



UTAH DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH

UDOH Building Block Requests

Division of Family Health and Preparedness

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MISSION & VISION



The Utah Department of Health's mission is to protect the public's health through preventing avoidable illness, injury, disability, and premature death; assuring access to affordable, quality health care; and promoting healthy lifestyles.

Our vision is for Utah to be a place where *all* people can enjoy the best health possible, where *all* can live and thrive in healthy and safe communities.



STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



Healthiest People – The people of Utah will be among the healthiest in the country.

Optimize Medicaid – Utah Medicaid will be a respected innovator in employing health care delivery and payment reforms that improve the health of Medicaid members and keep expenditure growth at a sustainable level.

A Great Organization – The UDOH will be recognized as a leader in government and public health for its excellent performance. The organization will continue to grow its ability to attract, retain, and value the best professionals and public servants.



Building block requests:

Baby Watch Early Intervention Program
(Gray sheet EE - UDOH - 436 More Baby Watch Clients)

Healthcare Workforce Financial Assistance Program
(Gray sheet ED - UDOH - Loan Repayment Incentives for 15 Medical Providers in Underserved Areas)

Baby Watch Early Intervention



Utah's Part C Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

- Program addresses children ages 0-3 with developmental delays
- Enhances the development capacity for families to meet their 0-3 child's needs.
- Minimizes the need for future special education
- Minimizes the likelihood of institutionalization
- Maximizes the possibilities of independent living

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Baby Watch Early Intervention



What is Baby Watch?

Baby Watch is the state agency responsible for Part C early intervention (EI) services in Utah. Our statewide network of EI programs serves the families of eligible infants and toddlers with developmental delays or disabilities.



What is Early Intervention?

Early intervention (EI) is a parent coaching program that teaches families how to support their infant or toddler's development. EI services are customized for every child and family, and are provided by a team of qualified personnel that may include:

- service coordinators
- child development specialists
- speech-language pathologists
- registered nurses
- occupational therapists
- physical therapists
- dietitians
- social workers
- behavior specialists

Our Process

1

Referral

A parent/guardian or professional is concerned about an infant or toddler's development, and contacts Baby Watch or a local EI program to request a FREE evaluation.

2

Evaluation & Assessment

The local EI program conducts a comprehensive evaluation and assessment of the child's development and the family's needs and concerns.

3

Eligibility Decision

The child may be eligible for services based on medical diagnosis, test scores, or clinical opinion. Children who are not found eligible may be evaluated again in 6 months.

4

IFSP Meeting

The family of an eligible child meets with the EI team to create an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) that contains the goals for that child and family for the next year.

5

Service Visits

The EI team provides services as outlined in the IFSP, typically in the family's home or in a community setting.

6

Periodic & Annual IFSP Reviews

The team reviews the child's IFSP as needed throughout the year, at least every 6 months. The IFSP is updated each year at the annual review meeting.

7

Transition

As the child approaches their third birthday, the family and local EI program prepare for special education preschool and/or other community-based services.

Baby Watch Early Intervention



- Child count growth, additional state dollars \$1,545,200 to provide for 436 children and their families.
- Increase of 311 state-funded children
- Decrease of 125 children eligible for Medicaid (Decrease in Medicaid revenues \$711,500)



Baby Watch Early Intervention



Grantee	Average Monthly State Child Count		Total Growth
	2017	2019	
Central	37	50	13
Davis	249	304	56
DDI	546	584	38
Easterseals	113	103	-10
Jordan	562	646	85
Kids on the Move	492	605	113
Kids Who Count	144	193	49
Prime Time 4 Kids	73	83	9
San Juan	13	10	-3
USU Southeast	34	42	8
Summit	51	52	2
SUU	40	52	12
TLC/Roots 4 Kids	123	157	34
USU Up to 3	203	223	20
Weber	189	201	11

Workforce Financial Assistance



The Health Care Workforce Financial Assistance Program is vital to our recruitment process and essential in helping us recruit the quality healthcare providers we know this community deserves.

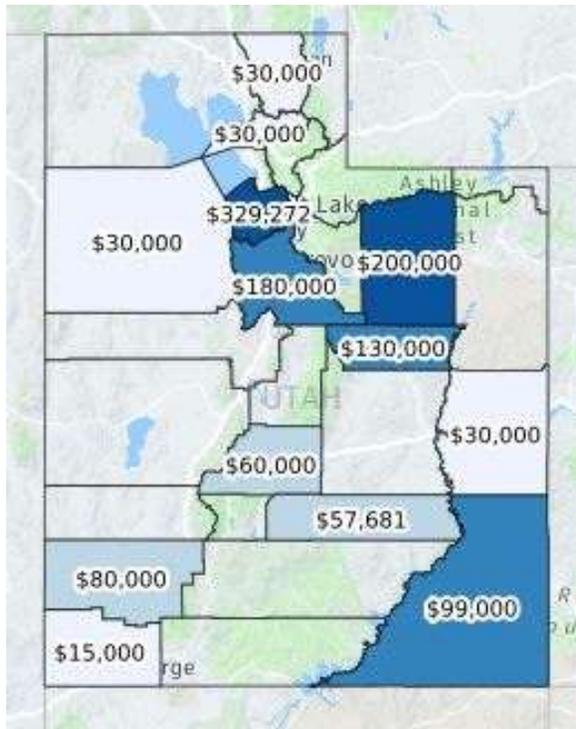
-Tamara Anderson, Community Relations Manager, Exodus Healthcare

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Workforce Financial Assistance



For those providers who received funding:



- 75% intend to remain at their practice site
- 9,690 patients served
 - 3,698 uninsured
 - 5,992 underserved

Locations of Program Awardees since FY2016

Workforce Financial Assistance



23 applications applied for \$680,000

Only \$440,000 available to award last year
with one time funding to 13 applicants

Request of \$500,000

\$202,500 federal funding 1 to 1 match (SLRP)

\$450,000 state appropriation for awards

\$50,000 state appropriation for program oversight and administration