AAP Maternal-Infant Health and Opioid Use ECHO

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) is recruiting up to 20 primary care practices to join a 6-month learning collaborative aimed at implementing clinical interventions to improve the health outcomes of families affected by prenatal opioid exposure. Pediatric practices who are interested in developing sustainable patient- and family-centered approaches to engagement, referral to treatment, and recovery of the mother-infant dyad are encouraged to apply.

Practices will engage in the ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) modelTM, a telementoring platform that leverages video conference technology to connect experts with primary care teams in local communities, fostering an “all teach, all learn” approach.

Benefits of participating:

- Increase knowledge regarding best practices for screening, referral, treatment and follow-up care addressing prenatal opioid exposure
- Improve the quality of care in mothers and infants while using a supportive and recover-friendly approach
- Learn new quality improvement (QI) methods and track improvement through monthly data collection to achieve desired outcomes in your practice
- Network and problem solve with others
- Participating pediatricians will have the opportunity to earn American Board of Pediatrics Part 4 Maintenance of Certification (MOC) credit.

Who should apply:
Practices providing primary care who:

- Are interested in developing and sustaining supportive and recovery-friendly approaches to improve both maternal and infant health
- Can assemble a team of members that may include:
  - A primary care physician
  - A nurse
  - An additional team member such as front office person, practice manager, or care coordinator
- Provide primary care to newborns and infants

Timeline:

October 2020

- Submit online application
- Receive onboarding materials

October 2020

November 2020 - April 2021

- Attend monthly ECHO sessions
- Conduct monthly deidentified chart reviews
- Prepare a case review form
- Test changes to improve access to quality healthcare for patients

April 2021

- Complete post evaluation survey
- Participate in focus group

Interested?

Apply online by October 22, 2020

Contact Shannon Limjuco, ECHO Manager at slimjuco@aap.org for any questions.

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