

What is 1st Five?

- 1st Five is a public-private partnership bridging primary care and public health services in
- The 1st Five model supports health providers in the earlier detection of social-emotional and developmental delays and family risk-related factors in children birth to 5 and coordinates referrals, interventions and follow-up.



Why 1st Five?

- The foundations of mental health are set in the first five years of life.
- During these years, children rapidly develop social and emotional capacities that prepare them to be selfconfident, trusting, empathetic, intellectually inquisitive, competent in using language to communicate and capable of relating well to others.
- These emotional skills form the foundation of a child's "healthy mental development" to develop the ability to regulate and express emotions, form close personal relationships with other children and adults, and explore and learn from their environment.
- This social-emotional foundation also plays a key role in determining a child's school readiness.



Pregnant? Breastfeeding? Have a child under the age of 5? You might qualify to receive WIC benefits!

To apply for WIC, call 1-800-642-6330. We offer monthly WIC clinics in Audubon, Calhoun, Carroll, Greene, Guthrie, and Sac Counties.

Benefits of WIC

- WIC provides you with Health services including nutrition education, breastfeeding promotion and support, eWIC cards to buy nutritious food, immunization screening and referrals, and health and social services referrals.
- WIC nurses and dietitians provide nutrition counseling and help you determine what foods are right for you and where you should shop.
- Food packages are available to fit the needs of all new and expectant moms who qualify.

WIC-Approved Foods

- Infants—If mom is not breastfeeding, ironfortified formula is provided for the baby. When baby is old enough, baby foods and plain cereal are available.
- Breastfeeding moms- Moms who breastfeed qualify to receive milk, cheese, yogurt, juice, cereal, eggs, peanut butter/beans, tuna/salmon, whole wheat bread, fruits and vegetables.
- Children 1-5 years old Children 1-5 are able to receive milk, cheese, yogurt, juice, cereal, eggs, peanut butter or beans, whole wheat bread, fruits and vegetables.

Opportunity to Give Back



This month consider hosting a diaper driver for your local family development center. Diapers & other baby items are essential items that can help our low-income families.