

**Small Population County Funding Augmentation (SPCFA)  
Framework Implementation Plan Focused Investment Area C: Promoting Early Learning and  
Healthy Development Outcomes for Children  
High-quality Plan Template (Revised May 2015)**

<b>First 5 County Name</b>	First 5 County	<b>Projected Program Funding [1]</b>	
<b>SPCFA-funded Program or Strategy</b>	Help Me Grow (HMG)	<b>FY 2015-16</b>	<b>FY 2016-17</b>
<b>Target Population</b>	High-risk children 0 to 5	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 130,000.00
<b>Focused Investment Area [2]</b>	Developmental and Health Needs	<b>Wholly Funded:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Partially Funded:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Program Standard [3]</b>	Promising Practice Model/Framework		
<b>Goal</b>	Promote screening for health, behavioral, and developmental needs in early childhood settings		
<b>Training &amp; Technical Assistance Needed to Support High-quality Implementation and Continuous Quality Improvement</b>	Assistance needed with contact information for HMG National Offices and California Project LAUNCH Offices		

<b>Activities to Implement the SPCFA-funded Program or Strategy</b>	<b>Expected Output or Outcome of Activity [4]</b>	<b>Responsible Parties [5]</b>	<b>Timeline [6]</b>
Hire an HMG Coordinator	Experienced coordinator acts as lead in implementing HMG	First 5 County Executive Director (ED)	9/1/2015
Train all First 5 county staff on HMG program and set program goals for implementation with staff	Staff understands HMG program and implementation goals	HMG Coordinator and First 5 County	11/1/2015 - 3/1/16
Implement HMG model	# of children receiving screenings and referrals; # of providers conducting screenings; increased number of children over time period	HMG Coordinator and First 5 County	4/1/16 ongoing through 6/30/17
<b>Local Systems Integration [7]:</b> Partner with the cross-agency collaborative, California Project LAUNCH, and HMG to develop California standards on screening, services, and supports for a comprehensive and integrated local system	Establish standards on screening, services, and supports for a comprehensive and integrated local system	First 5 County HMG Coordinator First 5 California First 5 Association California Department of Public Health California Home Visiting Program Local HMG partners	4/1/16 ongoing through 6/30/17
<b>Evaluation [8]:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop an annual evaluation for the HMG program</li> <li>• Determine outcome measures for the HMG program</li> <li>• Develop an excel spreadsheet to record data</li> <li>• Create a survey monkey to collect data</li> </ul>	An established annual evaluation plan with outcome measures and data in an Excel format	First 5 County ED HMG Coordinator First 5 Association First 5 California	4/1/16 ongoing through 6/30/17

[1] Identify projected amount of SPCFA dollars allocated to fund the program for each fiscal year specified. Indicate if the program is wholly or partially funded by SPCFA by checking the corresponding box.

[2] Choose a minimum of one Focused Investment Area from the following: Developmental and Health Needs, Engaging and Supporting Families, or High-quality Early Learning/Early Educator Support and Effectiveness.

[3] Identify and describe the Program Standard from the following: Evidence-based Model/Framework, Promising Practices Model/Framework, Promising Practices Local Model, or High-quality Local Model. Description should include program model name and local implementation strategies. For Evidence-based, include literature and/or research citation.

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[4] Expected Outputs or Outcomes are the measurable changes after a program activity is underway during the implementation period. Outcomes or outputs may include, but are not limited to: numbers, services, behavior, knowledge, skills, and status.

[5] Responsible Parties are key players in carrying out the program or activity to ensure outcomes are met. Identify them by name or role including families, evaluators, and program staff.

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[7] Local Service Systems Integration addresses work with community partners and available state and/or federal programs to integrate service systems, develop new partnerships, and other activities to build a stronger system of services and support for children prenatal through age five.

[8] Describe evaluation activities and outcome measures to determine the effect of SPCFA investment.

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<b>SPCFA-funded Program or Strategy</b>	Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS)	<b>FY 2015-16</b>	<b>FY 2016-17</b>
<b>Target Population</b>	Children 0 to 5, Teachers, Program Administrators, Parents	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
<b>Focused Investment Area [2]</b>	High-quality Early Learning/Early Education Support & Effectiveness	<b>Wholly Funded:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Partially Funded:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Program Standard [3]</b>	Promising Practice Model/Framework		
<b>Goal</b>	Develop and implement a system for rating, monitoring, and improving the quality of Early Learning and Development Programs participating in local QRIS; improve children's readiness for school and life success by improving quality of early learning		
<b>Training &amp; Technical Assistance Needed to Support High-quality Implementation and Continuous Quality Improvement</b>	Assessor reliability training and coaching training on tools and resources used in QRIS		

<b>Activities to Implement the SPCFA-funded Program or Strategy</b>	<b>Expected Output or Outcome of Activity [4]</b>	<b>Responsible Parties [5]</b>	<b>Timeline [6]</b>
Hire a QRIS Coordinator (can share with region)	Experienced coordinator acts as lead in implementing local QRIS in region	First 5 County Executive Director (ED)	9/1/2015
Develop Assessor team • Hire assessors or develop a contract	# of Assessors	First 5 County ED and QRIS Coordinator	1/1/2016
Engage sites (center and family child care) • Recruit programs • Provide orientation	# of sites participating	First 5 County ED and QRIS Coordinator	1/1/16 - ongoing
Rate sites • Assess programs • Assign ratings • Provide incentives	# of sites rated; # of sites at each level; # of sites receiving incentives; cost of ratings; # of children in high quality sites; quality improves over each year	QRIS Assessor staff	7/1/16 - ongoing
Develop site-based Quality Improvement (QI) Plans • Based on ratings, develop QI Plan • Provide T&TA and implement QI Plan with a focus on coaching	QI Plan in place; staff understand how to implement QI plan with coaches	QRIS Coordinator or Coach	7/1/16 - ongoing
<b>Local Service Systems Integration [7]:</b> • Partner with CARES Plus and AB212 to provide higher education and pro-fessional development supports and incentives. • Work with counties nearby • Pull in CSP 2 Early Learning Systems Specialist	Quality umbrella with multiple projects and investments; # of QRIS participants in CARES Plus or AB212; # of participants improving education or professional development	First 5 County ED Local Planning Council CARES Plus Administrator	7/1/15 ongoing through 6/30/17

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<b>Evaluation [8]:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participate in state evaluation of QRIS and related workgroups</li> <li>• Develop site survey</li> <li>• Develop parent/family survey</li> <li>• Hold parent focus groups</li> </ul>	Site satisfaction and information on why sites are participating or not; Information on parents understanding of quality	First 5 County ED QRIS Coordinator QRIS Evaluator	7/1/15 through 6/30/17
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