

# Comprehensive Home Visitation Programs for Families with Young Children: Resource Materials

This guide was developed through the joint efforts of staff at UW-Extension, Family Living Programs, DHFS-Department of Public Health and many others with home visiting programs across the state of Wisconsin. We hope that this guide will be a useful resource for home visiting programs in selecting tools to use in their programs. Please contact us ([pence.revington@uwex.edu](mailto:pence.revington@uwex.edu)) if you know of additional resources that should be added to this guide. Please note that inclusion of a resource on this list is not an endorsement by UW-Extension or DHFS. The decision to use any of these materials must be made by individual programs. This guide was last updated in the spring of 2006.

## Program Development: Tools to help start a home visitation program

Tool/Resource	Description	Specific Features	Contact Information & Website
State of Wisconsin Guidelines and Critical Elements for Comprehensive Home Visitation Programs	1997 WI Act 293 authorized home visitation programs for first-time parents with a child on Medicaid up to 3 years of age using case management and incorporating best practice standards.	This document describes 12 critical elements that were adopted for use by the programs funded as part of the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Comprehensive Home Visiting Program. The critical elements are based on research that links the elements to successful program outcomes including: support for parents, promotion of positive family and child outcomes, and reduction of child abuse and neglect. Some elements are described and linked specifically to program practices, policies and procedures.	Ann Altman Stueck DHFS/DPH (608) 266-3504 <a href="mailto:STUECAC@dhfs.state.wi.us">STUECAC@dhfs.state.wi.us</a> PDF file available at <a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/homevisit">www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/homevisit</a> under the program development tab
Home Visitor Developmental Assessment Scale (HVDAS)	Developed in Wisconsin with input from home visitors on the assumption that home visitors possess a set of skills and abilities that are unique to their field.	The HVDAS describes skills and abilities that are best practice for home visiting programs. They are developmentally and behaviorally defined and categorized into areas of communication, problem solving, and self. The HVDAS can be used to help guide selection and hiring of home visitors who possess qualities needed to be successful.	Ann Keim UW-Extension (608) 262-2453 <a href="mailto:akeim@facstaff.wisc.edu">akeim@facstaff.wisc.edu</a> The current version is posted on line at : <a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/homevisit/hvdas.pdf">http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/homevisit/hvdas.pdf</a>
Healthy Families America Site Development Guide	Comprehensive guide developed specifically for programs interested in planning and implementing a home visiting program using the Healthy Families America Model. The Healthy Families American model for home visitation uses 12 research-based critical elements to guide program services. Programs can apply to become credentialed as a Healthy Families America program.	Manual is copyrighted yet gives permission for reprints with acknowledgement. There are costs for programs and staff to be trained, certified and recertified as Healthy Families programs.  Latest update to the guide: 2000  Manual is available for \$25.  Available as a free download at <a href="http://www.healthyfamiliesamerica.org">www.healthyfamiliesamerica.org</a> under the publications folder.	Prevent Child Abuse America 500 N. Michigan Ave, Suite 200 Chicago, IL 60611  Contact: Phyllis Medrano, (312) 663-3520, ext 115 <a href="http://www.healthyfamiliesamerica.org">www.healthyfamiliesamerica.org</a>

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<p>Parents as Teachers (PAT) Program Planning and Implementation Guide</p>	<p>PAT began as a pilot project in Missouri in 1981 with a goal to increase the number of children entering school “ready to learn”. Serves families with children prenatal to age 5. Parent Educators trained in the PAT model work with parents through home visiting, group meetings, developmental screenings, and linking to community resources.</p>	<p>The curriculum is copyrighted and available after completion of the PAT “Born to Learn” Institute. Accompanying videos and curriculum are available in English and Spanish. Parent Handouts are available in two reading levels and Spanish. Program has strong emphasis on child development, incorporates brain research, and is strength-based. Case management focus depends on sponsoring agency. Curricula are adaptable to Head Start, literacy programs, social service and childcare programs.</p> <p>BTL B-3 curriculum last updated 2005 (available in Spanish)</p> <p>BTL 3-K curriculum last updated 2002 (available in Spanish)</p>	<p>Parents as Teachers National Center St Louis, Missouri (314) 432-4330</p> <p><a href="http://www.parentsasteachers.org">www.parentsasteachers.org</a></p> <p>In Wisconsin contact: Cindy Olson Parents Plus WI (920) 893-5875 <a href="mailto:c.olson@arentspluswi.org">c.olson@arentspluswi.org</a></p>
<p>Advanced Supervision Workshop</p>	<p>PAT piloted this workshop with over 30 home visiting sites. This daylong workshop covers quality standards for supervision time with home visitors, communication strategies, personal learning styles, roles of the supervisor and supported problem solving based on reflective supervision practices.</p>	<p>Provided by the Parents as Teachers State Leader Office in conjunction with UWEX training staff.</p>	<p>Cindy Olson Parents Plus WI (920) 893-5875 <a href="mailto:c.olson@arentspluswi.org">c.olson@arentspluswi.org</a></p>

## Home Visitation Program Essentials: Program Models

Program	Description (Target Population & Primary Goals)	Specific Features	Costs/ Credentialing	Research Citations or Website Link	Contact Information & Website	Wisconsin Programs Using Curriculum
Healthy Families of America	Launched in 1992 by the National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse as voluntary, high-quality home visitation services to support new parents using paraprofessionals. Goals are to promote positive parenting; to encourage child health and development; and to prevent child abuse and neglect.	Supports families at greater risk beginning with weekly visits.  Programs contact most families at their child's birth at local hospitals. Services are provided by skilled, trained home visitors. The effort is defined by 12 critical elements based on two decades of research.	See website for current costs. As of Jan 2002, costs for primary training were of \$3,300 per trainer, travel and hotel expenses for five-day training; and a materials fee of \$45 per participant, plus shipping and handling.  Programs can apply for affiliate status prior to becoming credentialed.	Yes	Prevent Child Abuse America 500 N. Michigan Ave, Suite 200 Chicago, IL 60611  Contact: Phyllis Medrano, (312) 663-3520, ext 115 <a href="http://www.healthyfamiliesamerica.org">www.healthyfamiliesamerica.org</a>	Waukesha County Manitowoc County Ashland-Bayfield Counties La Crosse Waupaca County Portage County/Stevens Point Eau Claire County Walworth County Kenosha County
Parents as Teachers	The goal of the PAT program to support parents to help their children learn and develop to realize their full potential. PAT programs serve families with children prenatal to age 5.	The program collaborates with parents to influence the child's education and learning.  Strength based, developmental curriculum.  Brain research is incorporated in simple language.  Program quality standards and evaluation are based on 12 critical elements as well as PAT Implementation guidelines.	\$875 for 5 day training fee B-3 years and guides(fee will increase Fall 2006)  \$425 for 2 day 3-K training and guides (must be B-3 certified to attend)  \$35 annual recertification fee	See website	Parents as Teachers National Center. St. Louis, MO (314) 432-4330  <a href="http://www.parentsasteachers.org">www.parentsasteachers.org</a>  Contact: Cindy Olson of Parents Plus of WI (920) 893-5875 <a href="mailto:c.olson@parentspluswi.org">c.olson@parentspluswi.org</a>	42 active programs in WI in 2006  A list of current programs (over 3000) can be found on the PAT website.

## Basic/Core Training Opportunities

Program	Description	Specific Features	Costs	Research Citations or Website Link	Contact Information & Website	Wisconsin programs that have attended the training
Home Visitation: The Basics	Three-day workshop covering the “basic skills” home visitors need.	Based on research, and nationally recognized key components of quality home visiting programs, this workshop was developed in WI for home visitors from a variety of programs. Covers strength-based approach, family support principles, skills needed by home visitors, communication, goal setting, social support, personal safety and more.	\$275 fee covers training, materials, lunches, and breaks.	Long-term evaluations of workshops showing impact on practice have been conducted.	<p>Bonnie Geyer, UW-Extension (608) 265-9101 <a href="mailto:bonnie.geyer@uwex.edu">bonnie.geyer@uwex.edu</a></p> <p>Pence Revington, UW-Extension (608) 265-0787 <a href="mailto:pence.revington@uwex.edu">pence.revington@uwex.edu</a></p> <p>Fulfilling the Promise Conference: <a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/conference">www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/conference</a></p> <p>Home Visitation Website: <a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/homevisit/">http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/homevisit/</a></p>	177 Wisconsin programs have participated in this training
Touchpoints Model – Brazelton Touchpoints center	The Brazelton Touchpoints Center (BTC) promotes a community-building model informed by Dr. T. Berry Brazelton's early body of work, which demonstrated that when pediatricians and other health and childcare professionals work as partners with parents, to take advantage of the key developmental opportunities for growth and development, children enjoy better outcomes in health, social, emotional and cognitive well-being.	Touchpoints practice individual level training	Varies- only available to service providers in Racine County	<a href="http://www.touchpoints.org">www.touchpoints.org</a>	<p>Bev Baker Racine County UW-Extension 262-886-8460 <a href="mailto:Beverlee.Baker@goRacine.org">Beverlee.Baker@goRacine.org</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.touchpoints.org">www.touchpoints.org</a></p>	Red Cliff, WI Racine County, WI

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Program	Description	Specific Features	Costs	Research Citations or Website Link	Contact Information & Website	Wisconsin programs that have attended the training
Keys To Caregiving	Program to teach professionals and para-professionals about newborn infant behavior, its effect on caregiver-infant interaction and ways to effectively translate this knowledge to parents.	Program uses videotapes, a training manual, and handouts to teach home visitors (and others working with parents of infants) about infant behavior. Training can be done individually or in a group setting. Parent handouts are available. The tapes and training can be “dry” and may appear to be focused on nurses and the hospital setting. Best if modified for use with home visitors. A training for home visitors has been developed by Kari Morgan, UW-Extension.	\$665 +s/h for Complete Keys Package - 6 Video Set, 1 Facilitator Guide, 1 Study Guide, 1 pad each of 5 Parent Booklets (100/Pad)	Yes	NCAST Publications 206-543-8528  <a href="http://www.ncast.org">http://www.ncast.org</a>  (Click on programs & products on the left side of screen and scroll to find Keys to Caregiving)	All POCAN sites have been exposed to components of the program.
Great Kids Inc. (formerly the Family Institute and Hawaii Healthy Start)	Core training curricula for home visiting programs.	The training uses a “strength-based, solution focused perspective”. There are 2, 4-day core trainings offered: Core Parent Survey Training & Core Family Support Training. Additional trainings for supervisors are available.  Credentialing is not available.	Costs are \$3700 for 4 day training and \$35/\$70 per participant. Plus, travel and hotel costs.		Great Kids, Inc  (800) 906-5581  <a href="http://www.greatkidsinc.org">http://www.greatkidsinc.org</a>	Healthy Families-Manitowoc  Lac Courte Oreilles Tribe

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Outcome/Evaluation Training	Training on outcome measurement and use of the logic model in home visitation programs.	As part of the Early Years Home Visitation Outcomes Project of WI, training on the use of outcome measurement and the use of the logic model for evaluation will be offered. Training will focus on integrating and measuring the key outcomes identified by the Early Years Home Visitation Outcomes Project of WI for home visitation programs.	variable	Training is based on the United Way of America's Task Force on Impact findings and related training document, <u>Measuring Program Outcomes: A Practical Approach.</u>	Audrey Laszewski Project Director, The Early Years Home Visitation Outcomes Project of WI Voice fax: 920/405-6747 e-mail: <a href="mailto:outcomesproject@gmail.com">outcomesproject@gmail.com</a>	

## Curriculum for use in Home Visiting Programs

Curricula	Description (Target Population & Primary Goals)	Specific Features	Costs	Research Conducted	Contact Information & Website	Wisconsin Programs Using Curriculum
How to read your baby/Partners in Parenting Education (PIPE)	Parenting curricula designed to use with high-risk parents and their children. Curricula focuses on supporting and strengthening the emotional relationship between parents and children.	Curricula are designed to help home visitors work with parents to support the emotional development of young children and the attachment relationship. Provides useful tools and activities for home visitors to use with parents.  Also, available in Spanish	\$433 +s/h	Yes. This curriculum was used as part of the Home visitation 2000 program. Please check the website for additional research questions.	303/377-4584  <a href="http://www.howtoreadyourbaby.com">www.howtoreadyourbaby.com</a>  e-mail: <a href="mailto:info@howtoreadyourbaby.org">info@howtoreadyourbaby.org</a>	Portage County Healthy Families uses components of the PIPE curricula.
Healthy Families: San Angelo Curricula	Series of handouts to be given to parents at each home visit based on the development of their child. Handouts address range of child development-related topics. For 0-2.5 years.	Handouts are simple and easy to read. Address a good range of topics. Easy to reproduce and use.  Also available in Spanish	\$485 includes right to reproduce	Please visit following website:  <a href="http://hfsatx.com/outcomes/">http://hfsatx.com/outcomes/</a>	Healthy Families San Angelo  915/658-2771  <a href="http://home1.gte.net/hfsa/curriculum.htm">http://home1.gte.net/hfsa/curriculum.htm</a>	Many of the current FLP sites use this curriculum or have used it in the past.
Nurturing Program – “Parents and Their Infants, Toddlers and Preschoolers”	48-session curriculum for use in the home. Curriculum focuses on nurturing the parent-infant relationship.	Program helps parents learn about recognizing and understanding feelings, infant and child massage, nurturing parenting routines, positive discipline strategies, child development and related topics	Implementation manual \$30, Activities manual \$45, Parent handbook \$15.00 Nurturing Book for Babies and Children \$15.00 (each family should receive one each of the last two items)	<a href="http://nurturingparenting.com/research_validation/index.htm">http://nurturingparenting.com/research_validation/index.htm</a>	<a href="http://nurturingparenting.com">http://nurturingparenting.com</a>  Bob Schram 1-800-688-5822	Fran Kaplan-Milwaukee <a href="mailto:fran@nurturing.com">fran@nurturing.com</a>  Amy Schlieve Eau Claire <a href="mailto:schlievea@uwstout.edu">schlievea@uwstout.edu</a>  Carolyn Rilling, New Berlin <a href="mailto:rilling@mindspring.com">rilling@mindspring.com</a>

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Partners for a Healthy Baby	Curricula designed for intensive home visitation programs. Curricula include guidelines for home visitors, as well as beautiful, one page, colorful handouts for home visitors to leave with families. Curricula are available for prenatal visits, 0-6 months, 7-12 months, and 13-18 months	Curricula include manual for home visitors that covers a range of useful topics for incorporating the materials in a home visits. Would provide a good “backbone” for home visiting programs or as a supplement for other materials used by home visitors.  Handouts are available in Spanish	Each Curriculum (depending on age of child- 4 age ranges) is \$125.00 each + s/h.  Handouts are \$10 for each of the 4 age ranges.	Contact the Florida State University Center for Prevention & Early Intervention Policy	850-922-1300  Florida State University Center for Prevention and Early Intervention policy.  <a href="http://www.cpeip.fsu.edu">http://www.cpeip.fsu.edu</a>	Not known
Building Strong Families	Parenting program designed specifically for low-income, low-literacy parents of young children.	Program uses small flipcharts, videos and handouts to provide parents with information about their children’s development, behavior, activities that enhance parent-child interactions, and goal setting for the parents. Curricula are strength based.  Materials can be used in home visiting or group settings.	Relatively low-cost.	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,1607,7-124-5458_7695_8366-21794--,00.html">http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,1607,7-124-5458_7695_8366-21794--,00.html</a>	Building Strong Families  Kendra Moyses  <a href="mailto:kmoyses@msu.edu">kmoyses@msu.edu</a>  517-432-7654	Not known
Parenting Newsletters	Series of newsletters with research-based advice for parents based on the developmental ages of their children	Newsletter available on a monthly basis for the first year. Second and Third year newsletters are bi-monthly. Also available in Spanish.	Contact your local extension office for information. Cost for a set of newsletters is \$7.50 for the first year series & \$7.50 for the second /third year series. Free Download <a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/parenting/">http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/parenting/</a>	<a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/parenting/">www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/parenting/</a>	Extension Publications 877-947-7827  <a href="http://www1.uwex.edu/ces/pubs">http://www1.uwex.edu/ces/pubs</a>	Is sent to all hospital born children in WI.

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Bright Futures	Information and resources designed to help support the health education and supervision of children ages 0-21 years	Materials available include: a reference guide to the health supervision of children using the Bright Futures approach as well as specific guidelines in four areas: mental health, physical activity, oral health and nutrition. Materials for use with families are also available.	Prices for individual guidelines and other materials vary.  Starter set is \$58	Unknown. The US Department of Health and Human Services funds Bright Futures.	Bright Futures Project Georgetown University  <a href="http://www.brightfutures.org">http://www.brightfutures.org</a>  202-784-9556	
Growing Great Kids®	Curricula designed to help home visitors support and nurture the parent-infant relationship by providing parents with information to increase their knowledge of child development, and skills to strengthen their relationship with their child.	Curriculum includes focusing on parenting skills development in five key areas: Comprehensive child development activities package, Series of family enhancement modules aimed at building strong family foundations, Culturally competent and father friendly, Includes 2 year staff development program, Contextualized for developing countries	Contact Growing Great Kids to learn more about their 4.5 day training	<a href="http://www.greatkidsinc.org/ggk-research.htm">http://www.greatkidsinc.org/ggk-research.htm</a>	Great Kids, Inc San Angelo  (800) 906-5581  <a href="http://www.greatkidsinc.org/growinggreatkids.htm">http://www.greatkidsinc.org/growinggreatkids.htm</a>	Manitowoc Co Healthy Families
Seeing is Believing	Videotape based activity is used to support and enhance the parent-child relationship.	This guide teaches home visitors how to use videotaping to guide the parent to recognize the unique characteristics of the baby and enhance the parent's ability to read the baby's cues and signals and meet its needs.  Training kit includes a manual and videotape.	Online course is \$400.00  Manual Price \$45	This activity is part of a well-researched longitudinal research program. Contact for further information.	Center for Early Ed. & Dev. U of Minnesota  612-624-5780  <a href="http://education.umn.edu/ceed/coursesandtrainings/courses/sib.htm">http://education.umn.edu/ceed/coursesandtrainings/courses/sib.htm</a>	Used by Minnesota Department of Public Health  For more information on training opportunities through UW-Extension, Contact Bonnie Geyer <a href="mailto:bonnie.geyer@uwex.edu">bonnie.geyer@uwex.edu</a>

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STEEP™ program (Steps Toward Effective, Enjoyable Parenting)	The STEEP Program works with parents and their infants both individually via home visits and through parent groups. While building relationships with their babies, their facilitator and other parents, parents learn about a variety topics, including sensitive and responsive parenting, community living skills, and balancing parenting and other life demands.	Parents and their babies participate in the program for 1-2 years. Facilitators use videotaping as one of the special techniques to encourage parental sensitivity. The STEEP manual offers a firm grounding in attachment theory and its applications and clear directions about how to build relationships with hard-to-reach parents, run STEEP groups and make home visits.	\$65 for manual	Contact for information	Center for Early Ed. & Dev. U of Minnesota  612-624-5780  <a href="http://education.umn.edu/ceed/coursesandtrainings/trainings/steepsib.htm">http://education.umn.edu/ceed/coursesandtrainings/trainings/steepsib.htm</a>	Not currently

## Assessment and Evaluation Tools

Tool	Description	Specific Features	Research Citations	Contact Information & Website
HOME Inventory	A tool designed to measure the quality and quantity of stimulation and support available to a child in the home environment. The focus on the child in the environment, child as a recipient of inputs from objects, events and transactions in connection with the home surroundings.	<p>3 Administration manuals are available: Comprehensive, Standard, and Child Care HOME.</p> <p>Infant Toddler HOME (birth to 3)                      Early Childhood HOME (3-6)                      Middle Childhood HOOM (6-10)                      Early Adolescent HOME (10-14)                      Child Care HOME (Infant Toddler &amp; Early Childhood)                      Disability Adapted (Developmental Delay, Auditory Impairment, Visual Impairment, and Orthopedic Impairment) Ages Infant Toddler, Early and Middle Childhood.</p> <p>Training is not required but a thorough review of the administrative manual is necessary</p>	Valid and reliable.	Lorraine Coulson (715) 835-4393 e-mail: <a href="mailto:lrcoulson@uarl.edu">lrcoulson@uarl.edu</a>
NCAST	Child health assessment focusing on the child, parent and environment and, in particular, the parent-child interaction during feeding and teaching.	Tools that assess interactions between the parent and child during feeding and teaching tasks. Feeding scale is only applicable with children up to 12 months of age. Teaching scale is used with children up to 36 months of age. Can be used to assess the parent-child interaction, identify potential neglect and abuse cases, and children at risk for developmental delays. Guidelines are provided for use in the legal system. Training is required by a qualified instructor and participants must become certified to use the assessment tools.	Valid and reliable.	NCAST-AVENUW University of Washington Box 357920 Seattle, WA 98195-7920 206-543-8528  <a href="http://www.ncast.org">http://www.ncast.org</a>

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Tool	Description	Specific Features	Research Citations	Contact Information & Website
Denver Developmental Screening Text (Denver II)	Tool for developmental screening	Assessment administered by a trained professional or paraprofessional. A series of developmental tasks are administered and observed to determine the child's developmental level. Results can help to identify children at risk for developmental delay. Training to administer the Denver II can be accomplished via self-study using manuals and videotapes or from Mary Jo Tittl, Family Resource Center of Sheyboygan. Training in the correct administration of items is essential for accurate scoring.	Valid and Reliable.	DDM, Inc. 1-800-419-4729  <a href="http://www.denverii.com/DenverII.html">www.denverii.com/DenverII.html</a>  For training in Wisconsin, contact Mary Jo Tittl, 920-892-6706
Ages & Stages and Ages & Stages: Social Emotional	Tools for developmental screening	Parent-report or home visitor facilitated developmental screening questionnaire. Easy to use for parents and home visitors. Provides an initial level of developmental screening. First developmental screening is available at age 4 months	Valid and reliable	Brookes Publishing 1-800-638-3775 <a href="http://www.brookespublishing.com">www.brookespublishing.com</a>  Ages & Stages: \$199 + \$49.95 for optional videotape  Ages & Stages: Social Emotional: \$125 + \$49.95 for optional videotape
Infant-Toddler and Family Instrument (ITFI)	Tool to use help evaluate the strengths and vulnerabilities of children from 6 months to 3 years, and their families, and leads directly to a plan of needed action.	The ITFI Instrument and Manual provides guidelines for questioning caregivers about their child's characteristics, daily activities, health, development, and family life in understandable language that feels natural and comfortable. It includes an interview component consisting of 35 questions, a child development component in domains of gross and fine motor, social and emotional, language, and coping and self-help, and checklists to rate concerns about the family and child.	Research to establish reliability and validity has not been conducted at this time.	Book by Nancy H. Apfel and Sally Provence available from:  Brookes Publishing 1-800-638-3775 <a href="http://www.brookespublishing.com">www.brookespublishing.com</a>  Package set: manual and instrument \$50

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Family Support Scale	Questionnaire that assesses the level of social support among families with children.	The 18 items can be used for assessment and gathering of information about a broad range of social supports and is recommended for monitoring program impact on client's social support. The scale provides information about a range of social supports; however, it does not provide specific information about the characteristics of those supports.	Valid and reliable	No cost Found in: Dunst, CJ, Trivette, C.M., Deal, A.G. (1994). <i>Supporting and Strengthening Families. Volume 1: Methods, Strategies and Practices.</i> Cambridge, MA: Brookline Books.
Family Resource Scale	Is tool designed by H E Leet and C J Dunst to assess family concerns and priorities. It provides information on service areas where families believe they are lacking adequate resources.	The scale is short, 30 items, and easy to read. It is family-centered and strength-based and was developed from a social-system perspective that takes into account the relationship between individuals and their environment. The instrument has been primarily used with programs with young children. Applicability across programs and age ranges warrant further assessment.	Valid and reliable	No cost Found in: Dunst, CJ, Trivette, C.M., Deal, A.G. (1994). <i>Supporting and Strengthening Families. Volume 1: Methods, Strategies and Practices.</i> Cambridge, MA: Brookline Books.
Family Need Scale	Is a questionnaire format that assesses family needs in various areas. It provides information on service areas where the family believes they are having or are lacking adequate resources by identification ranges of needs.	Has similar assessment areas to Family Resource Scale above but asks the family to report a level of need in 41 items.	Valid and reliable	No cost Found in: Dunst, CJ, Trivette, C.M., Deal, A.G. (1994). <i>Supporting and Strengthening Families. Volume 1: Methods, Strategies and Practices.</i> Cambridge, MA: Brookline Books.

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SPHERE (Secure Public Health Electronic Records Environment)	Under development in 2005-2006 specifically for use with the WI Maternal and Child Health Block, grant program to evaluate local program capacity and outcome. Also used by public health.	SPHERE is designed to collect and store information about clients and services provided by the MCH Block Grant projects and other public health programs.	None	Susan Kratz kratzsk@dhfs.state.wi.us 920-448-5226

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MELD  (Merged with Parent As Teachers on Aug. 1, 2005)	MELD publishes materials on a range of topics relevant to home visitors. They specialize in materials for low-literacy audiences.	Wide range of publications, programs, and trainings are available from MELD. In most cases, handouts are available in both Spanish and English, and are written with a low-literacy audience in mind. Handouts and other resources are low-cost	Varies		Estella Johnson: 314-432-4330  <a href="http://www.meld.org">http://www.meld.org</a>	Manitowoc Co-Healthy Families Portage Co Healthy Families and others
Child Development Media	Videotapes and training materials	Extensive collection of videotapes and training resources on a wide range of topics. Catalog includes a detailed description of each tape.	Varies. 30-day trial available.		<a href="http://www.childdevelopmentmedia.com">www.childdevelopmentmedia.com</a>  (800)405-8942	
Questions About Kids	A series of 8 handouts that address some questions parents may be asking about child development.	Developed by staff at the Harris Center, University of Minnesota. Handouts are available in English, Spanish and Hmong. Literacy level is higher-level.	Downloadable off the web. Can be reproduced with no copyright restrictions	No. But, handouts are based on current child development research	<a href="http://education.umn.edu/CEED/publications/questionsaboutkids/default.html">http://education.umn.edu/CEED/publications/questionsaboutkids/default.html</a>	
Baby Care Workshop	Videos and DVDs for use with parents.	9 videos/DVDs on subjects related to baby care. Appropriate for all audiences. Teacher's guides and handouts also available. Videos available in Spanish.	Teachers guide & handouts are on a CD and are included with the purchase of the set of 9 titles costing \$799.00 Individual titles available only on VHS- range from \$79- \$99 VHS copyright 2003, DVD 2004		Amy Snowden Snowden Media, Inc 800-729-8323  <a href="http://www.thebabycareworkshop.com">www.thebabycareworkshop.com</a>	

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Zero To Three	Resources for use with parents and for staff training professional development	A range of videos, handouts, and other materials for use with a range of audiences.	Varies		<a href="http://www.zerotothree.org">www.zerotothree.org</a> 1-800-899-4301	
InJoy Videos & Parenting Videos, Inc.	InJoy offers high quality videos on everything from prenatal care through parenting for educators working with parents. We also offer a selection of training titles.	Videos for use with audiences age 7-adult. Topics range from prenatal care, pregnancy, labor and delivery, breastfeeding, baby care and parenting. Most titles are available in Spanish.	Cost Varies. We offer a Risk-Free 30-day preview on all titles along with a Lifetime Warranty on all purchases		<a href="http://www.injoyvideos.com">www.injoyvideos.com</a> 800/326-2082 x2	Too many WIC sites use our titles to list. InJoy is also listed as a resource for WIC programs through NAL USDA WIC Works Resource site <a href="http://www.nal.usda.gov/wicworks/">http://www.nal.usda.gov/wicworks/</a>
Learning Seed	Educational resources	Child development and parenting videos. Some videos available in Spanish.	Varies. 30-day free trial on all materials.		<a href="http://www.learningseed.com">www.learningseed.com</a> 1-800-634-4941	
Morning Glory Press	Resources for pregnant and parenting teens	Books, videos, and curricula specifically designed for teens	Varies		<a href="http://www.morningglorypress.com">www.morningglorypress.com</a>	
ETR Publishing	Health-related resources	Pamphlets, books, flip charts, curricula and videos on a wide range of health-related topics.	Varies		<a href="http://www.etr.org">http://www.etr.org</a> 1-800-321-4407	

## Additional Resources for use in Home Visiting Programs

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NoodleSoup (formerly Learning Curve)	Educational Materials and related "Fun" items	Parenting fliers, handouts, booklets, videos on maternal and child health related topics (labor and delivery, pregnancy, baby care, breastfeeding etc.). Other materials include t-shirts, stickers, notecards, handbags etc.	Varies		<a href="http://www.noodlesoup.com">www.noodlesoup.com</a>  1-800-795-9295	

## Additional Programs that Serve Young Children and Their Families

Program	Description	Specific Features	Contact for More Information
Birth to 3 Early Intervention Program	County based early intervention program in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part C. The county administrative agency is mandated to locate, identify, and evaluate infants and toddlers who may be eligible to receive early intervention services. Each infant or toddler eligible for the program receives coordinated and appropriate services in accordance with the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP).	Provides services to infants and toddlers with disabilities and developmental delays and their families	<a href="http://www.waisman.wisc.edu/birtho3/index.html">http://www.waisman.wisc.edu/birtho3/index.html</a>
School District Early Childhood Special Education	School district based special education in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B. School districts are mandated to locate, identify, and evaluate children from birth to twenty-one who may be eligible for special education and related services. Each eligible child receives appropriate services in accordance with the Individualized Education Program (IEP).	Provides special education services to children three through five years of age	Local School District
Children with Special Health Care Needs Regional Centers	Regional CSHCN Centers located in each of the five DHFS regions are funded to serve families of children with special health care needs by providing information, referral, and follow-up services; promoting a parent-to-parent support network; and, increasing the capacity of local health departments and other agencies to provide service coordination.	Provides information and support for families of children with special health care needs	1-800-642-7837
Early Head Start	Early Head Start (EHS) is a federally funded community-based program for low-income families with infants and toddlers and pregnant women.	The goal of Early Head Start is to promote healthy prenatal outcomes for pregnant women, enhance the development of very young children, and promote healthy family functioning. Early Head Start is not available in every community.	Wisconsin Head Start Association: 122 East Olin Avenue, #110 Madison, WI 53713 608/442-6879 Fax: 608/442-7672 <a href="http://www.whsaonline.org/">http://www.whsaonline.org/</a>

Even Start	Even Start is designed to promote family literacy, recognizing that parents are the children's first teachers.	Even start provides early childhood education, adult education and basic skills instruction, parenting education, and interactive literacy activities between parents and their children. The program is designed to be integrated and "family-centered". Program is not available in every community.	<a href="http://dpi.wi.gov/title1/esfl_programs.html">http://dpi.wi.gov/title1/esfl_programs.html</a>
First Step/MCH Hotline	Federal and state funds provide this information and referral service to assist Wisconsin families who have a young child with a disability or special need. Specifically supports the Birth to 3 Program and the Division of Public Health Regional Children with Special Health Care Needs Centers. Trained telephone staff offers information and a comprehensive listing of services throughout the state for women, children and families in the areas of health, nutrition, special healthcare needs, financial assistance and advocacy.	Toll-free hotline number providing information related to young children with disabilities, developmental delays, and other special health care needs	<a href="http://www.mch-hotlines.org/web/mch/home.nsf">http://www.mch-hotlines.org/web/mch/home.nsf</a>  1-800-642-7837
Head Start	Federally funded community programs with comprehensive services (education, health, nutrition, and social services, parent involvement), state supplemental funds available.	Provides services to children age 3 to 5 from low-income families.	Local Head Start Program  For Wisconsin: <a href="http://www.whsaonline.org/">http://www.whsaonline.org/</a>
Child Care Resource and Referral Centers (CCR&R)	The Centers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Provide information to consumers about quality child care</li> <li>❖ Support existing providers</li> <li>❖ Offer marketing and funding information</li> <li>❖ Refer parents to programs</li> <li>❖ Develop child care programs in areas that lack regulated programs</li> <li>❖ Work cooperatively with other early childhood and related programs</li> <li>❖ Promote the development of quality child care services</li> <li>❖ Respond to a range of parent needs</li> </ul>	Help parents find childcare.	<a href="http://www.wisconsinccrr.org/">http://www.wisconsinccrr.org/</a>  608-271-1230

## Web Sites of Interest

Organization	Website
Administration for Children & Families	<a href="http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/">http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/</a>
Birth to 3 Home Page	<a href="http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/bdds/birthto3/">http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/bdds/birthto3/</a>
Birth to 6 Events	<a href="http://www.waisman.wisc.edu/earlyint/evntindx.html">http://www.waisman.wisc.edu/earlyint/evntindx.html</a>
Bright Futures at Georgetown University	<a href="http://www.brightfutures.org">http://www.brightfutures.org</a>
Center for Evidence-Based Practice: Young Children with Challenging Behavior	<a href="http://challengingbehavior.fmhi.usf.edu">http://challengingbehavior.fmhi.usf.edu</a>
Center for Prevention and Early Intervention Policy – Florida State University	<a href="http://www.cpeip.fsu.edu">http://www.cpeip.fsu.edu</a>
Child & Family Web Guide	<a href="http://www.cfw.tufts.edu/">http://www.cfw.tufts.edu/</a>
Child Trends, Inc.	<a href="http://www.childtrends.org/">www.childtrends.org/</a>
Children Now	<a href="http://ga1.org/childrennow/home.html">http://ga1.org/childrennow/home.html</a>
Children’s Defense Fund	<a href="http://www.childrensdefense.org">www.childrensdefense.org</a>
Department of Health and Family Services: Home Page	<a href="http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us">www.dhfs.state.wi.us</a>
Department of Public Instruction (DPI) Home Page (WI)	<a href="http://www.dpi.state.wi.us">www.dpi.state.wi.us</a>
DPI Early Childhood Home Page	<a href="http://dpi.wi.gov/ec/echildhm.html">http://dpi.wi.gov/ec/echildhm.html</a>
DPI Special Education Team	<a href="http://www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/dlsea/een/index.htm">www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/dlsea/een/index.htm</a>
Family Life Education Certification through National Council on Family Relations	<a href="http://www.ncfr.org/cfle/c_certification.htm">http://www.ncfr.org/cfle/c_certification.htm</a>
Family Village	<a href="http://www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/">www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/</a>
Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Fact Sheets	<a href="http://www.uwex.edu/relationships/">http://www.uwex.edu/relationships/</a>
Healthy Homes Partnership	<a href="http://www.uwex.edu/healthyhome/book.html">http://www.uwex.edu/healthyhome/book.html</a>
Home Visit Forum-Collaborative Projects- Harvard Family Research Project	<a href="http://www.gse.harvard.edu/~hfrp/projects/home-visit/projects.html">http://www.gse.harvard.edu/~hfrp/projects/home-visit/projects.html</a>
I Am Your Child Campaign (Parents Action for Children)	<a href="http://www.iamyourchild.org/">www.iamyourchild.org/</a>
Johnson & Johnson Pediatric Institute	<a href="http://www.pediatricinstitute.com">www.pediatricinstitute.com</a>
National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)	<a href="http://www.naeyc.org/">www.naeyc.org/</a>
National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information	<a href="http://nccanch.acf.hhs.gov/">http://nccanch.acf.hhs.gov/</a>
Parents As Teachers	<a href="http://www.parentsasteachers.org">http://www.parentsasteachers.org</a>
Parents Plus of Wisconsin	<a href="http://www.parentspluswi.org">www.parentspluswi.org</a>
Perinatal Foundation	<a href="http://www.perinatalweb.org/content/view/12/94/">http://www.perinatalweb.org/content/view/12/94/</a>
Special Education in Plain Language: A User Friendly Guide	<a href="http://www.cesa7.k12.wi.us/sped/Parents/plainlanguageindex.htm">www.cesa7.k12.wi.us/sped/Parents/plainlanguageindex.htm</a>
Talaris Research Institute: Parenting Styles	<a href="http://www.talaris.org/spotlight_parenting_styles.htm">http://www.talaris.org/spotlight_parenting_styles.htm</a>
The Commonwealth Fund: Pediatric Parenting Project	<a href="http://www.cmwf.org">www.cmwf.org</a>

The National Center for Early Development and Learning	<a href="http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~ncedl">www.fpg.unc.edu/~ncedl</a>
UW Extension Parenting the Preschooler	<a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/pp/">www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/pp/</a>
UW-Extension Home Visitation Web Site	<a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/homevisit/">www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/homevisit/</a>
UW-Extension Parenting Newsletters	<a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/parenting/">www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/parenting/</a>
UW-Extension Publications	<a href="http://cecommerce.uwex.edu/showcat.asp?id=23">http://cecommerce.uwex.edu/showcat.asp?id=23</a>
UW-Extension School Readiness	<a href="http://www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/ready/">www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/ready/</a>
Wisconsin Child Care Improvement Project	<a href="http://www.wccip.org/">http://www.wccip.org/</a>
Wisconsin Child Care Resource and Referral Network	<a href="http://www.wisconsinccrr.org/">http://www.wisconsinccrr.org/</a>
Wisconsin Children's Trust Fund	<a href="http://wctf.state.wi.us/home/">http://wctf.state.wi.us/home/</a>
Wisconsin Council on Children & Families	<a href="http://www.wccf.org/">http://www.wccf.org/</a>
Wisconsin Early Childhood Collaborating Partners Home Page	<a href="http://dpi.wi.gov/ec/eccopthm.html">http://dpi.wi.gov/ec/eccopthm.html</a>
Wisconsin Head Start Home Page	<a href="http://www.whsaonline.org/">http://www.whsaonline.org/</a>
Wisconsin Initiative for Infant Mental Health	<a href="http://www.wiimh.org/newsletter.htm">http://www.wiimh.org/newsletter.htm</a>
Women's Health Information Center	<a href="http://www.nchealthywoman.org/">http://www.nchealthywoman.org/</a>

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