Let's Talk - Recommendations Topic- Specific Discussion Guides

How to use

The DSHS Let's Talk - *Recommendations* topic-specific discussion guide is a series of 20 individual documents that can be used as a printed guide or digitally. The topics align with the 2022 American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommendations for safe infant sleep and expand to include normal baby behavior.

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- This document is designed to **share with parents and caregivers** who may need more information on a specific recommendation.
- Visuals are included to help parents and caregivers learn.
- A list of facts support the topic and help expand the conversation to uncover barriers the person may face.
- The bottom right corner provides a reference point for other developed topic guides that relate to the topic and may be explored.

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- This document is designed for **use by community partners** who provide safe infant sleep education.
- This guide includes **family and caregiver concerns and guidance** on how to address the concern through conversation.
- It is important to actively listen to parents and caregivers when they express any worries about their ability to address safe sleep recommendations and help them to develop a plan to address their stated barriers.
- Use with the Let's Talk *Parent and Caregiver Plan* and *Community Resource* documents to help parents and caregivers develop a plan and provide referrals they may need to adopt recommendations.



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