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**Birth to 3 Program
Family Listening
Session**

Circles of Life Conference


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Your feedback will not be shared or posted publicly.

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- Everyone is currently muted. You will have the opportunity to unmute yourself later in the session.
-  You can submit your questions and comments in the chat feature.

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Goals for Today

- Describe the Birth to 3 Program.
- Describe our outreach campaign.
- Gather your input and feedback about the Birth to 3 Program and outreach campaign.

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Getting to Know DHS

- DHS is committed to protecting and promoting the health and safety of the people of Wisconsin, and making sure everyone can live their best life.
- The Birth to 3 Program in Wisconsin is operated at the local, county level and monitored by DHS.

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Getting to Know You

Poll Question 1: Are you a family, agency staff, advocate, or other?

- Family
- Agency staff
- Advocate
- Provider
- Other (type in chat pod)

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Getting to Know You (2)

Poll Question 2: Are you or were you enrolled in the Birth to 3 Program?

- Yes, I am currently enrolled.
- Yes, I was enrolled in the past.
- No.

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Getting to Know You (3)

Poll Question 3: If you are or have been enrolled, what age was your child when you enrolled?

- 0–11 months
- 1–2 years
- 2–3 years

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About the Birth to 3 Program

- The Birth to 3 Program serves families with children under the age of 3 who have delays or disabilities.
- Families enrolled in the program partner with a team of professional service providers to support the child's growth and learning.

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About the Outreach Campaign

- When the COVID-19 pandemic began, we experienced a drop in enrollment.
- We want to make sure all families and young children have access to the Birth to 3 Program.
- The outreach campaign aims to reach as many people as possible with information about the program.

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About the Outreach Campaign

Our goals include:

- Helping Wisconsin families understand the Birth to 3 Program
- Encouraging doctors, child care professionals, and others who work with children to talk with families about the Birth to 3 Program
- Boosting awareness of the early signs of delays or disabilities, and encourage acting early

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Input Received So Far

As we begin to create outreach materials, we have gathered input from:

- Families
- Advocates
- Health care professionals
- Child care professionals

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Input Received So Far (2)

Families shared:

- The program is able to identify developmental concerns and has had meaningful outcomes for children.
- The program is able to help families in many different ways.
- There are some barrier to accessing information and services and a need for more resources to understand services.
- There is inconsistency with what families experience across all 72 counties.

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Input Received So Far (3)

Providers, counties, and advocates shared:

- They would like to understand the difference between the Birth to 3 Program and medical services.
- They need trainings about eligibility and how to help families contact their local programs.
- They would like materials to give to families about the program.

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New Resources Coming Soon

- Program brochure
- Improved webpages (dhs.wisconsin.gov/birthto3)
- Postcards
- Web ads
- Social media
- Referral tip sheet

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Other Resources Being Planned

- Family success stories
- Services brochure
- Conversation checklist for doctors and people who work with children
- Early intervention booklet for families
- Newsletter articles
- A webinar for doctors

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Your Feedback Will Inform Our Efforts

- Your input will help shape our outreach efforts across Wisconsin.
- Your input will also help improve the Birth to 3 Program.

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Share Your Feedback Verbally



It will look like this when your hand is raised.

Click the raise hand button if you would like to provide verbal feedback. The button will turn blue if your hand is raised.

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Share Your Feedback Verbally

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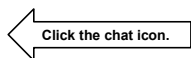
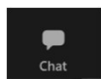
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Share Your Feedback in the Chat

You can also type your comments and feedback in the chat function at any time.



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Question 1

How would you describe the Birth to 3 Program to your friends or family members?

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Question 2

What made you decide if you should enroll in the Birth to 3 Program? What impacted your decision to say "yes" or "no"?

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Question 3

Is there anything you wish would have done or said differently when you were first told about early intervention or the Birth to 3 Program? What information or explanations would have helped you with this decision?

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Question 4

What do you think families need to know to make informed choices about early intervention that should be added to our outreach materials?

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Question 5

Is there anything you would like to add or want us to know?

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Opportunity to Tell Your Story

- We want to share your success stories.
- Your real-life experiences could help others make the choice to seek early intervention.
- Stories will be shared in printed materials, online, and in social media videos.
- If you are interested, send your name and contact information in the chat or email us at dhsBirthto3@dhs.wisconsin.gov.

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Thank you!

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