NHVRC MODEL PROFILES

Baby TALK

Baby TALK is a family engagement model built upon infant-mental health principles to provide a framework for intentional and individualized engagement with families. The Baby TALK mission is to positively impact child development and nurture healthy and responsive relationships during the early, critical years. Family engagement programs and professionals build strong relationships with families to come alongside them in support of healthy development, nurturing family-child relationships, and family well-being and growth.

What is the model's approach to providing home visiting services?

Visits take place at least twice per month, and families may receive weekly visits when appropriate. Baby TALK recommends that families initiate services prenatally, though they may enroll at any point before the child turns 5 years old.

Baby TALK serves all families with young children. Program funding sources may define a specific service population.

Who is implementing the model?

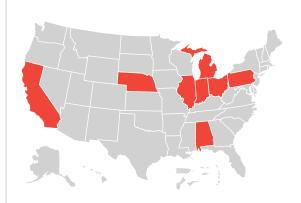
Home Visitors

Baby TALK was implemented by 266 home visitors in 2021. The model strongly recommends a bachelor's degree and requires Baby TALK certification for home visitors. Home visitors usually serve 12–24 families.

Supervisors

Baby TALK was implemented by 73 supervisors in 2021. The model requires a minimum of a bachelor's degree and 5 years of experience working with young children and families for supervisors.

Where is the model implemented?



Baby TALK operated in 82 local agencies across 8 states and the District of Columbia in 2021.

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Families Served Through Home Visiting in 2021

