



Alaska Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems

Purpose

- Developmental screening empowers parents to support their children's development.
- In Alaska, there is a gap in services in ages 3-5, and families are not getting access to resources they need.

Mission

The ECCS team coordinates resources and distributes information so that families have access to developmental screenings, and understands their value and gets connected to support and resources"

Goal

The ECCS team wants to establish universal developmental screening of the young child population in Alaska, by partnering with state Early Childhood Stakeholders to expand the ASQ hub and spoke model statewide by August 1, 2021.

State Partners

AECCC ECCS grant state advisory body (partners within – public, private and tribal health), ILP, medical practices, Help Me Grow, MIECHV, PAT, OCS, DEED, UAA LEND, State DD Agency, Center for Human Development, Brookes Publishing, and MCH Epidemiology.



The ECCS Project Aim is to improve population-level developmental health outcomes in children ages 0-3

ECCS Community Partners

Local coalitions (partners within – public, private and tribal health), ILP, WIC, Head Start, childcare, school districts, MIECHV, public nursing and outside funders.

ASQ Screening Increases

Participating communities have seen:

- Developmental screenings increase on average by 31%
- An average increase of 74% of the young child population who scored above the cutoff in 2019

ECCS Community Partner Increases

The ECCS grant work had led to a 91% increase in partners in 2019

ECCS Community Events

- Community Baby Showers
- Books, Blocks & Balls Events
- Kodiak Children's Fair
- Norton Sound KinderGym
- Strengthening Families Events