# FREE Programs and Services

for Pregnant Individuals and Families with Young Children



### We are here to help you with:

#### **Pregnancy and Parenting**

- Get information on what to expect during pregnancy and <u>baby's first year</u>
- Benefit from our <u>Healthy Babies Healthy</u>
   <u>Children</u> home-visiting program that supports healthy child development

#### **Feeding Your Baby**

- Get current <u>breastfeeding</u>\*, <u>infant feeding</u> and nutrition information and support from a Public Health Nurse, Registered Dietitian or Community Nutrition Educator
- Attend our free <u>breastfeeding clinics</u>

#### **Immunization and Vaccines**

- Get information on protecting your baby from infectious diseases
- Follow tips from the <u>Ontario Publicly Funded</u> <u>Immunization Schedule</u>
- Use a <u>free app</u> to store and manage vaccination appointments for your family

## **Depression and Anxiety Before and after Birth**

- Get information on managing feelings of sadness, worry and loneliness
- Find <u>resources</u> and support available from Public Health Nurses

#### **Growth and Development**

- Support your <u>child's development</u>
- Use our <u>BabyTalkTO</u> texting service

#### Living a Healthy Lifestyle

- Information on leading a healthy lifestyle, such as:
  - car seat safety
  - sexual health clinics
  - managing your health before and during your <u>pregnancy</u>
  - accessing low cost birth control
  - keeping your <u>child safe</u>

#### **Dental & Oral Health Services**

- Information on what to expect about <u>tooth</u> <u>development</u> and <u>how to care for your teeth</u>
- Find out if you are eligible for <u>free dental</u> <u>services</u>
- \* Breast milk/breastfeed/breastfeeding are also known as human milk/chestfeed/chestfeeding

You can do this. We are here to help.



#### Get advice about:

- breastfeeding
- nutrition
- adjusting to parenthood
- feelings of sadness and worry
- immunization
- other questions about your family's health and well being

Toronto Public Health programs and services offer support to families.

They are free, confidential and you do not need a health card (OHIP).

Language interpretation can also be provided.

#### **Specialized Services**

- The <u>Homeless At Risk Prenatal (HARP)</u> is a program for homeless, transient pregnant clients with multiple and complex health and social needs.
- The <u>Nurse Family Partnership</u> (FNP) is a program for young, under 24 years of age, pregnant under 28 weeks, first time parenting clients who are facing socioeconomic challenges.
- The <u>Healthiest Babies Possible (HBP)</u> program is a prenatal nutrition and support program available to eligible pregnant individuals, who are at nutritional risk. The program offers one-to-one nutrition counselling with a Public Health Dietitian.

"Toronto Public Health helped me go from being a parent who worried and second-guessed all of my parenting decisions, to enjoying my first moments of parenthood with confidence."

- Karen W, new mom

#### **Contact Us**

To speak to a nurse for free, confidential information and advice, or to register for our programs:

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday

- 416-338-7600 (416-392-0658 for TTY)
  - eCHAT: toronto.ca/health/eChat
    - intake@toronto.ca

For medical or 'after-hours' questions call Health 811 TTY: 1-866-797-0007 (24 hours a day all year round)

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