

# Maximizing Parent Involvement In Your LICC

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# Implementing a Statewide System to Serve Michigan Families

#### Statewide:

Information, Mentoring and Resources

For **ALL** Michigan Families



#### **Parent Mentors**

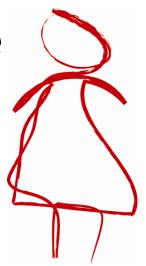
#### **A Local Connection**

- Information, support and resources
- Mentoring
- Learning Opportunities
- Supporting parent leaders and emerging parent leaders

# Maximizing Parent Involvement in Your LICC

 What parent's need to know before committing to representing a parent's perspective on an LICC

What parent representatives need to be effective members of an LICC



# You are building Future Leaders...

Do you know that?

understand the reason for being selected and the perspective they represent

#### **Activity:**

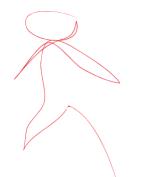
Individually read through this document and answer the questions

**Guidelines for Exploring**Interagency Opportunities

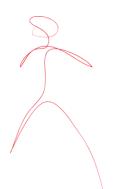
have sufficient information up front to make an informed decision about participation

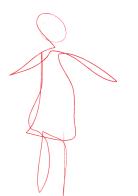
# Joining Your Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC)







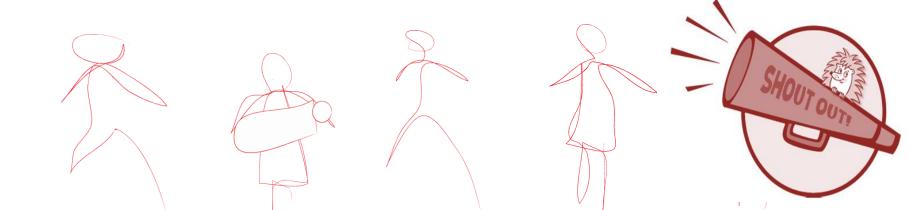




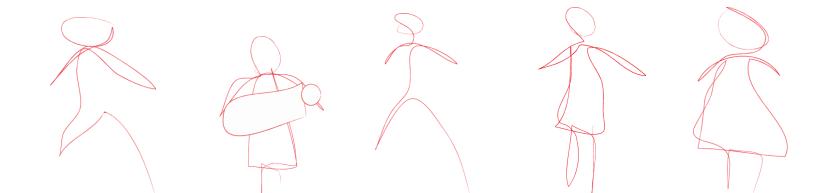


# Remember You are building Potential Leaders...

be informed about how the Early On system operates as a whole, including information on funding and legal requirements

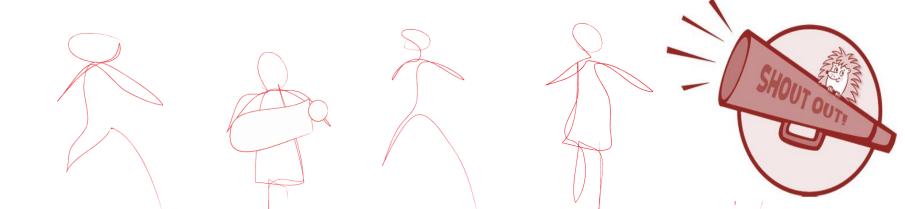


learn what it means to be responsible members of the LICC.



# Remember You are building Potential Leaders...

become and stay informed about important issues



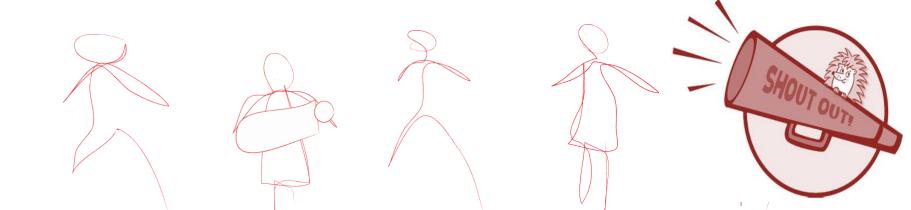
move beyond their individual, personal situation and think and act as an advocate for other children and families in their community... Going from "I" to "We"

From Experience to Influence: The Power of a Parent's Story

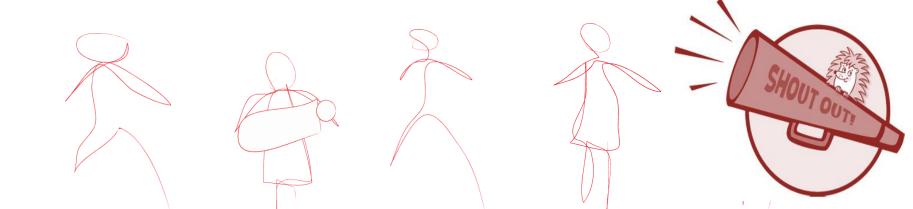
#### **LICC Parent Handbook**

- Michigan Alliance for Families Parent Mentor
- The Arc Michigan Leaders in Policy Advocacy
- Partners in Leadership in State Government –
   Parents Partnering for Change

be valued members of the committee



develop an understanding of the importance of respecting differing opinions and perspective when working on a committee

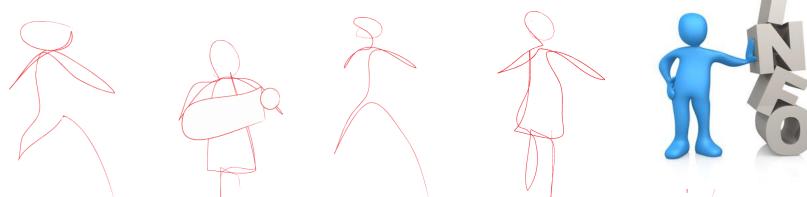


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### Resources

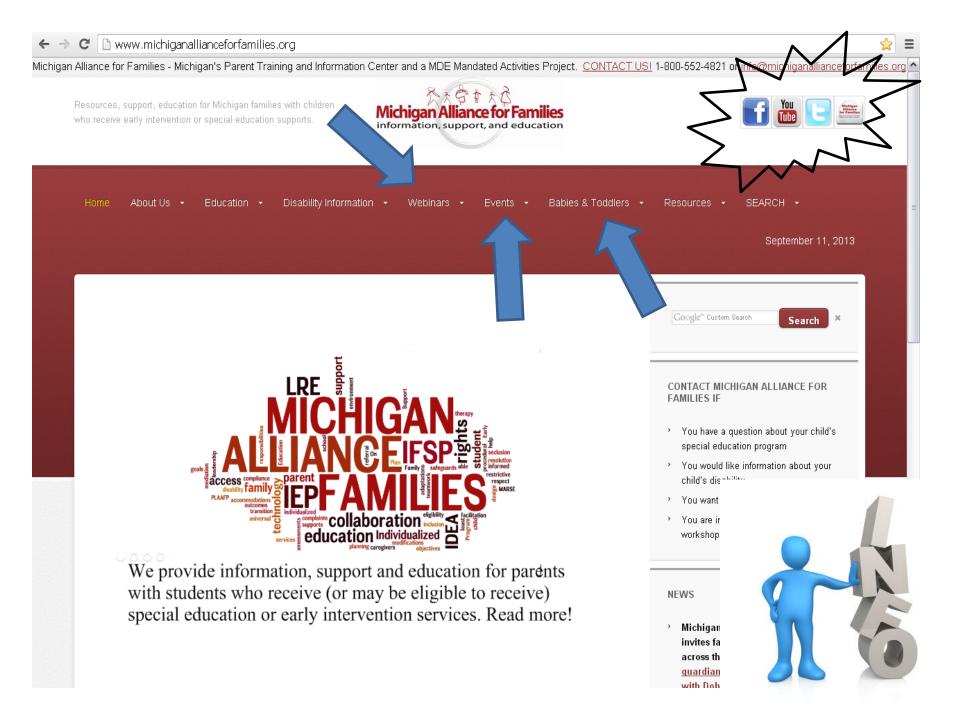
 National PTA -<u>http://www.pta.org/programs/contentertert.cfm?ItemNumber=3126</u>

 Epstein Model – School, Family and Community Partnership: Your Handbook for Action



# Resources

- Michigan Special Education Mediation Program: <a href="http://msemp.cenmi.org/">http://msemp.cenmi.org/</a>
  - Videos and workshops
- Early On Training and Technical Assistance:
  - http://www.eotta.ccresa.org/
    - on-line and face-to-face learning opportunities





#### Concerned About Your Infant or Toddler?



Baby Steps Video

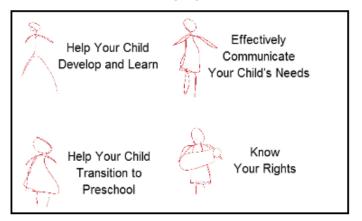
#### THIS VIDEO IS CLOSE CAPTIONED.

When parents are worried that their child may have a developmental concern they could talk to their child's doctor as well as contact the early intervention agency.

The good news is that the earlier parents and providers recognize children who are delayed in reaching a milestone, the more intervention may help them to reach their full potential. All children develop at their own pace, and many reach particular milestones slightly late or early.

Each State in the U.S. has an early intervention system. In Michigan, it is Michigan Alliance for Families partners with Early On® to increase the involvement of Michigan's families in the growth and development of their infants and toddlers. We are very excited to share our new DVD: Making the Most of Early On® which you can view on the Michigan Alliance for Families YouTube Channel.

#### Early On® wants to help you



#### More topics to check out:

- Family Involvement
- Making the Most of Early On DVD
- Early Intervention Services 101
- Individualized Family Service Plan
- Effective Communication
- Developmental Milestones
- Knowing Your Rights
- Preschool
- Early Childhood Special Education











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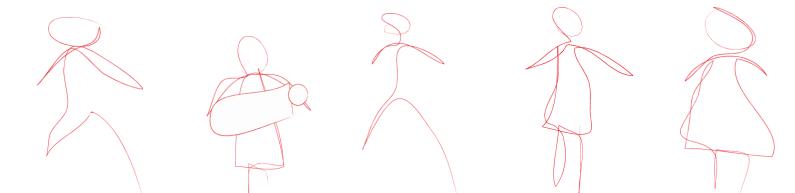


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