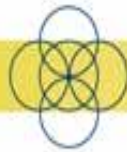


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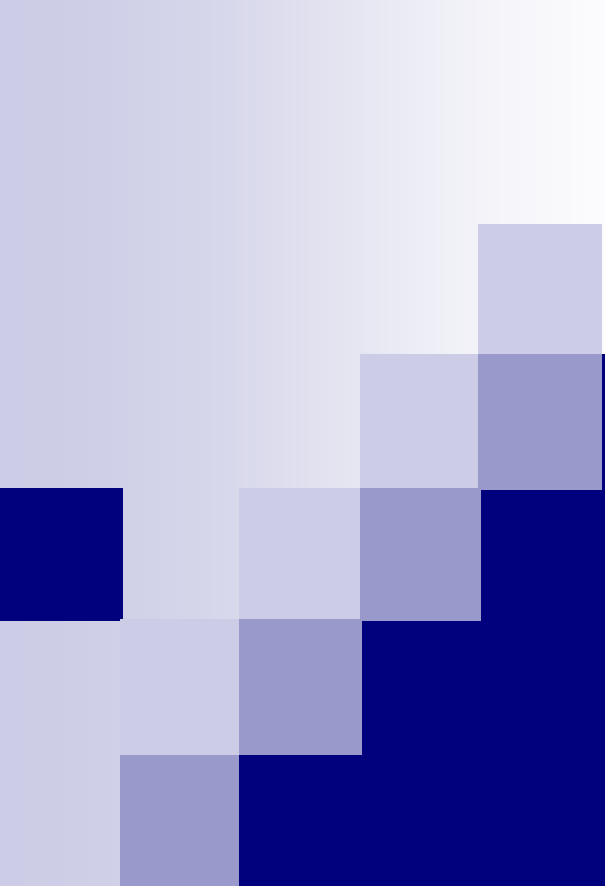
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Cooperative Agreement with

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Maternal and Child Health Bureau

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The priority for this national project is to develop strategies to improve the capacity of the medical home and early intervention community to identify, appropriately serve, and integrate children with autism into their communities.

This will be accomplished through technical assistance, resource activities and collaboration with numerous health care, educational and other community partners.



Goal One

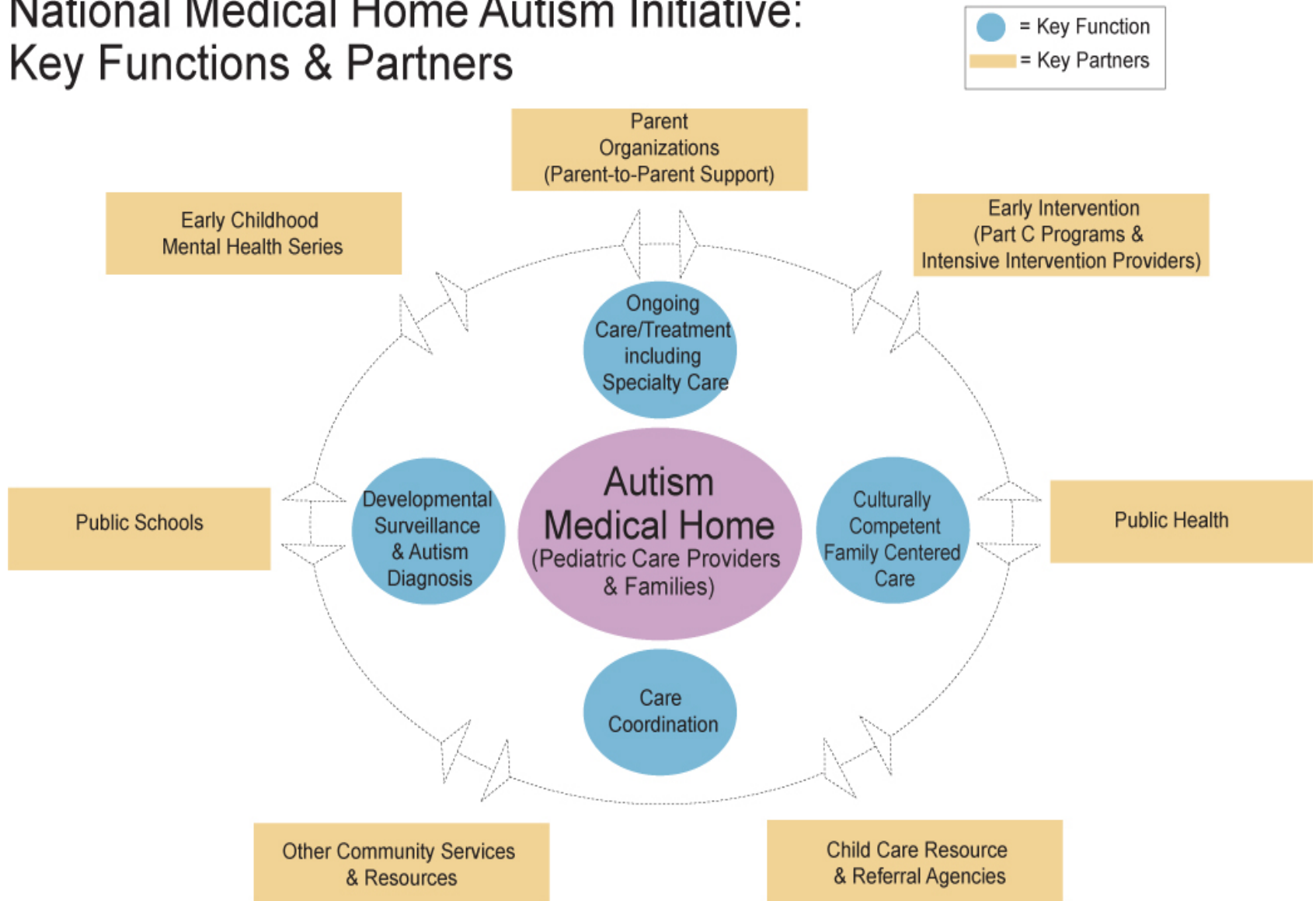
To develop partnerships with primary care practices that will promote developmental surveillance of all children within the medical home practice – giving particular attention referral and coordination of services to children with Autism Spectrum Disorder.



Goal Two

To enhance the capacity of providers and consumers throughout the nation to understand and apply the principles of the medical home and medical service options for children with autism and their families.

National Medical Home Autism Initiative: Key Functions & Partners



*Adapted from: Halfon, N., Regalado, M., McLearn, K., Kuo, A., Wright, K., (2003). Building a Bridge from Birth to School: Improving Developmental and Behavioral Health Services for Young Children. The Commonwealth Fund

Medical Home Partnerships

established in 2004 / 2005

- Chicago, Illinois
Children's Health Care
Associates
- Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin
Marshfield Clinic
- Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin
Midlefort Clinic
- Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
FDL Regional Clinic
- Rhinelander, Wisconsin

The role of NMHAI is to:

- Provide technical assistance to primary care practices participating as partners
- Support and provide assistance for implementation of office based developmental surveillance
 - Developmental screening tools and materials
 - Community resources
 - Referral process and options
 - Billing support
- Assist with development of relationships to build coordination of services with community partners
 - Birth to 3 programs
 - Public education
 - Pediatric sub specialists
 - Other community agencies
- Develop issue briefs and other resource materials that promote and share the experiences of the medical home partners.

Medical Home Partners are expected to:

- Demonstrate an interest and commitment to providing coordinated medical services to children with ASD
- Understand the principles of the medical home as promoted by MCHB and AAP including the key functions identified by NMHAI.
- Agree to begin or continue to incorporate key functions identified by NMHAI as regular procedure within the practice.
- Dialogue with NMHAI to share lessons learned and improvements within the practice that enhance the care of children with ASD and their families.
- Strengthen developmental surveillance and screening process currently used during regular preventive visits.
- Collaborate with NMHAI to field test emerging models for developmental screening and medical services specifically related to autism.

Resources and Collaborations

- Develop issue briefs that address the elements of the medical home – autism services conceptual framework.
 - Role of medical home to advance Early ID and Intervention of ASD
 - Developmental Surveillance & Autism Diagnosis.
 - Culturally Competent / Family Centered Care as relates to ASD
 - Ongoing Care & Treatment, including specialty care.
 - Community Assessment & Ongoing Care Coordination.

- Collaborative projects and efforts will be initiated with our advisory partners, medical home partners, individuals with ASD and/ or their families and other interested organizations.

- Forums will be planned as a method of collaboration and may focus on the review of literature as related to the development of issue briefs; medical service options for ASD; and/ or other specifically identified issues.

Collaborative Organizations

- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
- Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD)
- Autism Society of America (ASA)
- Boston University Autism Research Center (STAART Program).
- Division for Early Childhood (DEC) - Council for Exceptional Children
- Division of Specialized Care for Children, University of Illinois Chicago,
- Family Voices
- Lawton & Rhea Chiles Center of the University of South Florida
- Medical Home Initiative, Dept. Health and Human Services/Health Resource & Service Administration, Maternal Child Health Bureau
- National Center for Cultural Competence – Georgetown University Center for Child and Human Development
- National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center
- National Initiative for Children's Healthcare Quality (NICHQ)
- Social and Scientific Systems
- American Academy of Pediatrics, Wisconsin Chapter
- American Academy of Pediatrics, Illinois Chapter
- Autism Society of Wisconsin
- Family Voices of Wisconsin
- Wisconsin Children & Youth with Special Health Care Needs Program, Division of Public Health, Dept. of Health & Family Services
- Wisconsin Child Care Resource and Referral Network
- Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
- Wisconsin Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Initiative, Department of Health and Family Services
- Wisconsin Birth to 3 Program, Division of Disability and Elder Service, Dept. of Health and Family Services
- Wisconsin Head Start State Collaboration Project
- Wisconsin Initiative for Infant Mental Health
- Wisconsin Surveillance of Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities System – UW Madison

Technical Assistance and other activities:

- Provide technical assistance to individuals as requested. Coordinate efforts through the Waisman Resource Center / Southern CYSHCN Resource Center.
- Participate in public awareness and Outreach activities that promote increased knowledge and resources for autism, early childhood development, medical home practice and coordination of service for individuals with developmental disabilities.
- Participate in national and regional autism and medical home initiatives and conferences. Provide information on autism and medical home through presentations or displays at these conferences.



Cooperative Agreement

A portion of time is available to support and assist the Federal Maternal Child Health Bureau Division of Children with Special Health Care Needs with their work to improve the capacity of the medical home and early intervention community to identify, appropriately serve and integrate children with ASD into their communities



Facilitation and Support for the Autism Guideline Work Group

NMHAI is providing facilitation and assistance to MCHB's Autism Service Guideline work group that has been charged with the task of reviewing current autism service practices, knowledge and guidelines and with the development of new guidelines that will insure adequate identification, referral and service options for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and their families.

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