



Rockville, MD 20857  
Maternal and Child Health  
Bureau

November 15, 2023:

This letter is intended to support your attendance at the annual Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Annual Meeting which takes place from March 17-19, 2024 in Denver, Colorado. You can view the tentative agenda at [ehdiconference.org/Schedule.cfm](https://ehdiconference.org/Schedule.cfm). The purpose of the meeting is to enhance the implementation of comprehensive state-based EHDI programs.

As you know, budgeting for at least two individuals to attend the annual meeting is indicated within HRSA-17-059 notice of funding announcement (NOFO). As noted on page 7 of the NOFO, "Recipients will also be required to budget for one (1) or two (2) staff and one (1) family member to attend the annual EHDI conference." As your state/territory's Project Director for an MCHB grant, you and at least one other staff member are funded to attend the National EHDI Conference and the EHDI Coordinator meeting. Staff supported by your HRSA EHDI grant are also funded to attend. In addition, you should include a parent/family member as a participant.

This meeting will provide opportunities to learn about many aspects of successful statewide and jurisdiction EHDI programs, discuss project requirements, and report on the progress in developing and sustaining effective programs. The meeting will also provide an excellent opportunity for people from your state/jurisdiction to interact with people from other state/jurisdiction programs, participate in roundtables and workshops, share information, and exchange ideas. Technical assistance will be provided through workshops, presentations, and panel discussions. Please take particular note of the following activities that will be held during the meeting:

1. An informal reception for the HRSA EHDI Team, state EHDI Coordinators, and invited partners will be held on Saturday, March 16th. Additional details are forthcoming.
2. The EHDI Coordinator meeting will be held for a half day on Wednesday, March 20th.
3. The EHDI jurisdiction meeting will be held on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-3:00pm.

The meeting provides an opportunity for collaboration between EHDI grantees and key partners. We look forward to your participation in what should be another interactive, productive, and successful EHDI meeting. As you make travel plans, please follow your state and agency guidelines for travel. In addition, we recognize that some of you will need to consider personal health precautions in making plans. If you have specific questions, please do not hesitate to contact your Project Officer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Treeby Brown".

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