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Dear Public Health Partners,

The Oregon Public Health Division is excited to share the attached new tool, *Promoting Healthy Weight and Development in Early Childhood*. The framework for this tool is the result of a state and local partnership which focuses on preventing obesity before it begins.

*Promoting Healthy Weight and Development in Early Childhood* is a resource for public health and local partners to engage in a community-wide approach that helps Oregon’s smallest citizens eat better and move easier. You can find a downloadable version of *Promoting Healthy Weight and Development in Early Childhood* along with many other tools to support your activities at [www.healthoregon.org/cha](http://www.healthoregon.org/cha).

There is a role for everyone in promoting the public health strategies that support healthy behaviors throughout the life span, and we hope that you will share this resource widely with partners in order to kick start conversations, creative thinking, and collaborative opportunities in communities across Oregon.

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Sincerely,

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