

CHILDREN

INCREASING ACCESS TO PREVENTIVE SERVICES THROUGH SCREENING & REFERRAL

THE PROBLEM:

Half of Nebraska children have a medical home, and only 1 in 3 children aged 9-35 months received a parent-completed developmental screening tool in the past year.

There are disparities in access to screening by race/ethnicity and geography.

Overall, children living in rural areas are less likely to receive developmental screening and support for physical, mental, or educational needs.

THE IMPACT:

Early childhood sets the foundation for development, learning, and health. Access to age-appropriate screenings for developmental and dental services and

lead detection are critical for a healthy start. Unmet physical, developmental, and behavioral health needs of children reflect the lack of timely screening.

KEY PROPOSED STRATEGIES:

Increase Connection Points to Prevention Services

Provide Prevention Services via Health Departments

Increase Education and Awareness Campaigns

DENTAL SERVICES

LEAD DETECTION

VACCINATIONS

REFERRALS

MEDICAL HOME

