Project HOPE works to ensure equitable access to health services and healthy development opportunities for children under five and their families, by partnering with states and local organizations on policies and programs that result in systems change.

**Project HOPE supports initiatives in four states**

In **Washington**, an integration workgroup is expanding equitable access to health, development, and social services through a centralized-access model called Help Me Grow.

In **Oklahoma**, a cross-sector stakeholder group in Oklahoma is expanding equitable access to high-quality prenatal care and resources to address infant mortality.

In **New Jersey**, stakeholder organizations are working to identify a path to more equitable access to quality health and child care services.

In **Florida**, a coalition is building on efforts to increase equitable access to developmental screenings and early intervention that promote social-emotional development.

The project’s current funding period runs from April 2018 to April 2020. Our intention is to build or scale systems that advance child well-being permanently.

**Healthy child development should be attainable for every family in the United States. However, poverty, trauma, and racism have lasting impacts on child well-being as families experience unequal access to needs and services. To make childhood health equity a reality, communities and states must transform systems to enable healthy development opportunities for all children and families.**

**To advance our goal of early childhood health equity,**

**Project HOPE consists of several partnerships.**

- The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation provided the seed funding to carry out this initiative to three organizations, known as the Project HOPE Consortium.

- The Project HOPE Consortium includes Nemours Children’s Health System, Boston Medical Center’s Vital Village Network, and the BUILD Initiative. This consortium shares and disseminates learnings, building a foundation for scalable change.

- In each state, Project HOPE engages partners, aligns with existing initiatives, and incorporates multi-sector networks and resources, in order to further move the needle on systems improvements.

- We work with national experts in the field to support our states with technical assistance and to evaluate Project HOPE.