



Healthy Babies Collaborative

Healthy babies born and raised in safe and stable families and communities

Our Founding Partners

Abilities Network—
Healthy Families

MedStar Franklin Square
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Get Involved!

If you or the organization you are affiliated with would like to become involved with the Healthy Babies Collaborative and our efforts to create positive impact on families and children in our community, please let us know!

Who We Are

Healthy Babies Collaborative (HBC) unites local organizations who have a common interest in promoting positive birth outcomes for mothers and their families. Data collected and recorded by the Baltimore County Local Management Board indicates that infant mortality rates and the number of babies born with low birth weight are particularly high in a concentrated area of the County. With funding from the United Way of Central Maryland and others, the collaborative offers education, resources, and support to these families.

What We Do

A series of programs and activities have been coordinated by the Healthy Babies Collaborative, in alignment with our vision, to create positive impact and a shift in outcomes within the communities we are targeting. These initiatives are funded in part through a grant from the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and include:

- **A weekly "Essex Breastfeeding Moms Luncheon,"** bringing new nursing mothers and their babies together for support and encouragement along with ongoing education from a certified lactation consultant.
- **Breastfeeding education** provided in home visits with new moms who are considered high risk, by representatives of the Abilities Network's "Healthy Families Program."
- **Provision of breastfeeding training to service providers** to encourage breastfeeding and promote its benefits to new moms.
- **Development of a breastfeeding resources list** providing moms with quick and convenient access to information and tools for successful nursing.

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