AAP Maternal-Infant Health and Opioid Use ECHO

The American Academy of Pediatrics is recruiting up to 20 primary care practices to join an 8-month learning collaborative aimed to implement 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) model™, 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 recovery-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 (pending approval)

**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:**

- **November - December 2019**
  - Submit online application

- **December 2019**
  - Receive onboarding materials

- **January - July 2020**
  - Attend monthly ECHO sessions
  - Conduct monthly de-identified chart reviews
  - Prepare a case review form
  - Test changes to improve access to quality healthcare for patients

- **July 2020**
  - Complete post evaluation survey
  - Participate in focus group

**Interested?**

Apply online by December 18, 2019

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

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