

Supporting Babies Through QRIS: A Self-Assessment Tool for U.S. States & Other Jurisdictions

Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at 2:00 pm Eastern (1:00 pm Central, 12:00 pm Mountain, and 11:00 am Pacific)

This webinar, hosted by the ZERO TO THREE Policy Center, will highlight a newly released document, *A Self-Assessment Tool for U.S. States & Other Jurisdictions*. This is a complementary piece in the *Supporting Babies Through QRIS* series.

As interest increases in addressing the needs of our youngest children through Quality Rating and Improvement Systems (QRIS), so has concern about supporting the systems and professional development of the diverse cadre of early care and education providers who work with these children and their families. During this webinar, the newly created QRIS self-assessment tool will be presented. Discussion will center on ways to help states and jurisdictions identify QRIS components that are already in place to support infants, toddlers, and their families, as well as prioritize key components that could be added to augment existing supports. Representatives from Utah and Miami will discuss their QRIS work and share how they have developed intentional supports for professionals working with infants, toddlers, and their families in their state/jurisdiction.

The intended audience for this webinar includes professionals involved in the development, administration, and implementation of QRIS who would like to learn more about QRIS standards and supports in other states and how they can be created or modified to purposefully support infants and toddlers.

<u>Agenda</u>

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Question and answer session