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## New York Zero-to-Three Network

Fostering collaboration among those who work with infants, toddlers and their families

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REPORTS & MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS:

[AAP Policy Statement on Sensory Integration Therapy](#)

[Results Based Public Policy Strategies for Promoting Children's Social, Emotional and Behavioral Health](#)

[The Risk and Prevention of Maltreatment of Children with Disabilities](#)

[Maternal Resolution of Grief After Preterm Birth](#)

[Depressive Symptoms During Pregnancy: Impact on Neuroendocrine and Neonatal Outcomes](#)

### Highlighted Events

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June 18th 6-8pm:  
[Scared Sick Presentation and Book signing](#)

June 19th 6-7:30pm:  
[NYC ILC Meeting](#)

July 24th:  
[Community Baby Shower in Niagara Falls](#)

### News

#### Family Leave Insurance Campaign Launched June 12

[Time to Care NY](#) is excited to announce the launch of the Family Leave Insurance Campaign.

Family Leave is critical to maternal health, early childhood development, infant mental health, and breastfeeding promotion. To read more about the early childhood and public health benefits of family leave, please read the recent [NCCP brief](#).

To find out more about the new campaign and learn more about Family Leave Insurance, please check out the [Time to Care NY website](#) or contact: [info@timetocareny.org](mailto:info@timetocareny.org)

#### Rethinking Health Care Delivery, Longterm Wellness, and Early Social-Emotional Development

Recent presentations in Westchester County highlight early childhood origins of success in school and economic success

[Robert Anda, MD, MS](#), co-principal investigator of the [Adverse Childhood Experience \(ACE\) Study](#) spoke at the [Westchester Children's Association](#) annual Advocacy Breakfast on March 21 on *Scoring Childhood: The Hidden Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences*.

Dr. Anda described how multiple stressors in early childhood including physical and emotional abuse, neglect, witnessing domestic violence, living with substance abuser, maternal depression, and other adverse experiences leads to changes in the neurobiology of

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the young brain and impacts health, quality of life, mortality, and behavioral outcomes later in life. The more adverse childhood exposures, the greater probability of poor health, lower productivity, and social problems as adults.

The [Ace Pyramid](#) from the CDC provides a visualization of the concepts of the ACE study. The ACE study provides strong evidence to act early to prevent exposure and to promote resilience for young children who have experienced adverse childhood events. Prevention and promotion together can help to secure live long health and mental health.

[Neal Halfon, MD, MPH](#), Director of the Center for Healthier Children, Families and Communities at University of California, Los Angeles, returned to Westchester on May 3, 2012 to present his vision of the next model of health care for the United States: Investing in the Future of America: Transforming Early Childhood Systems.

Dubbed the 3.0 version, the [Life Course Health Development Model](#) uses a whole family, whole child and whole community approach and would shift health spending from the end of life to early childhood when hierarchical brain development, skills learning, and plasticity of the brain are at its highest.

Dr. Halfon linked the ability to form strong social and family relationships as babies to success in academic learning: families at all economic levels are being affected. The 1.0 version of the health care system emphasized increasing life expectancy by treating acute disease. The 2.0 version concentrated on chronic illness. The 3.0 version would concentrate on early childhood and focus on generational and life-span issues, including life capital.

Such a health system would bring physical, mental, developmental and dental services together in a coordinated strategy across sectors with common access and eligibility and emphasize quality and accountability to the community. The transformative paradigm shift needed to achieve Health Care version 3.0 will take strong leadership, common goals, shared outcomes, appropriate data collection, collaborative cross-sector initiative, and better financing.

[Project Launch](#) New York is using [EDI mapping](#) (Early Development Instrument) and working with Dr. Halfon to improve services in high-risk communities in Westchester County. For further information about Westchester County's Project Launch initiative, contact [Basia Kinglake](#), Coordinator, Westchester Department of Community Mental health.

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