



Why Partner with Help Me Grow North Texas?

What is Help Me Grow: Help Me Grow North Texas is proud to be an affiliate of Help Me Grow, a national evidence-based model that works to promote collaboration across child-serving sectors in order to build a more efficient and effective system that promotes the optimal healthy development of young children. Help Me Grow services to promote optimal development of all young children and identify those with developmental concerns as early as possible and connect them with appropriate services and interventions. Four cooperative and interdependent core components characterize the Help Me Grow system model:

- 1) A centralized access point that assists families and providers in connection to community based programs and services
- 2) Family and community outreach to build understanding of child development and services available in the community
- 3) When potential problems are spotted early on, they can be easier to address. Provider Support and Training loops early childhood providers into the system and supports early detection and intervention efforts.
- 4) Data Collection & Analysis supports evaluation, helps identify systemic gaps, bolsters advocacy efforts, and guides quality improvement.

Benefits of Partnership: Help Me Grow offers a variety of benefits to community agencies and programs that chose to partner as this early childhood system is built out across the 18 county service area.

- 1) Quality materials and trainings to support optimal child development
- 2) Bi-directional referrals for family serving organizations
- 3) Support in implementation and/or expansion of developmental screening practice
- 4) Contribute to collective impact efforts to improve outcomes for all North Texas families
- 5) Increase equitable access to quality programs for marginalized families
- 6) Provide expertise to improve early childhood systems
- 7) Support in implementation and/or expansion of family engagement and leadership

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Partner Pledge

Thank you for your interest in partnering with Help Me Grow North Texas. Help Me Grow strives to promote optimal development of all young children and support those with developmental concerns as early as possible, connecting them with appropriate services and resources. As you read the options of ways to partner with Help Me Grow, please feel free to check as many of the boxes that pertain to you.

As a partner of Help Me Grow North Texas, I pledge to:

- Implement a developmental screening practice
- Promote universal (meaning "to all") developmental screenings
- Promote optimal, healthy child development
- Share about Help Me Grow with families and community partners
- Connect families to appropriate services and make referrals for further assessment as needed
- Follow the process of entry consideration and updates for FINDconnect
- Identify service gaps and barriers within our agency or the community as it relates to the Help Me Grow system
- Address service gaps and barriers within our agency or the community, such as through special projects or other quality improvement efforts
- Attend general collaborative meetings twice a year
- Participate in one or more of the five subcommittees that meet quarterly (Data, Marketing, Centralized Access, Provider Support & Training, & Family Engagement)
- Provide Help Me Grow common indicator data on an annual basis
- Promote, partner, and engage with family leaders within our agency, the community, and Help Me Grow
- Offer evidence based trainings to the community
- Other: _____

Partner Name

Partner Agency

Partner Contact Information

Date

If you have questions related to the partnership pledge or would like to submit your pledge, please contact Faith.Rivera@mhmrtc.org. You can also fill out the pledge in a survey form by clicking on [this link](#). After your partner pledge has been received, a Help Me Grow staff or leadership team member will contact you with next steps to support your partnership.

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