



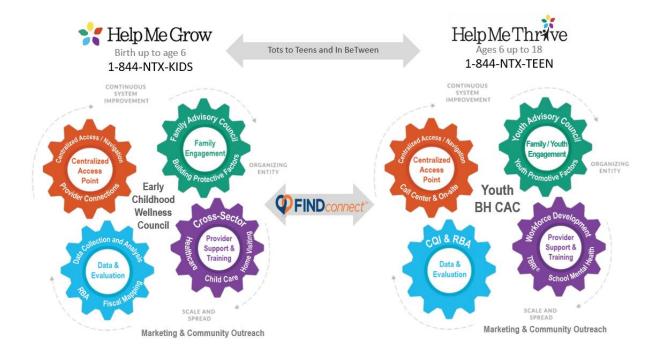
# Partnership with Help Me Grow-Help Me Thrive North Texas

#### **Overview**

Help Me Grow North Texas is proud to be an affiliate of Help Me Grow, a national evidencebased 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 ages 0 to 6. Help Me Grow serves 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.

**Help Me Thrive North Texas** is a local enhancement of the Help Me Grow model but focusing on youth aged 6 to 18 in North Texas to also promote optimal development of youth and connect their families with appropriate services and interventions.

# Four cooperative core components characterize the Help Me Grow-Help Me Thrive system model:



- 1) A **Centralized Access Point** (CAP) assists families and providers in connection to community-based programs and services.
- 2) **Family and Community Outreach** promotes family engagement and leadership as well as outreach to the community about services, programs and events.
- 3) **Provider Support and Training** links early childhood & youth service providers to high-quality training and supports developmental screening and intervention efforts.
- 4) **Data Collection & Analysis** supports evaluation, helps identify systemic gaps, bolsters advocacy efforts, and guides continuous quality improvement.

### **Benefits of Partnership**

Help Me Grow & Help Me Thrive system of care models offer a variety of benefits to community agencies and individuals:

- 1) Quality materials and trainings to support optimal child & youth development
- 2) Bi-directional referrals for family serving organizations through the FINDconnect system
- 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-youth serving systems
- 7) Support in implementation and/or expansion of family and youth engagement and leadership

#### **Partnership Pledge**

Thank you for your interest in partnering with us. Please feel free to check as many of the boxes that pertain to you or your organization.

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

| Implement a developmental screening practice for young children                         |
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| Promote universal (meaning "to all") developmental screenings                           |
| Promote optimal, healthy child & youth development                                      |
| Share about Help Me Grow-Help Me Thrive with families and community partners            |
| Follow the process to be listed as a resource in our FINDconnect directory with the     |
| acknowledgement that you will be contacted quarterly for any resource updates           |
| Identify service gaps and barriers within the community/region                          |
| 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)        |
| Attend the Early Childhood Wellness Council (western side of region), the Family        |
| Wellness Council (eastern side of region), or the MHMR Tarrant Youth Community          |
| Advisory Committee  |
| Recommend/or become a Family or Youth Partners for HMG or HMT                           |
| <ul> <li>Click <u>here</u> for more information on family partner engagement</li> </ul> |
| Offer evidence based trainings to the community   |
| Other:  |

| Partner Name                | Partner Agency |
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| Partner Contact Information | Date           |

If you have questions related to the partnership pledge or would like to submit your pledge, please contact <a href="mailto:Tiffini.Smith@mhmrtc.org">Tiffini.Smith@mhmrtc.org</a> for Help Me Grow or <a href="mailto:Autumn.Schumacher@mhmrtc.org">Autumn.Schumacher@mhmrtc.org</a> for Help Me Thrive. You can also fill out the pledge in a survey form by clicking on <a href="mailto:this.link">this link</a>. 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.

You can find more information on our websites and social media:

Help Me Grow North Texas <u>www.HelpMeGrowNorthTexas.org</u> 844-NTX-KIDS

Help Me Thrive North Texas <u>www.HelpMeThriveNorthTexas.org</u> 844-NTX-TEEN