



News Release

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Mother & Child Health Coalition Recognizes APRIL 2014 as NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Mother & Child Health Coalition, (MCHC) a bi-state, non-profit organization comprised of hundreds of medical, social service, and public health providers and lay people, joins with many other local organizations in recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention month.

During the whole month of April, look for the signs, “**NO ONE EVER HAS TO ABANDON A NEWBORN**” on the back ends of Kansas City ATA buses. This is the tag line of the Safe Haven for Newborns public awareness project, sponsored by MCHC. For information about Safe Haven go to www.mchc.net/safe_haven.aspx.

We would like to thank The Kansas City Star for publishing in-kind, (Saturday, March 29) a [list of events](#) during the month of April hosted by local child and family-centered organizations, that will promote the awareness and prevention of child abuse.

Mother & Child Health Coalition events during the month include:

- **Friday, April 4 7:45 am - 4 pm – [Child Safety Initiative: Building Resiliency in Children Through Injury and Violence Prevention](#).** This bi-state initiative, designed for and by child safety advocates, focuses on the latest information relating to child maltreatment and unintentional childhood injuries. This event is designed for nurses, healthcare providers, social workers, child care providers, emergency personnel and other advocates for infants and children. Registration fee: \$50. Kauffman Foundation Conference Center, 4801 Rockhill Rd., Kansas City. Contact Regina Weir, 816-283-6242 ext. 244. www.mchc.net Register [HERE](#).
- **Friday, April 25 8 – 11 am – “Champions for Change: Collective Impact Within Maternal & Child Health.”** Mother & Child Health Coalition quarterly meeting. Free. Kauffman Foundation Conference Center, 4801 Rockhill Rd., Kansas City. Contact Frieda Tresvan, 816-283-6242 ext. 251. www.mchc.net

MCHC Mission:

Every child deserves a healthy start; it is the best gift a community can give its children and itself. Mother & Child Health Coalition works together with community partners and families to promote wellness and advocate excellence in health care.

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