# Help Me Grow Inland Empire Early Intervention Summit

February 6, 2019



Welcome back!



# Why We're Here Today

- \* To continue learning from each other
- \* To learn from other counties
- To develop our shared vision





# Barbara Alejandre

Executive Director, Chief Intergovernmental Affairs Officer, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools



# Early intervention matters.

Catching and treating developmental delays early can have a life-changing impact for children and families.



# Why Help Me Grow?

- **Early** identification and intervention can make all the difference for K-12 success
  - Students are better prepared
  - Decreased need for special education



# Why Now?

- The time is ripe to build the Inland Empire's early intervention system:
  - Prepared to take advantage of state investment
  - Build on past community successes



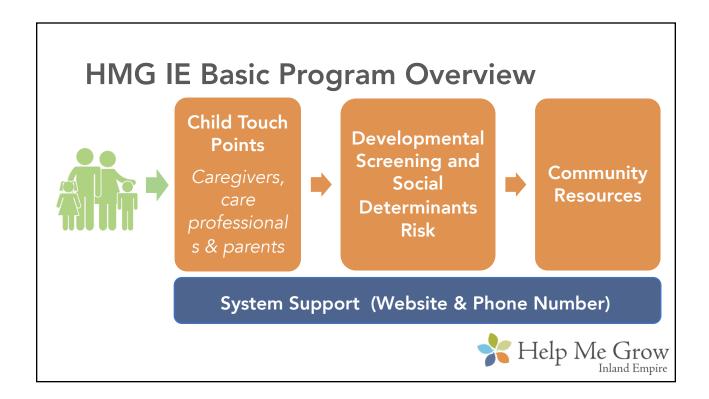


# The Help Me Grow difference

Help Me Grow unites a community around its children to ensure universal early identification.







# Today's Agenda

- \* Welcome and Opening Remarks
- Mining the California Help Me Grow Experience: CA County Representatives Panel
- 🏅 Designing Help Me Grow Inland Empire: Targeted **Discussions**
- of Help Me Grow Inland Empire
- Closing Comments and Next Steps



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Committee Cross-Sharing

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FY 2019-2020



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# Juliana Sanchez

HMG Community Liaison, First 5 Alameda County



# Planning: Alameda County

- 🎥 Became a HMG affiliate in 2011
- Planning Timeline
  - 2007: First 5 funds formal planning process for a "SART" system (SART = Screening, Assessment, Referral and Treatment)
  - 2009-2011: SART three-year pilot begins
  - 2012: Renamed SART to Help Me Grow
    - Finalized the revised scope of work, under the HMG model
    - Established the HMG Community Liaison position



# Lead Agency & Partners: Alameda County













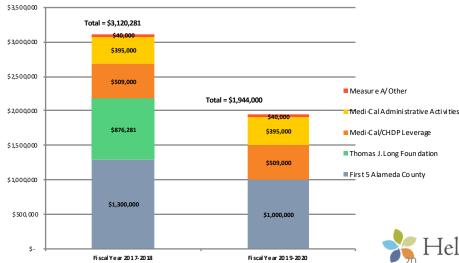




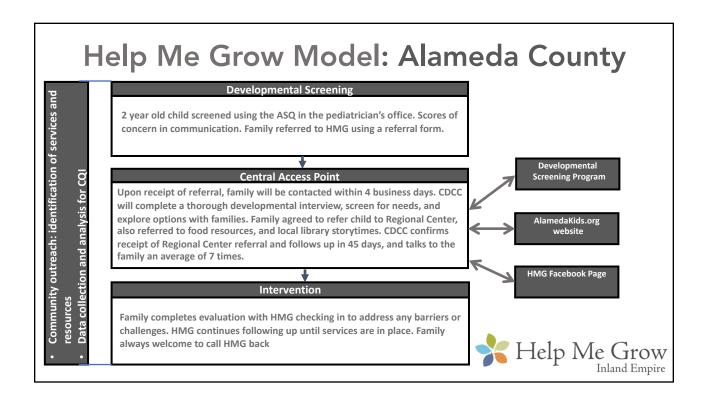












# **Bright Spots: Alameda County**

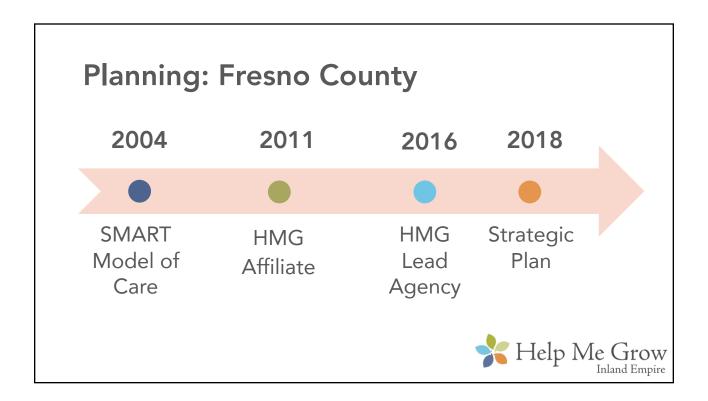
- 94% of surveyed families would recommend HMG to a family members, friend or neighbor
- 93% of families report an increase in their confidence as a parent
- \* 89% of families report being referred to or linked to services that met their needs



# Kristina Hernandez

Program Coordinator, Early Intervention Help Me Grow Office of Fresno County Superintendent of Schools

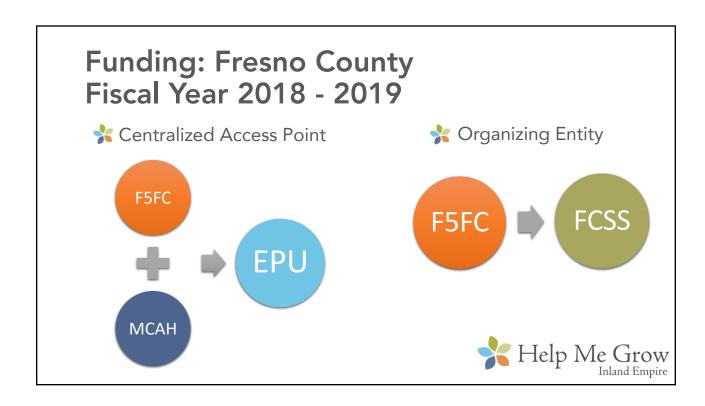




#### Partnerships: Fresno County

- \* Organizing Entity: Fresno County Superintendent of Schools
- \* Centralized Access Point: EPU Children's Center
- Leadership Team: Resource and Referral Regional Center EPU First 5 Behavioral Health Public Health Social Services
   Office of Education Head Start Early Head Start Fresno
  Unified School District Clovis Unified School District Valley
  Children's Healthcare

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# Cristina J. Peña

Senior Program Officer, Health Systems Department
First 5 LA



# **Planning: Los Angeles County**

- \* Currently: Installation Phase
- May 2016-Sept 2017: Early Planning and Design Phase
- \* Fall 2017-July 2018: Partnership with Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH) to serve as the HMG-LA Organizing Entity
- \* July 2018-Present: Installation Phase



## Partnerships: Los Angeles County

- \*Core partners: American Academy of Pediatrics—Chapter 2; L.A. Care Health Plan; LACDPH, First Connections grantees, etc.
- \* Implementing agencies: First 5 LA & LACDPH



# **Funding: Los Angeles County**

- **First 5 LA:** Funding commitment for 5 years
- \* LACDPH: In-kind personnel and leveraging California's Medicaid State Plan (Title XIX)



#### Model: Proposed HMG-LA Vision

- \* HMG-LA Recommendation Report: Promoting Young Children's Optimal Development proposed:
  - > "Centralized-Decentralized" approach for HMG-LA
  - ➤ Centralized/countywide: HMG-LA website platform, call center, messaging and educational material, etc.
  - Decentralized/regional: Service delivery, including screenings, case management, care coordination and trainings

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# **Bright Spots: Los Angeles County**

- In Progress: HMG- LA Demonstration Communities
  - Strengthen and expand referral pathways across the early identification & intervention continuum via technology, infrastructure and practice change
  - Test practices to more accurately match and link children at risk and with delays to appropriate services and supports
  - ➤ Overlap with L.A. County's 7 Regional Center catchment areas = countywide reach

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# Pradeep Gidwani, MD, **MPH**

Medical Director of HDS and First Steps American Academy of Pediatrics, California Chapter 3



# Planning: San Diego County

Our Model – Healthy Development Services – is a treatment service model that shares some of HMG's functions



Launched January 2006



18 month planning process included the following sources:

- Commission's Strategic Plans
- National studies on child and behavioral health
- Policy briefs and reports
- Local experts key informant interviews and focus groups
- Use of evidence based practices



🐈 Recommended creating a comprehensive developmental and behavioral system of care for children 0-5 to address the continuum of children's needs Help Me Grow

## Partnerships: San Diego County

- **\*** Core partners:
  - First 5 San Diego (Funder)
  - AAP-CA3 (Countywide Coordination and Support)
  - Harder & Co (Eval)
  - 4 Regional Services Lead Organizations
- \* Lead agency:
  - AAP-CA3 and 4 Regional Services Leads



# **Funding: San Diego County**

\* HDS is funded by First 5 San Diego



# Help Me Grow Model: San Diego County

- Our referral sources are pediatricians, ECE providers, community partners and parents who have received services
- Our Regional Services Lead Organizations provide screening, assessment, referrals, and treatment
- Referral sources are kept in the loop



## **Bright Spots: San Diego County**

- Our pediatricians and community partners are motivated to refer because their children and their families get the treatment services that they need
- \* Care coordination and systems coordination is critical to our success



# Thanh Do, PhD

Deputy Chief of Community Health, Wellness and Learning
FIRST 5 Santa Clara County



# Planning: Santa Clara County

2006

• FIRST 5 Santa Clara County (FIRST 5) and County Behavioral Health Services Department (BHSD) partner to provide screening, assessment and early intervention services (KidConnections Network) to children birth through age 5 and their families; executive sponsorship, common vision, braided and leveraged funding; collaborative design; geographically selected community based providers; and joint oversight and evaluation

2013

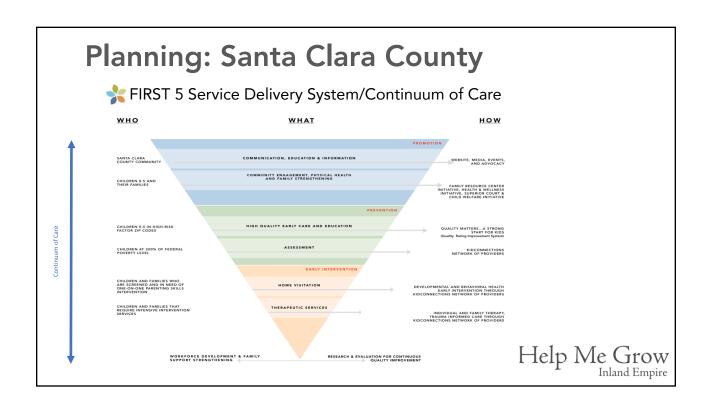
 Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors launches the Universal Developmental Screening Initiative Pilot Program, in partnership with FIRST 5 and BHSD, at four Valley Health Center clinics and four community-based pediatric health clinics.

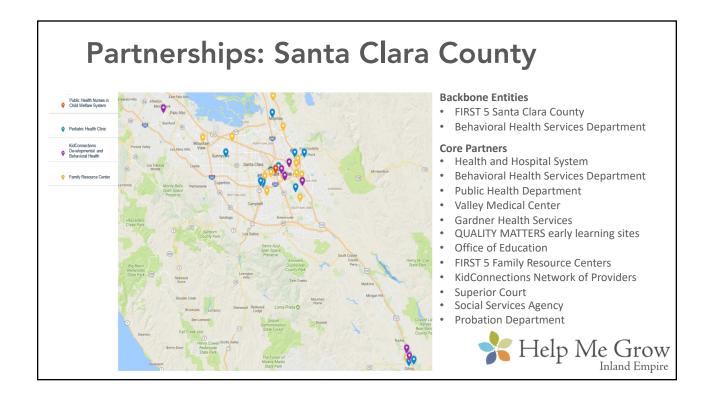
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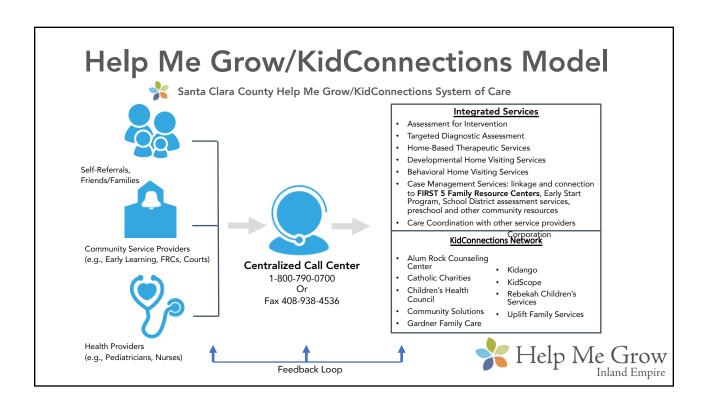
- FIRST 5 and Public Health Department launch Universal Prenatal Substance Use and Behavioral Health Screening Pilot Program, as a complement to the Universal Developmental Screening Initiative.
- FIRST 5 receives designation as a Help Me Grow California County Affiliate.

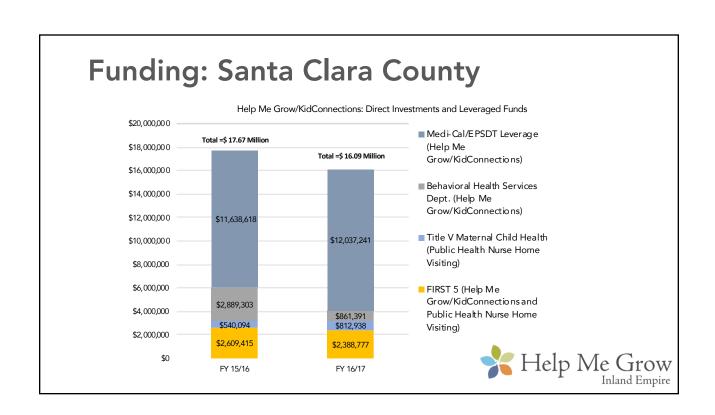
2019

Today, the linked Universal Development Screening and KidConnections initiatives are
poised to establish an integrated information, referral, and early intervention system (Help
Me Grow/KidConnections) that connects families with young children to community-based
services that support children's optimal health, development, and
school success.



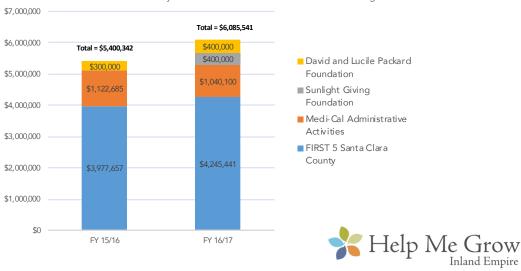






#### **Funding: Santa Clara County**





# **Bright Spots: Santa Clara County**

#### Universal Developmental Screening Initiative

- Policy:
  - 2013: Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors asked that pediatric health clinics perform routine developmental screenings with a standardized screening tool (i.e., Ages and Stages Questionnaires) for all children according to the American Academy of Pediatrics' guidelines.
- Partnerships:
  - 2013: FIRST 5, Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, Valley Health and Hospital System (Valley Medical Center, Behavioral Health Services Department, Public Health Department) and other partners launch the <u>Universal Developmental Screening Initiative</u>
  - 2015: FIRST 5 and Public Health Department launch the Universal Prenatal Substance Use and Behavioral Health Screening Pilot Program to support healthy child development during pregnancy, utilizing the evidence-based 4Ps Plus screening tool, in obstetric/gynecological clinics.
- · Sustainability/Scaling:
  - Santa Clara Valley Health and Hospital System committed to provide on-going county funding to sustain a team of 7 Licensed Vocational Nurses/Medical Assistants to serve as Developmental Screeners in all county-operated pediatric clinics.
  - With FIRST 5's investment as a match, the Public Health Nursing Home Visiting Program is able to leverage <u>Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant</u> to leverage 4 PHN positions for the 3 PHNs funded through FIRST 5 for a total of 7 PHNs to sustain Universal Prenatal Substance Use and Behavioral Health Screening with connection to early intervention services.
  - Help Me Grow/KidConnections early intervention system leverages approximately \$12 Million per year from Medi-Cal/Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit to sustain its services.
  - FIRST 5 staff and partners leverage approximately \$1 Million per year from Medi-Cal Administrative Activities to sustain FIRST 5 Family Resource Centers and other FIRST 5 services.

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Developmental Specialist, Landon Pediatric Foundation/ Help Me Grow Ventura County



# **Planning: Ventura County**

2009 2011 2012 2013

First 5 Ventura County Contract

Focus: Promote dev. medical home Developmental Screening Collaborative

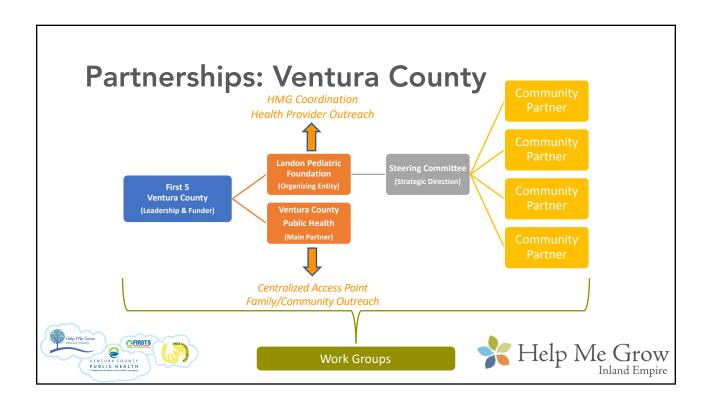
Focus: Create network screening in the of local partners other counties

**HMG CA** Learning Community

Focus: Learn from Help Me Grow **Affiliate** 

Focus: Build on existing framework & platform



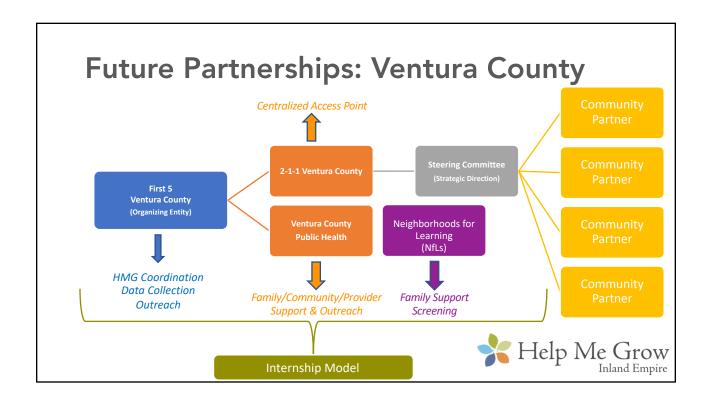


- 2-1-1 Ventura County
- Child Development Resources
   United Parents (Head Start)
- Gold Coast Health Plan (Managed Care Plan)
- First 5 Neighborhoods for Learning (NfLs)
- Medical clinics/practices
- Oxnard School District
- Rainbow Connection Family **Resource Center**
- Tri-Counties Regional Center

#### Early Start

- VC Behavioral Health
- VC Health Care Agency
- VC Office of Education **Early Childhood Programs**
- VC Public Health **Public Health Nurses** WIC
- VC SELPA

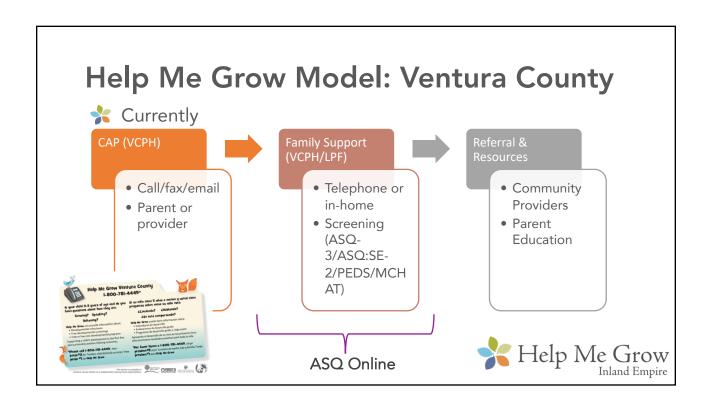




# **Funding: Ventura County**

- Funded by First 5 Ventura County
- Leveraged/matched funding through Ventura County Public Health (i.e. MCAH)
- In-kind









#### Mining the California Help Me Grow Experience Q&A

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# Targeted Discussions: Designing Help Me Grow Inland Empire

Community & Family Outreach
Child Health Provider Engagement
Referrals & Service Linkages
Financing & Partnership



# Capturing the Vision

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It's 5 years in the future.

What has made Help Me Grow Inland Empire a success?



# What comes next?



#### What's Next?

- Continued community engagement in the planning process: Next Summit is March 20!
- \* Workgroup involvement:
  - Community & Family Outreach
  - Health Provider Outreach
  - Systems & Sustainability
- \* What is your role in Help Me Grow Inland Empire?



