

Working together to address the complexity of our systems

A Continuum of Supports for Families



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PRENATAL

Women and their families achieve healthy pregnancies, optimal birth outcomes and positive adaptation to parenting

System collaboration: ensure a variety of approaches in supports/services

POSTNATAL

To achieve optimal newborn and maternal health; to ensure the physical, emotional and social well-being of the mother and baby

Implementation of revised system standards/guidelines

18th MONTH

A comprehensive touch-point for children and families including screening for development, family functioning / stressors and appropriate referrals

Together We Can: 6 demonstration sites using Rourke Baby Record

Best Practice reviews

Community engagement and feedback

Program planning tools: logic models and evaluation frameworks

Direction #1: Support a Healthy Start for Children and Families; Enhance use of best practice and clinical practice guidelines in public health and primary care.