

**18<sup>th</sup> Annual Birth to Three Institute**  
**What Can the Program Information Report (PIR) Data Tell Us About Early Head Start (EHS)?**  
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**Session Description:**

The presentation, given by Office of Head Start staff, will use the completed 2013 EHS PIR data and information from the ECLKC to highlight key program and service elements relevant to serving infants, toddlers, and pregnant women. Data will be presented in graphical mode for review and discussion. Participants will be engaged in a large group discussion throughout the course of the session to discuss data presented and implications for service. Pending changes to the 2016 PIR will also be discussed.

**About EHS and the PIR:**

Early Head Start (EHS), launched in 1995, serves infants, toddlers, pregnant women, and their families who have incomes below the federal poverty level or meet other eligibility criteria, including homelessness and children in foster care. EHS programs offer a variety of service models, depending on the needs of the local community. Programs may be based in:

- Centers or schools where infants and toddlers receive services
- Family child care homes
- Children's own homes, where a staff person visits once a week to provide services to the child and family. Children and families who receive home-based services gather periodically with other enrolled families for a group learning experience facilitated by Head Start staff.

The Office of Head Start Program Information Report (PIR) provides comprehensive data on the services, staff, children, and families served by Head Start and Early Head Start programs nationwide. All grantees and delegates are required to submit Program Information Reports for Head Start and Early Head Start programs annually.

The PIR is an important source of descriptive and service data for the Head Start community, their partners, Congress, and for the general public. The PIR data is compiled for use at the federal, regional, state, and local levels.

**Resources:**

EHS National Resource Center: <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/ehsnrc>

PIR information: <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/pir>