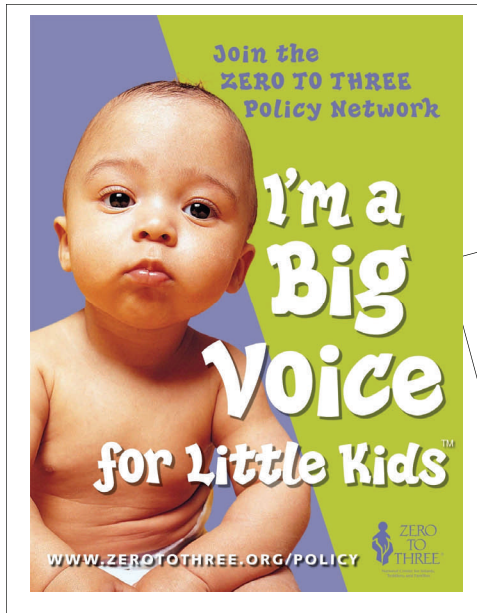


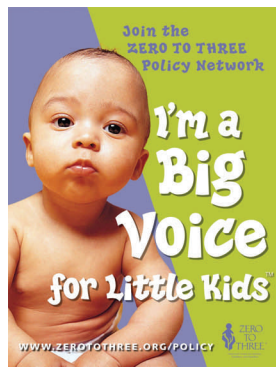
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ZERO TO THREE Policy Network Advocacy Developmental Milestone Calendar

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
It's Children's Awareness Month			1 U.S. Senate Recess	2	3	4
5	6 U.S. House of Representatives Recess	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Father's Day	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 U.S. House of Representatives Recess	28	29	30		



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Take Action Now!

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It's as Easy as 1-2-3

1. Identify the services and strategies that your organization uses to support and engage fathers in the lives of their very young children.
2. Contact other organizations or programs to find out what they are doing to support and engage fathers, and how you may be able to share your knowledge or form partnerships.
3. Contact a local reporter and pitch a story about how your community is working with fathers and their young children. For tips on how to frame your message, check out the [ZERO TO THREE Framing Series](#).

Resources

- Check out the United States' Department of Health & Human Services [Federal Resource Site on Promoting Responsible Fatherhood](#) for national statistics on fatherhood, as well as information on federal programs and agencies working to promote responsible fatherhood.
- [The National Fatherhood Initiative](#) provides resources for fathers, partner organizations, and policymakers, and their website features examples of state and community initiatives supporting fathers.
- [The National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse](#) features sections devoted to policy, research, and statistics around fatherhood issues and their broader impact on community well-being.

Tell Us About It!

We are eager to hear about your experiences advocating for babies and toddlers, so that we can continue to improve the support we give you as an advocate. After you have accomplished your advocacy action, please tell us all about it by [clicking here](#).