



NBDPN News

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Around the Network

Health Observance Resources Survey

Each year the NBDPN Education and Outreach Committee prepares a folder of resources for January, [Birth Defects Prevention Month](#). We know there are multiple opportunities throughout the year to raise awareness through participation in health observances for prevention and support. Plus, technology offers new media tools and channels of communication. NBDPN recently surveyed state contacts to learn what programs are doing to increase awareness of birth defects occurrence and prevention strategies. Results will be used to inform EO Committee work.

The EO Committee has begun its brainstorming for the 2019 January resource packet. Please contact [Mary Knapp](#) (Education and Outreach Committee Chair) to join the prevention resource development team. All are welcome!

Membership Drive

The Officers have been hard at work processing membership renewals. Keep them coming! To keep uninterrupted membership, payment must be initiated by mid September. Non-renewing members will be dropped from our member roster by September 30th. For your convenience, NBDPN offers a number of ways to pay dues.

[NBDPN Dues Payment Options](#)

More Member Reminders

Member Resources

The Network has analytical resources and tools developed and submitted by members, for members. Login to www.nbdpn.org and explore today!

Find a Member

The Network has an online member search feature for members. Log in, then click on the 'member name search' drop-down under the 'members' tab. Enter a name, part of a name, or state for the member you are seeking to contact.

2018 Network Member Survey

NBDPN wants to serve you better. Look for the membership survey coming this fall. In the meantime, send your input to nbdpn@nbdpn.org.

[Member FAQs](#)

Partners Corner

Dedicated to the Health of All Children

The **American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)** has released a [new video](#) for **primary care providers** that highlights the importance of developmental surveillance and screening. Pediatrician Dr. Shelly Flais discusses recommendations, tips, and resources available to pediatricians, clinicians, and families.

The Academy has also developed an award winning interactive tool that helps **parents** identify early signs of physical developmental delay such as rolling over, sitting without support, or walking. Via on-screen guidance parents are encouraged to start a conversation with their child's pediatrician. Learn more @ www.healthychildren.org/motordelay.

Friends of the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disability

The National Center on Birth Defects and Disabilities (NCBDDD) supports efforts and initiatives across the country to identify the causes, help children reach their full potential, and promote the health and wellbeing among those of all ages. Find resources, including newsletters and webinars [here](#).

June is National CMV Awareness Month

[Cytomegalovirus \(CMV\)](#) is a common infection and the most common viral cause of birth defects and developmental disabilities. Pregnant women who have young children or who work with young children, are at the highest risk of getting CMV. NBDPN joined the [National CMV Foundation](#), CDC and others on social media to increase awareness and decrease preventable disability.

July is National Cleft and Craniofacial Awareness and Prevention Month

[Cleft](#) and craniofacial conditions affect thousands born in the United States each year. Find awareness materials and advocacy partners [here](#).

Social Media and Feedback

Share Your Story and Give Feedback on NBDPN News

If you have any news to share, comments about the NBDPN News, or suggestions for future topic ideas, please e-mail News@nbdpn.org or nbdpn@nbdpn.org. Tell us how we're doing by taking this [brief survey](#)!

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