

The Michigan Home Visiting Initiative and the Early Childhood Investment Corporation in partnership with the Parent Leadership in State Government Initiative\* is pleased to offer the:



## Parents Partnering for Change Leadership Training for Parents



\*A joint initiative between the MI Departments of Community Health, Human Services, and Education.



Have you ever wanted to use your voice to make a difference? This training teaches you how to get involved in advisory boards or committees. You will learn alongside other parents in this informative and interactive training. The goal of this training is to provide you with new knowledge and skills, as well as to help inspire and motivate you to get involved!

### Who can apply for the training?

- ◆ Any parent whose child is 8 years of age or younger and has received home visiting services.

### Is there a cost for the training?

- ◆ There is no cost to parents to attend. Parents receive mileage reimbursement, a stipend (\$100 per day) for their time, and meals during the training. Hotel may be covered based on travel distance.

### How long is the training?

- ◆ The training is two days in length. The first day is held from 1pm-8pm. The second day is held from 9am-4pm. Parents must attend both days.

### When and where is it located?

- ◆ September 25-26, 2014  
Lansing, MI

### Is there childcare available?

- ◆ No, however the project provides reimbursement for childcare needed while at training (up to \$50 per day).

Deadline to register is Monday, September 15, 2014.

If you have questions please contact:

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### What is Parent Leadership Training?

The Michigan Home Visiting Initiative and Early Childhood Investment Corporation (ECIC) are partnering with the Parent Leadership in State Government (PLISG) initiative to offer the *Parents Partnering for Change* training to parents who have received home visitation services.

The training will address core skills that support parents in leadership roles and will help parents be more involved in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of home visitation programs.

#### Training topics include:

- How to tell your family story
- What it means to be a parent leader
- Improving communication skills
- How a board works
- Effective meetings and how to handle conflict

After the training, parents are encouraged to put their new skills to use. Parents receive support from a PLISG parent mentor, and can connect with new opportunities for involvement through Facebook® and a Yahoo® group.

To apply for this training please fill out the attached one page form.