

Birth to Five Web Link Resources

BABY.com

<http://www.baby.com/>

Johnson & Johnson has been committed to maternal and newborn care for over 100 years. They created baby.com, a web site dedicated to providing articles and information geared to every stage of a baby's development. This site offers high-quality content and practical advice from trusted sources such as obstetricians, pediatricians, developmental experts, nutritionists, and fellow parents.

Circle of Security™ Project

<http://www.circleofsecurity.org/index.html>

The Circle of Security™ (COS) Project is an innovative, first-of-its-kind evidence-based early intervention program designed to alter the developmental pathway of parents and their young children. The COS is a user-friendly, visually directed (utilizing extensive use of both graphics and video clips) approach to helping parents better understand the needs of their children. It is based extensively upon attachment theory (from the work of John Bowlby and Mary Ainsworth) and current affective neuroscience.

Georgetown University Center for Child and Human Development

<http://gucchd.georgetown.edu/index.html>

The Georgetown University Center for Child and Human Development (GUCCHD) was established over four decades ago to improve the quality of life for all children and youth especially those with, or at risk for, special needs -- and their families. Located in the nation's capital, this exceptional center both directly serves vulnerable children and their families, as well as influences local, state, national and international programs and policy.

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March of Dimes

<http://www.marchofdimes.com/home.asp>

The March of Dimes' mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth, and infant mortality. March of Dimes carries out this mission through research, community services, education and advocacy to save babies' lives. March of Dimes researchers, volunteers, educators, outreach workers and advocates work together to give all babies a fighting chance against the threats to their health: prematurity, birth defects, and low birthweight.

National Child Traumatic Stress Network

http://www.ncatsnet.org/nccts/nav.do?pid=hom_main

Established by Congress in 2000, the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) is a unique collaboration of academic and community-based service centers whose mission is to raise the standard of care and increase access to services for traumatized children and their families across the United States. Combining knowledge of child development, expertise in the full range of child traumatic experiences, and attention to cultural perspectives, the NCTSN serves as a national resource for developing and disseminating evidence-based interventions, trauma-informed services, and public and professional education.

National Scientific Council on the Developing Child

<http://www.developingchild.net/index.html>

The National Scientific Council on the Developing Child (NSCDC) is a multi-disciplinary collaboration comprised of leading scholars in neuroscience, early childhood development, pediatrics, and economics. The ultimate mission of the Council is to close the gap between what we know and what we do to promote successful learning, adaptive behavior, and sound physical and mental health for all young children. Central to this concept is the ongoing generation, analysis, and integration of knowledge and the critical task of educating policymakers, civic leaders, and the general public about the rapidly growing science of early childhood development and its underlying neurobiology.

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Talaris Research Institute

<http://www.talaris.org/index.htm>

The Mission of the Talaris Research Institute: Advancing knowledge of early learning and the importance of parenting in the first years of life. Talaris Research Institute works to improve the healthy social, emotional and cognitive development of children from the prenatal period through age five by providing parents with tools to raise their children effectively. Talaris has adopted a programmatic approach to translate scientific knowledge into tools for parents and other caregivers.

ZERO TO THREE

<http://www.zerotothree.org>

ZERO TO THREE's mission is to support the healthy development and well-being of infants, toddlers and their families. ZERO TO THREE is a 30-year-old national nonprofit multidisciplinary organization that advances its mission by informing, educating and supporting adults who influence the lives of infants and toddlers. ZERO TO THREE works to accomplish its mission through the following major areas of activity: translating research into practical information, training and inspiring professionals, influencing policies and building systems, and increasing parental and public awareness. This nationally recognized web site has quality, user-friendly information for professionals and parents/caregivers.