

Cincinnati Children Thrive



Community Spotlight: April Griffin



April Griffin is a community health worker with [TriHealth Outreach Ministries](#). She is part of an inspiring team working to reduce infant mortality in the region. Thank you April for all that you do!

Network Principle

Relationships, Trust, and Working Together

A guiding principle of the Learning Network is that family, community and organizational partnerships are essential for sustainable solutions. The network is designed to inspire and continuously develop relationships across Cincinnati that work together in a system that focuses on what works for children.

Price Hill Correspondent

Peer Researcher Perspective

I want to see more than graphs and a handful of interviews. I want to see people in my community talking to people, listening to people. An organization only knows the stories of those they helped, not those who have not been helped and have not been reached. We need to reach people on their level. Whether it be education or language, we have to find ways to break down those barriers to reach everyone and move past assumptions and stereotypes. That is how, and only how, this effort will truly make an impact.



Valerie Perez is a resident of Price Hill, a Santa Maria Healthy Homes Block by Block - Block Captain, a Walking School Bus employee, and a CCTLN Peer Researcher. Over the past months, mothers from Price Hill and Avondale became peer researchers. They helped conduct interviews with community members and develop insights from the learning.

Network Streams In Action



A work group of the Community Connected Primary Care network stream met with Avondale community members last week. The group discussed opportunities for data sharing partnerships.

Thank you [ACDC](#) for hosting the meeting!

Network Synthesis Session

Trust, Empathize, Empower

Families and community organizations came together on February 29th for a dynamic event to explore the themes and insights that have emerged from the in-depth conversations with caregivers in Avondale and Price Hill. Through small group discussions and large group exercises, the collective experience of participants was used to reflect on key findings and build on these findings. *Trust, Empathize, and Empower* are guiding principles that emerged from this day. The refined insights and themes will be used to fuel new ideas and inspire action at an idea generation session later this Spring.

Next Steps

We are quickly making progress on the timeline towards the official launch of the Learning Network in June. The next step is to generate ideas inspired by families goals and aspirations.



Network Goals

- All children read by third grade.
- Eliminate infant mortality.
- Eliminate disparities across neighborhoods in the health of children.
- Ensure all five year olds have a "healthy mind and body".

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Plus/Delta

Plus/Delta is a quality improvement tool that gives a group or team the opportunity to quickly evaluate a meeting or event. It is a simple, two column diagram that can easily be drawn on flip chart paper or poster board. The Plus "+" column identifies what worked well. The Delta "Δ" column identifies opportunities for improvement. After the synthesis session a small group discussed the event using the Plus/Delta tool. The identified the following Pluses and Deltas:

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Smooth translation Hands-on materials Everyone was participating Moms shared their opinions	Give time for breaks Make sure all moms have car seats Provide agenda to attendees

Pluses should be items the team want to maintain and build on. Deltas should be action oriented, specific, and within the realm of possibility.

This newsletter will keep you up to date about actions taking place across Cincinnati by learning network members. If you have any questions or an idea for a newsletter article, please let us know by emailing: communityhealth@cchmc.org.