2 – *Cohort members only*
Apr 22 [Harambee: Creating Context for Equity and Justice Webinar #3](#)
Apr 22 [NPCL Fatherhood Development Training Day 1](#)
Apr 23 [NPCL Fatherhood Development Training Day 2](#)
Apr 27 [Rapid Response Virtual Home Visiting Series Webinar #2](#)
Apr 28 Fatherhood Cohort Meeting #4 – *Cohort members only*
Apr 28 [Conversations with the Division](#)

Healthy Start Staff Support Groups hosted by Postpartum Support International – held weekly through May 2021

- Frontline Staff Group: Wednesdays from 3-4 p.m. EST
- Project Directors/Managers Group: Mondays from 2-3 p.m. EST

Positive Parenting Resources

Evidence-Based Practices Available on Healthy Start EPIC Center Website

This resource was developed by the Healthy Start TA & Support Center at NICHQ for the April 2021 Fatherhood Talk Tuesday, which focused on Positive Parenting. This document includes evidence-based practices found on the Healthy Start EPIC Center website that focus on positive parenting and child abuse prevention.

[2018 Prevention Resource Guide](#)

This prevention resource guide offers information, strategies, and resources to support community service providers as they work with parents, caregivers, and children to prevent child maltreatment and promote social and emotional well-being. The guide focuses on protective factors that build on family strengths and promote optimal child and youth development. Information about protective factors is augmented with tools and strategies that help providers, advocates and policymakers integrate the factors into community programs and systems. The guide includes tip sheets for parents in English and Spanish on a range of parenting and child development topics.

- Content includes:
 - Tools for public awareness and creating supportive communities
 - Developing & sustaining prevention programs (includes resources on developing prevention program, conducting community needs assessment, collaboration and partnerships, funding strategies, and making an economic case for prevention in your community or state)
 - Evaluation tools for prevention programs

[Boot Camp for New Dads](#)

Boot Camp is a father-to-father community-based workshop that aims to inspire and equip men to become confidently engaged with their infants, support their mates, and personally navigate their transformation into dads. The nonprofit has been named a best practice by many organizations and, having graduated over 325,000 men, is by far the nation's largest program for new fathers.

- Content includes:
 - Boot Camp overview and registration information
 - Resources (includes resource for partners, childbirth educators, community organizers, and more)

[Boston Basics](#)

The Boston Basics Campaign is inspired by the fact that 80% of brain growth happens in the first three years of life. During this period, skill gaps between socioeconomic, racial, and ethnic groups become clearly apparent, but this does not need to be. Everyday interactions between children, their parents, and other caregivers provide abundant opportunities to give children from every background a more equal start in life. The Basics are five, fun, simple, and powerful ways that every family can give every child a strong start beginning from birth: 1) maximize love, manage stress, 2) talk, sing and point, 3) count, group and compare, 4) explore through movement and play, and 5) read and discuss stories. The Basics Community Toolkit provides multi-media resources that healthcare and community-based organizations can use to engage and support parents and other caregivers in practicing these basics. The Boston Basics website and materials are also available in Spanish.

Developed by the Healthy Start TA & Support Center at NICHQ

Building a Successful Fatherhood Program Training

The Building a Successful Fatherhood Program Training was held on January 29 and March 19.

Visit healthystartepic.org to view the session recordings and content.



Reminder:
Please return the Checklist (Worksheet 11)
to healthystart@nichq.org

Available to Grantees:
**One-Year License of
Fathering in 15 Curriculum**



If you are interested in obtaining the Fathering in 15 curriculum for your Healthy Start project, please complete the survey by Friday, April 16.

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May Fatherhood Talk Tuesday:
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May 11, 2021 from 3-4:30 PM ET



Thank you!

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