

Improving outcomes from preconception through early childhood

Fall 2025 Digest



UPDATES

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us during our very first **Nutrition in Pregnancy Connection** meeting on Sept. 3! If you were unable to attend, you can check out the recording to see what you missed and share with a colleague who might be interested in joining our action network.

Meeting highlights included:

- an update on federal nutrition policy changes from **Stephanie** Hodges (Nourished Principles)
- a partnership storytelling round from Anna Corona-Romera (AMCHP), Krista Lumpkins-Howard (Birthing Beautiful Communities) and Michelle Simon (Institute of Natural Medicine)
- an overview of current nutrition education for health care providers initiatives from Natalie Haynes (Vitamix Foundation) and Karen Probert (ASPHN)

Our next quarterly meeting will be Dec. 3. See information in the events section below for details.



EVENTS

Provider education work group

Thursday, October 16 noon - 1 p.m. EDT

Meeting link

This month Marie-France Hivert, M.D., from Harvard and Charlotte

Matthews from American College of Lifestyle Medicine will join us.

Quarterly Action Network Meeting

Hold your calendars for **December 3,** 3-4:30 p.m. EDT for our second Nutrition in Pregnancy Connection meeting. The focus will be on Developmental Origins of Health and Disease (DOHaD) and how this research provides a scientific basis for the importance of nutrition during pregnancy in reducing lifelong chronic disease risk.

Kent Thornburg, Ph.D., from the OHSU Moore Institute will present along with others.

REGISTER



ACTION

We'll include items here that we need action on from members.

We want to get to know you!

We can work better together when we know each other. We're always looking for opportunities to host meet-and-greets, organize a lunch during a conference several of us may be attending or just have a quick chat.

If you would like to get to know the action network better, or share information about your work, we are scheduling a series of 20-minute connections with steering committee members. Email Diane at CDC Foundation and we will connect with you.



RESOURCES

Learning library

We asked members of the action network to contribute resources that could support our work. Check out the list of resources and add your own.

Action Network foundational materials

We finalized a **vision and mission** for the action network that you can see on our very own webpage that lives under the partner section on the CDC Foundation's ImapactingHunger.org site. You can also find a 1-pager describing the work of the action network.

Hunger, Nutrition & Health Collaborative Directory

If you aren't already a member if this CDC Foundation directory, please join.

We want these digests to be useful - the goal is to share *your* information, events and resources so we can all work better together.

If you have information to include, email Rachel Ferencik at CDC Foundation or Liana Haywood at OHSU Moore Institute for Nutrition & Wellness.

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