Shaping Home
Environments and
LifeStyle Practices to
Prevent Childhood
Obesity:

HomeStyles











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## HomeStyles: What is it?

A program that enables and motivates parents of preschoolers to shape their home environment and lifestyle behavioral practices to create and support

- + optimal child growth and health
- + promote healthy child weights







**HealthyHomeStyles.com** 

## HomeStyles: Desired "feel"

- Intervention Characteristics
  - Intensive, Multifactorial
  - Interactive/Engaging
  - Warm, Caring, Fun
  - Non-judgmental
  - Quick, Easy, Positive, Actionable messages
  - Address parent-defined quality of life issues

## Key Messages

#### **Diet**

- Eat Together as a Family Often
- Promote Positive Family Mealtimes
- Tame the Effects of TV on Diet
- Rethink Beverage Choices
- Serve Age-Appropriate Portion Sizes
- Encourage More FV Availability and Intake
- Encourage Cereal for Breakfast
- Promote Positive Parental Feeding Practices

#### **Physical Activity**

- Set Aside Time for Fun, Active Family Playtime
- Let's Play--Trading Screen-time for Active Play

#### Sleep

Promote Adequate Sleep Duration

#### **Childcare**

 Advocate for Childcare Settings that Serve Healthy Meals and Snacks, Provide Adequate Physical Activity, Limit Screentime, and Provide Adequate Naptime









## Development

### Creation of HomeStyles guided by

- Key Obesity Prevention Guidelines
- Research Evidence & Expert Advisory Panel
- CBPR Principles: Parent Participation throughout Development
- Adult Learning Theory
- Social Cognitive Theory Behavior Change Strategies
- Motivational Interviewing



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Development of the Intervention Materials for the HomeStyles Obesity Prevention Program for Parents of Preschoolers

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## HomeStyles Guides



HOMESTYLES GUIDES EXTRA BENEFITS **ABOUT US** 

MY LEVEL



### Welcome to Homestyles!

Which guide will you try next?



Click on

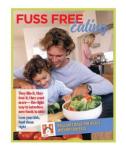


























## HomeStyles Guides



GUÍAS HOMESTYLES BENEFICIOS ADICIONALES

QUIÉNES SOMOS

## Bienvenido a Homestyles!

¿Qué guía probarás a continuación?























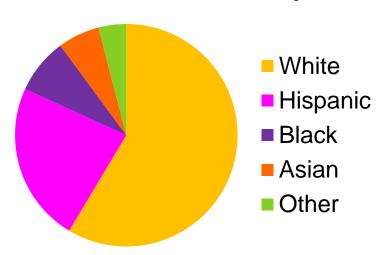






## RCT

- Action Control Group
- Sample at Follow-Up: n=140 tx; n= 142 con
  - age ~32
  - 93% female
  - 87% at least some post-secondary ed
  - 84% middle to high family affluence
  - 82% dual parent household





## RCT Key Outcomes

#### **Behaviors**

- Increased physical activity
- Decreased screentime
- Improved family mealtime behaviors

  Greater Self-efficacy in ability to perform childhood obesity protective behaviors
  - keeping children's weight healthy
  - getting kids to
    - eat breakfast
    - eat fruits/vegetables several times daily
    - drink fewer sugary drinks
    - separate TV watching and eating







"I now make sure there is room in budget for fruit and veggies. Thank you so much. It was worth the time." nt made a big difference for us. HomeStyles brought our family closer."

"Thank you so much for helping put me and my family on the track to better health!"



"The program is great for everyone!"

"I love being a HomeStyles parent!"

"I wish it were longer."

"We are going to miss you guys."

## Refine & Expand Dissemination



# HealthyHomeStyles.com



**HOMESTYLES** 

HEALTHY HOME . HEALTHY FAMILY

#### Take the Homestyles Challenge!

In 12 short weeks enjoy even happier, healthier homes and lifestyles!

HOME

**HOMESTYLES GUIDES** 

and dads just like you

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#### **HOMESTYLES**

quick tips and fun ideas make small, simple





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#### The HOMESTYLES **CHALLENGE** is



Ready to take the Homestyles Challenge?

**CLICK TO SIGN UP** 

Not sure if Homestyles is for you?

**CLICK TO LEARN MORE** 

Already a Homestyles family?

LOG IN HERE

# HomeStyles Challenge: How it Works

- 1. Parents sign-up at HealthyHomeStyles.com
- 2. Parents receive a HomeStyles Guide 1x/week and friendly nudges
- 3. Think about the changes that would help their family
- 4. Set goals and try making simple, quick, low-cost changes for a few weeks
- 5. Next Guide Sent
- 6. At end of 12 weeks, invited to the HomeStyles Survey Café

## HomeStyles Challenge

## Easy, fun—and rewarding!

- ✓ Quick Start Implementation Guide
- Short, fun online training video for teachers
- ✓ Great materials for promoting HomeStyles,
- ✓ Fun activities for family nights
- ✓ Knowledgeable, friendly HomeStyles Team







#### **HomeStyles** Challenge

**Quick Start Toolkit for Preschools** 

**HealthyHomeStyles.com** 



It's almost time to This online program is available at no charge. Parents just love it!





## HomeStyles Challenge

# There is no cost to parents or preschools!

- ✓ Encourage parents to sign up online!
- ✓ Chat with us for 15 minutes each week about how we can make the HomeStyles Challenge even better!

## Timeline for Preschools

Pick a start date!

### Choose a Champion!

4-8 Weeks Before: Plan with HomeStyles Specialist

2-4 Weeks Before: Display posters and notices

1-2 Weeks Before: Staff watch HomeStyles training video

1-2 Weeks After: Hold Family Fun Night

Each Week After: Change Posters and Reminders

Chat with HomeStyles Team





# Expand to Parents with Kids 6-11y









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