

The Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), in cooperation with the Children's Safety Network, is launching the second cohort of Child Safety Learning Collaborative to reduce fatal and serious injuries among infants, children, and adolescents. The first cohort began in November 2018 thru April 2020. The second cohort will launch in May 2020 thru October 2021. Eligible applicants must be the Title V State/Jurisdiction Health Department, though any interested organization can collaborate with their health department to participate.

Benefits of Participating in the Child Safety Learning Collaborative

Through this new initiative, your state/jurisdiction has the opportunity to:

- Join a national network of peers who will share lessons learned, conquer challenges, and implement and spread evidence-driven strategies and programs to prevent childhood injuries and achieve state and national performance measures;
- Participate in ongoing trainings, personalized coaching, and technical assistance from nationally renowned content experts to support and guide your program improvement efforts; and
- Build the capacity to establish a child safety system of improvement in your state/jurisdiction.

In the Learning Collaborative, states and jurisdictions will:

- Attend a 2-day, in-person Learning Session and an annual online Learning Session that offer in-depth guidance on implementing and spreading evidence-driven strategies and programs;
- Participate in online meetings that feature presentations by injury and violence prevention experts and facilitate opportunities to learn and share with other states and jurisdictions;
- Receive customized coaching and technical assistance from the Children's Safety Network;
- Utilize a web portal and online workspace to report on your state's/jurisdiction's child safety activities and get feedback and guidance from the Children's Safety Network;
- Access new child safety and program improvement resources and materials that are developed through the Learning Collaborative; and
- Receive a monthly e-newsletter with information and updates on the Learning Collaborative.

Topic Areas of the Child Safety Learning Collaborative

To achieve the goal of reducing fatal and serious injuries among infants, children, and adolescents, the Learning Collaborative will focus on the following five topic areas:

- Bullying Prevention
- Poisoning Prevention (includes the prevention of prescription medication and opioid misuse/abuse)
- Motor Vehicle Traffic Safety (includes child passenger traffic safety and teen driver/passenger traffic safety)
- Sudden Unexpected Infant Death (SUID) Prevention
- Suicide and Self-Harm Prevention

How to Apply

Applicants must be a Title V State or jurisdiction health departments. Applicants are invited to apply for the Learning Collaborative using a brief application form and statement of commitment. To download the application form and get more information about the Learning Collaborative, visit the Children's Safety Network website at: <http://childrenssafetynetwork.org>.

Interested states and jurisdictions must submit the completed application form and statement of commitment to csninfo@edc.org by Friday, February 28, 2020, 5pm Eastern Time.

For questions about the application form and the Learning Collaborative, please contact Jenny Stern-Carusone, CSLC Director, at jsstern-carusone@edc.org or 617-618-2980.