Efficacy of Early Education & Child Care Health Consultants – Research Findings

• Reduction of hazards and risky practices – safe active play, emergency preparedness, sanitation, nutrition & food safety, SIDS (PA, NC, CA)

• Improved access to care and more complete preventive health services (PA, NC, CA)

• Reduction of infectious disease outbreaks, absence from care, acute/emergency medical care utilization, medical care costs, work time lost by parents (NC)

• Improved written health policies (PA, NC, CA)

• CT providers perceive CCHC as valuable:
  – 85% of CT directors
  – 73% CT directors prefer at least weekly visits

• NJ directors & FCCH providers rated:
  – Satisfaction with CCHC, mean score = 2.85/4
  – Changes due to CCHC, mean score = 2.33/4

References for Findings Summarized Above


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Additional References – Efficacy of Early Education & Child Care Health Consultants


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