

Boot Camp Translation as a Tool to Create Locally Relevant, Family-Centered Messages

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The early identification of children with or at risk for developmental delay is critical to ensure that each child has a fair and just opportunity to access developmentallyappropriate services and supports early in life

Learning Objectives and Outline

- Summarize disparities in EI utilization and underlying mechanisms [The Issue]
- Consider Boot Camp Translation (BCT) as a strategy for cocreating locally-relevant and culturally-appropriate messaging [One Potential Solution]





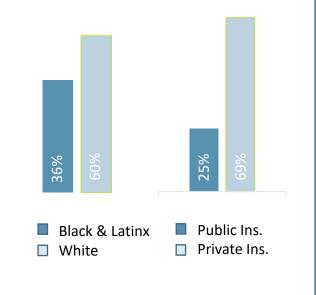


Nationally, 1 in 4 children likely eligible for Part C El use these services.

Historically marginalized children and families are most likely to fall through the cracks at each step along this pathway.



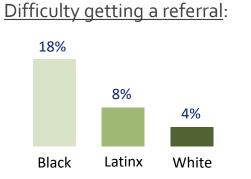
45% of caregivers recall a screener being completed in the last year:



Source: National Survey of Children's Health, CO 2018-19

Referral

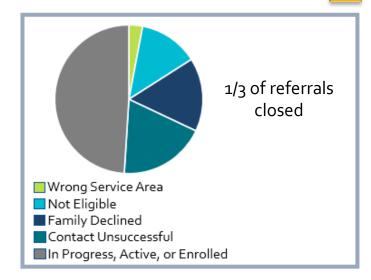
40-80% of infants and toddlers with concerning screeners referred to El.



Sources: CDPHE Health eMoms Survey

Key Findings (Colorado)

Service Use



Structu	 Historical Trauma Racism and Ethnocentrism Classism Stigma (around having a child with developmental concerns)
Social	 Access – Hours; Cultural/Linguistic System Navigation Communication and Trust
Individ	 Knowledge of Service Eligibility Criteria and Referral Processes Attitudes – Implicit Bias Beliefs regarding Service Efficacy Behaviors
Individ	 Knowledge, Attitudes, and Beliefs Values and Priorities Chronic Social, Emotional, and Financial Stress
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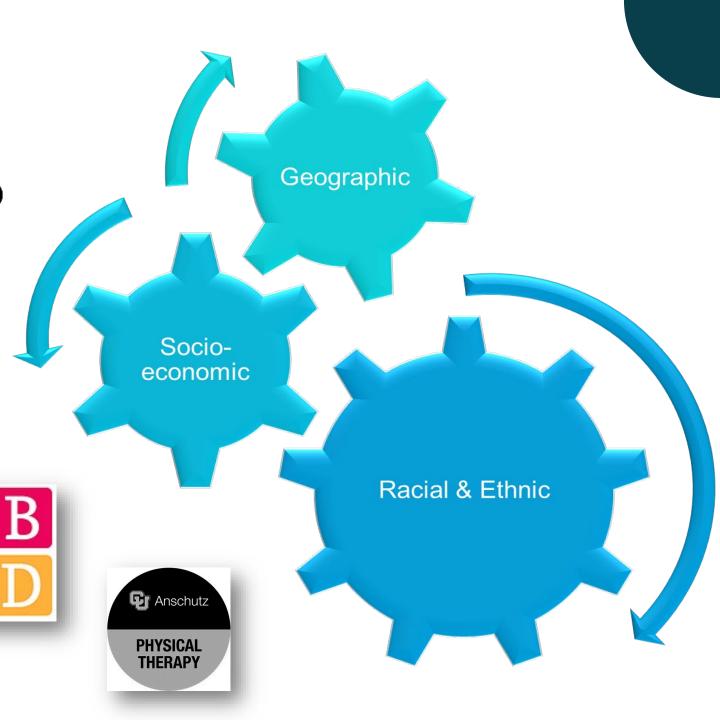




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Long-Term Outcome: Reduce disparities in developmental screening, referral, and service use.



Objective #1 (Short Term Knowledge and Awareness)

Increase caregiver/community awareness about the importance of early developmental milestones and the caregiver's critical role in developmental monitoring.

Summarize Existing Resources Enhance Cultural and Linguistic Accessibility

Launch Communication Plan

Method: Boot Camp Translation

Background: CBPR approach developed to engage community members in the translation of evidence-based medical guidelines and clinical recommendations into locally-relevant messaging

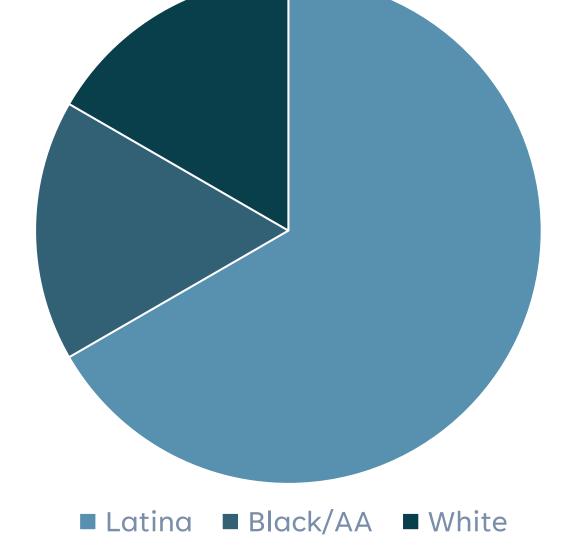
Goal: Foster better understanding of health conditions and related guidelines among community members and co-develop messages and materials that promote discussions with health professionals

Key Concepts/Questions: What do we want our message to say? Who needs to hear our message? How do we want to disseminate our message?



Participants N=12







Kickoff

"The [process] is like a chain of islands with children getting lost in between"

> "Many families are left feeling embarrassed and ashamed"

Community Agreement

- Expert Presentation. Participant engagement and learning was encouraged through:
 - Small Group Discussion
 - Problem-Based Learning
 - Teach-Back Strategies
- Initial Reactions and Brainstorming

Session

- Screening and referral processes are complex
- Caregivers are overwhelmed
- Developmental delay can be a very sensitive and stigmatizing concept for many families
- A shift from problem-oriented to strengthsbased conversations is needed

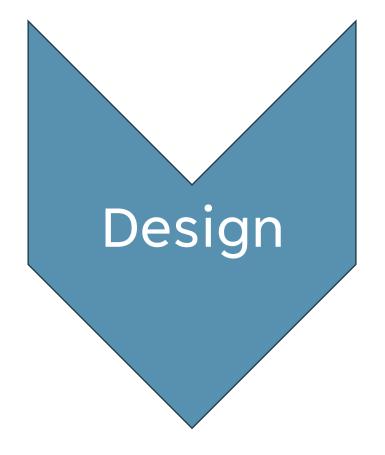


Messaging

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- Define child development, developmental delay, and early intervention
- Reduce stigma
- Take action
- > Who
 - Caregivers, Community Members, Early Childhood Providers
- > How
 - Interactive/Online Resource
 - Tracking Sheet similar to child's vaccine schedule
 - Recipes for Development
 - Text Messages



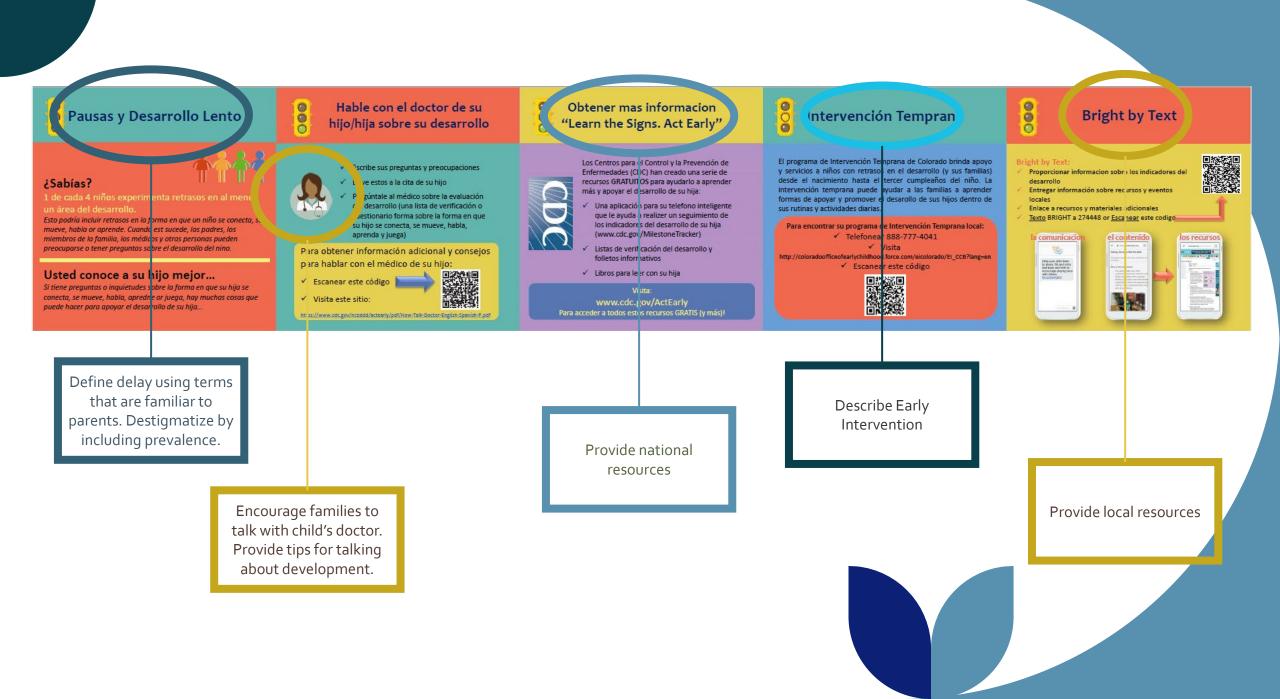


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Reflections

"I'm proud to have come so far...to produce something for our community"

"I know that I am not alone... There are many within my community who care about this issue"

- Appreciated the knowledge gained
- Reported sharing this knowledge with friends, family members, and clients
- Imagined the potential benefit of this work for children, families, and communities
- Felt a sense of accomplishment, belonging, and empowerment



Thank you!

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