



Family Health Team

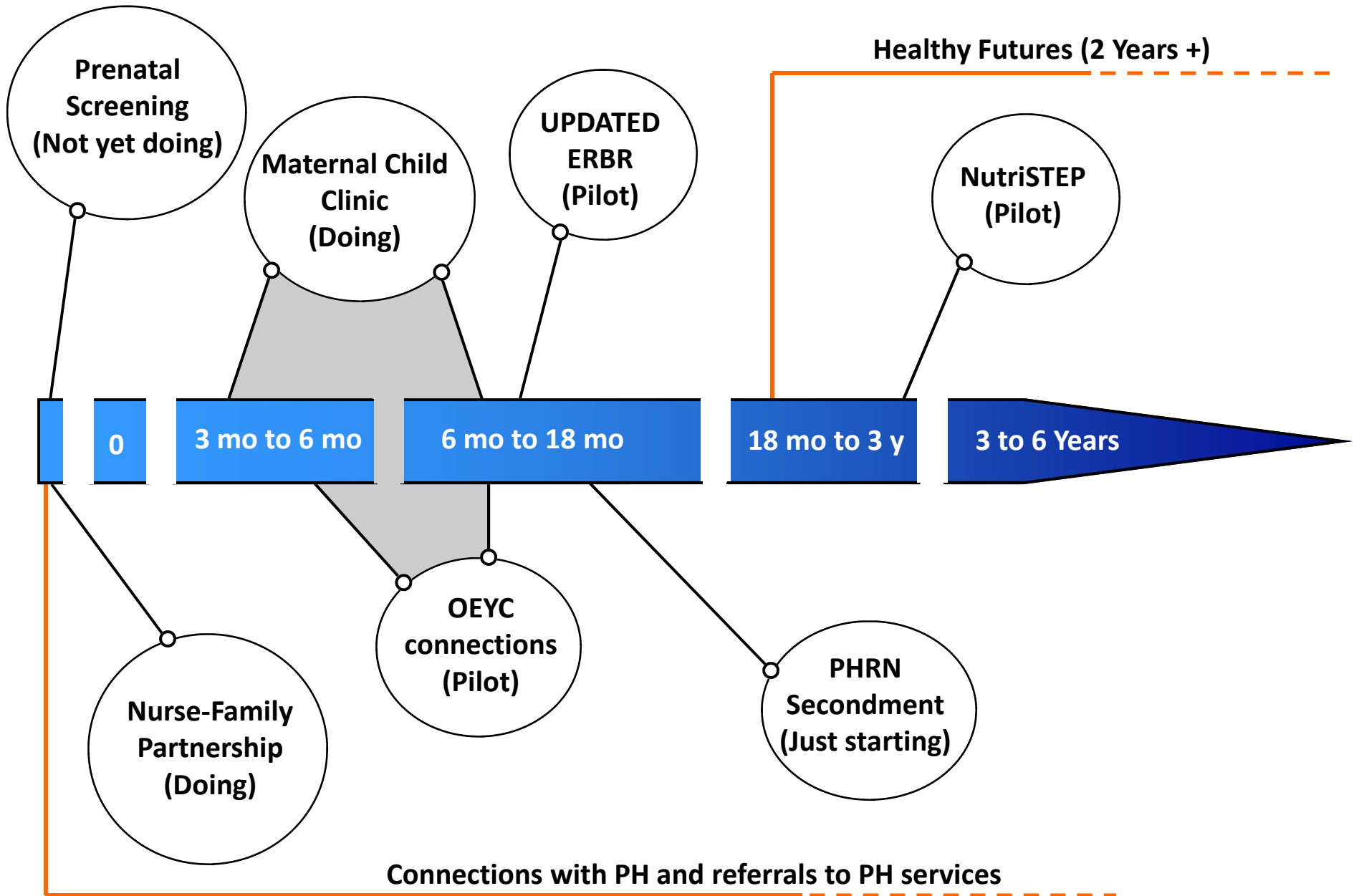
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Children's Health Initiatives

Within the Hamilton FHT



Projects Across 0-6 Years





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Projects Underway



Maternal Child Program

- Primary health care NP initiative
- 550 patients (goal 600-700 pts)
- Stakeholders: MDs, OEYC, CAS, PH, shelters, foodbanks, community support programs



Maternal Child Clinic

- Goals: to provide primary health care and to facilitate access to community services for women and children who do not have family MDs
- Focus: growth and development screening; early identification and assessment; facilitate access to services deemed necessary for the family

We can offer:



- Care during your pregnancy
- Well woman physicals, including a 6 week checkup after baby is born
- Comprehensive well baby checkups from delivery until 6 years of age
- Breast feeding advice
- Screening/counseling for mental health concerns like post partum depression
- Treatment for common illnesses
- Immunization
- Birth control
- Referrals to specialized services





OEYC Connections

- 1 day per month walk 10 family over to the OEYC and act as a physical liason to introduction (RD, MH, NP)



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Pilots Underway

NutriStep



- Partnership with U of Guelph to test feasibility
- Trying to integrate into acute care visits
- Slow uptake due to time constraints, admin details
- Extended with updated posters and consents with better literacy



Electronic RBR

- 9 EMRs in Hamilton FHT with wide range of RBRs
- Provided updated version to 20 MDs (4 EMRs)
- Documenting use and experiences with use



eRBR Next Steps



- Consistent data entry so that info can be pulled and collected from various EMRs
- Work with ON MD to develop specs for future versions of EMRs
- Ultimate goals are RBRs that are helpful to providers and clean data that can be pulled into a provincial surveillance database

Healthy Futures



- Providing tools to ensure BMI's are plotted
- Questionnaires completed in waiting room, used as discussion tool/goal setting tool for healthy behaviours





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Coming Soon...

PH RN Secondment

- 1 year secondment
- Place with small group of providers
- Train the trainer model to reach other practices



Prenatal Screening

- Screening for stress/abuse
- Nutrition Screening (no validated tool)





Relationship Building with PH

- Have HFHT staff attend group sessions
- Consider peer mentor partnerships between staff in each organization
- PHRN secondment
- Build referrals into EMRs



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Suggestions for Future Interactions

Between Health Care Sectors



- FHTs are uniquely positioned to monitor children's wellbeing over time
- FHTs not always aware of PH and community resources and initiatives and may be trying to “reinvent the wheel”
- Keeping track of PH and community resources is a challenge for primary care
- Personal relationships make a huge difference