

# *More Than Just Performance Measures*



Using the HS Grantee Self-Assessment Tool  
to identify QI and program planning  
opportunities



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Healthy Start EPIC Center

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  - *Andrew Paoletti / Data Analyst*
- **Kansas City Healthy Start Initiative**
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  - *Jean Craig / Project Manager*
- **Near North Healthy Start**
  - *Crystal Flowers / QI Director*



# Today's Objectives



1. Explain the role of the Grantee Self-Assessment in quality improvement planning
2. Describe benefits to various methods of completing the tool
3. Describe example technical assistance resources available to address self-assessment findings

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# Healthy Start Program Self-Assessment Tool



# What is it?

- Opportunity for the grantees to reflect on implementation of the Healthy Start program
- Identify opportunities for improvement to inform program planning
- Identify program strengths/leverage points



# What is it?

## GRANTEE SELF-ASSESSMENT TO INFORM CBA PLANNING

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this short program self-assessment. Your Healthy Start Program may choose to use this voluntary self-assessment as a reflective tool to identify strengths and areas for improvement where the Healthy Start EPIC Center might be able to provide training or technical assistance. This is a voluntary tool, and the results may be used and shared however your program feels is most appropriate.

This program self-assessment is broken out into two sections - one focused on your Healthy Start activities, and the second looking at the systems and operations in which these services exists.

### What next?

Based on your results, your Healthy Start program may choose to seek training or technical assistance from the Healthy Start EPIC Center to support identified areas for improvement. Feel free to discuss your results and potential training or technical assistance options with your Project Officer or your region's Technical Assistance Coordinator. You may also visit [www.healthyepic.org](http://www.healthyepic.org) to search the existing knowledgebase, view recorded webinars, or submit a technical assistance request.

Healthy Start Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Month/Year Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Roles Involved in Completing Self-Assessment:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION ONE: HEALTHY START ACTIVITIES

First, please tell us how your program is doing in each of the following areas of activity by checking a box in one of the first three columns. Then, please check the box in the last column if this is an area in which you would like to receive targeted support. Please feel free to add comments explaining why (or why not) you are interested in receiving support.

| Our Healthy Start Program...                                      | Meeting our program goal's for this performance measure | Have not yet met our program's goal for this performance measure but have improvement plans in place | Not meeting our program's goal for this performance measure | Check if this is a priority area in which you'd like support |
|---|---|--|---|--|
| Helps program participants access health insurance.               | <input type="checkbox"/>                                | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |
| Developing/documenting reproductive life plans with participants. | <input type="checkbox"/>                                | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |
| Making sure participants receive their postpartum visit.          | <input type="checkbox"/>                                | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |
| Connecting participants with a usual source of care.              | <input type="checkbox"/>                                | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |
| Promoting safe sleep practice.                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |
| Promoting breastfeeding.  | <input type="checkbox"/>                                | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |



# What is it?

- Two sections:
  - Section I: Healthy Start Performance Measures/Activities
  - Section II: Program Systems and Operations
    - Leadership
    - Structure and Services
    - Staffing
    - Operations

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- Strengthen Family Resilience
- Achieve Collective Impact
- Increase Accountability



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is now open! Click here and  
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The Healthy Start EPIC Center provides training, consultation, and technical resources to community-based agencies working to give every child a healthy start. Healthy Start grantees can request technical assistance and receive help achieving their program goals.



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Request TA

### Webinars [More >](#)

Hear from Your Peer: More than just performance measures: Using the HS Grantee Self-Assessment Tool to identify QI and program planning opportunities  
March 20 @ 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Ask the Expert: Criminalization and Legal Implications of Substance Use Among Pregnant Women as it Impacts Tribal Communities  
March 22 @ 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Regional Meeting 1 (Atlanta, GA): April 9-10, 2018: Grantees to attend: MS, AL, AR, LA, FL, GA  
April 9 - April 10

### Evidence-Based Practices [More >](#)

Building on Campaigns with Conversations: An Individualized Approach to Helping Families Embrace Safe Sleep & Breastfeeding

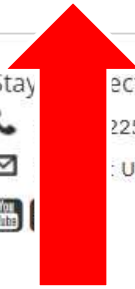
American Academy of Pediatrics/Safe Sleep

NICHQ Infant Mortality Prevention Toolkit

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# How should we complete the tool?

- Option #1: Team approach
  - Recommended by Healthy Start EPIC Center
  - Staff complete the tool individually, then meet to discuss answers and come to consensus (if possible)
  - Include staff representatives from all levels/areas
- Benefits
  - 360° view of program
  - Consensus-building
  - Opportunity for reflective discussion
- Potential Challenges
  - Takes more time



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# How should we complete the tool?

- Option #2: Individual Approach w Automated Scoring
  - Staff completes survey individually (on paper, or electronically)
  - TAC or other party manually tabulates average scores
  - Group prioritizes based on tabulated scores
- Benefits
  - Anonymity
  - Quicker process
- Potential Challenges
  - May miss nuanced differences in opinions
  - Team reflection on the program

# Hear from your peers!

- **Near North Healthy Start | Chicago, IL**
  - *Crystal Flowers | QI Director*



*Team Members:  
Ebony Markin and  
Nicole Bradley*



# What do we do with the results?

- Identify priority areas for TA
- Identify possible leverage points
- Discuss results with your Project Officer and TAC (optional, recommended)
- Review resources available at the Healthy Start EPIC Center website



# Quality Improvement and Program Planning

- Programs can celebrate areas of strength, and apply those lessons to areas for improvement.
- Potential to identify areas for improvement that were not previously known, or obvious.
- Opportunity for programs to highlight their proactivity in making their program stronger in its implementation HS.

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# Planning for action...

## 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter – covers October 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018

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| Q18 | Ability to Motivate & Mobilize CAN Members, Community Stakeholders, and Participants - Our HS program inspires and motivates those with potential to be most affected by program's work to be involved in our CAN. Our CAN meetings are held regularly and are well-attended. |
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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter – covers July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018

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| Q29 | Strategic Planning - Our HS program has a clear strategic plan that is aligned with organizational goals and objectives, and is used as a strategic planning tool.                                 |
| Q32 | Financial Management - Our HS program has solid financial plans which are continuously updated. Our budget reflects organizational needs and objectives, and is used as a strategic planning tool. |

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter – covers April 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018

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| Q34 | Database Management - Our HS program has a database that is regularly updated and contains accurate information.   |
| Q24 | Healthy Start Screening Tools: Implementation - Our HS program staff are comfortable implementing the screening tools - including confidentiality and consent considerations - and make the appropriate follow-up and referrals. |
| Q37 | Demographic Data - Our HS program has demographic data that is regularly updated and used to inform program activities.  |
| Q28 | Recruiting, Development, & Retention of Staff - Our HS senior management team is actively interested in staff development, offering the opportunity for staff to grow and advance in their careers.                              |

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter – covers January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2018

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| Q31 | Decision-Making - Our HS program has a clear decision-making process that is used to resolve conflicts and make decisions.   |
| Q16 | Overarching strategy - Our HS program has a coherent strategy that is both actionable and linked to our overall mission, vision, and overarching goals. This strategy helps drive day-to-day actions at all levels of the program.   |
| Q17 | Shared Beliefs & Values - Our HS program has a core set of beliefs and values that are aligned with those of our participants, and are shared across leadership changes. These values are the foundation of our work and support our program's purpose.  |
| Q23 | Participant Recruitment & Retention - Our HS program staff recruit and maintain engagement with women and children who will benefit from the HS program. Our program meets enrollment goals, has an outreach and retention plan, and uses quality improvement to strengthen and sustain recruitment and retention efforts. |

# Resources to support QI and Program Planning



# What's available to support this work?

- The Healthy Start EPIC Center has a plethora of FREE resources available to grantees, accessible through [www.Healthy StartEPIC.org](http://www.HealthyStartEPIC.org)
  - Training calendar for upcoming webinars
  - Archived webinars
  - Inventory of evidence-based practices
  - Request TA
  - Communications and Recruitment & Retention Toolkit
  - Project Director Guide & Project Management Hub



# What's available to support this work?

- Free, tailored technical assistance!
  - Support Healthy Start grantees in achieving program goals.
  - In-depth assistance in a focused area to support practical application of evidence-based practices.
  - Offered through various modalities and intensities, based on grantee need:
    - Virtual: E-mail, phone, video conference, webinar
    - In-person

# And our newest addition...

## *Healthy Start Performance Measures: Grantee Self-Assessment and Capacity-Building Strategies and Resources Toolkit*



Found on the Approaches page on [HealthyStartEPIC.org](http://HealthyStartEPIC.org)





# Technical Assistance Coordinators



| TA Coordinators       | Project Officer               |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Naomi Clemmons        | Juliann DeStefano; Chris Lim  |
| Kimberly Bradley      | Ansley Marcellus              |
| Katie Robert          | Sandy Lloyd                   |
| Amanda Baker          | Sandra Mathoslah              |
| Katelyn Flaherty-Doré | Sharon Adamo                  |
| Karuna Chibber        | Sonsy Fermin; Madelyn Reyes   |
| Hannabah Blue         | Mary Emanuele                 |
| Naima Cozier          | Cardora Barnes                |
| Cathy Bodkin          | Maria Benke; Christina Lottie |
| Aisha Moore           | Robert Windom                 |
| Megan Hiltner         | Angela Hayes Tolliver         |



# Questions?



# Key Takeaways

1. The Healthy Start Program Self-Assessment tool can be used by ALL grantees for QI and program planning.
2. A group consensus-building approach to completing the tool is recommended.
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