



HIPPY US APRIL



CONNECTING HEARTS, IGNITING MINDS

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THIS IS WHY WE HIPPY

My name is Reyna Contreras. I have been a home visitor for two years. Daleyza is enrolled in HIPPY Little Learners. She is a very intelligent and sociable little girl, despite having Down Syndrome. Daleyza has shown significant improvement in hand-coordination. Previously she struggled with bringing food to her mouth. Following consistent fine motor activities, she is now able to use a spoon independently.

Her mother reports high satisfaction with the HIPPY program and notes positive shifts in both behavior and social engagement.

Breck Meacham is a 3 year enrolled in our HIPPY program. Breck is not diagnosed, however his family pediatrician believes he is displaying Autistic tendencies. The parents have shown concern, but after ten weeks of HIPPY, the mother shared that she and her husband have been extremely happy with the growth that Breck has shown. She expressed they are realizing that their son can, and believes will continue to accomplish more than they thought was possible. She was a very happy mother.





Now Hiring: HIPPY US Model Fidelity Specialists

HIPPY US is looking for experienced HIPPY professionals to join our team as Model Fidelity Specialists for the 2026-2027 program year. Model Fidelity Specialists conduct two-day on-site visits to assess program quality and support sites in strengthening their implementation of the HIPPY model. This is a meaningful opportunity to contribute to the quality and success of HIPPY programs across the country.

To be considered, applicants must:

- Be a current HIPPY coordinator with at least 6 years of HIPPY experience
- Currently run an endorsed (accredited) HIPPY program
- Be available for an initial training via Zoom in September and up to five virtual meetings throughout the program year

The application deadline has been extended to, May 30, 2026.

Read the full position description for qualifications, requirements, and application instructions.

Program Year 25-26 End of Year (EOY) Survey

As we wrap up another successful school year, HIPPY US wants to hear from you! Your thoughts and opinions about the 2025-2026 program year are invaluable and will help us make improvements for the 2026-2027 program year.

Please take a few moments to complete the **2025-2026 Program Year: End of Year Survey** by **May 31, 2026**. Your feedback makes a difference!

24 - 25 Annual Report: Reach Report

Turn Your Data Into Action:
Unlock Insights to Strengthen and Advocate for Your Program!

Coordinators can use 2024 -2025 **The Reach Report** to

- Quickly track key data
- Identify trends, and
- Make informed decisions

The dashboard provides real-time, easy-to-understand insights that support program improvement and more effective planning.

HIPPY 3.0

Interested in HIPPY 3.0?

To get started, programs can **email an order form** to **Hippy@ssww.com**.

HIPPY's Professional Development

Reminder: HIPPY US is transitioning all professional development modules to a **new** Learning Management System (**LMS**) making all online modules **temporarily inaccessible**. Access to the modules is expected to resume sometime in May.

In the meantime, we are still accepting interest for all professional development registrations and encourage anyone who needs to sign up to do so. We will notify the field as soon as module access becomes available.

MOMENTS AND PEOPLE WORTH CELEBRATING

Celebrating Our HIPPY Community During National Home Visiting Week

This National Home Visiting Week, we're taking time to recognize the people who make HIPPY possible in communities across the country.

From home visitors working directly with families to the coordinators, administrators, and support staff behind the scenes, this work is deeply collaborative. Each role plays an important part in supporting parents and helping children grow, learn, and thrive.

Celebrating Coordinators

Coordinators play a vital role in supporting home visitors and strengthening HIPPY programs.

Through coaching, training, and day-to-day guidance, coordinators help ensure that home visitors feel prepared and supported in their work with families. Their leadership helps build strong teams and creates consistency across programs.

Recognizing Administrators and Support Staff

Behind every successful HIPPY program are the administrators and support staff who keep everything running.

From managing logistics to coordinating resources and supporting teams, their work helps ensure that programs operate smoothly and families receive consistent, high-quality support.

thank you

National Home Visiting Week is a reminder of the many ways people contribute to this work.

Thank you to everyone across the HIPPY network, from home visitors to coordinators, administrators, and support staff, for the role you play in supporting families and strengthening communities.

Home Visitor of the Year Nominees

We're proud to highlight members of the HIPPY network who have been nominated by their peers for Home Visitor of the Year as part of National Home Visiting Week 2026.



MEET YESENIA SANDATE MARTINEZ

2026 NATIONAL HOME VISITOR OF THE YEAR NOMINEE



Yesenia is a HIPPY home visitor at **Dallas ISD** in Dallas, TX.

Yesenia has been serving Dallas ISD families for over 13 years. As a HIPPY home instructor, she plays a key role in welcoming and supporting families and recently completed 25 hours of specialized autism training.

"From HIPPY mom to Home Visitor, this journey has been life-changing. Seeing families grow and succeed is what inspires me every day."



MEET TAYSER ISMAIL

2026 NATIONAL HOME VISITOR OF THE YEAR NOMINEE

Taysler is a HIPPY home visitor at **Spring Institute** in Denver, CO.

Taysler has been serving Spring Institute families for over 3 years. Being a HIPPY home visitor means so much to Taysler. She is proud to be able to help recent immigrants from her home country of Sudan.



"Parents are a child's first teacher and having the ability to help parents teach their children English means the world to me."

These nominees reflect the care, consistency, and commitment that home visitors bring to families every day. Their work supports parents as their child's first teacher and helps build strong foundations for early learning.



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HIPPY US JOINS PARENTS AS TEACHERS

WE'RE GOING TO PORTLAND, OREGON

OCTOBER 5-8, 2026

We're excited to share that HIPPY will be joining with Parents as Teachers (PAT) for the 2026 - 2027 Conference!



NOT ONLY WILL YOU HAVE ACCESS TO ALL SESSIONS OFFERED BY PAT, THE CONFERENCE WILL ALSO INCLUDE:

1. HIPPY-only sessions for Home Visitors & Coordinators
2. HIPPY team member(s) will be featured in a mini-plenary.
3. Award Luncheon for HIPPY Homevisitor, Coordinator and Partner of the year will occur at no cost to HIPPY attendees.



TO HELP MAINTAIN A STRONG HIPPY PRESENCE AND COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE, WE WILL:

- Gather at a HIPPY-preferred hotel: Book the Double Tree
 - Hotels options will become available upon registration
- HIPPY Huddle
 - (meet-up at the HIPPY preferred hotel to network & connect with HIPPY International, HIPPY US and all HIPPY attendees).

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO BEGIN!

WWW.PARENTSASTEACHERSCONFERENCE.ORG

To complete registration you will need to create a PAT account if you do not already have one

Review [FAQs](#) to stay in the know about HIPPY at the PAT conference

We look forward to sharing more details as planning continues and hope many of you will join us for this exciting opportunity.



Don't Forget

RESOURCES AND MORE AVAILABLE FOR YOU

- **Apply** to become a **HIPPY US Model Fidelity Specialist**
- **Complete** the 25 – 26 Program Year: **End of Year Surevey**
- Remember: **only 1 submission** per request when submitting **Request for Support**
- **Order HIPPY 3.0** and make curriculum more accessible, manageable, and family friendly.

- **Order** the **Bridge Curriculum** to help support families during curriculum age group gaps.
- **Review** the **24 – 25 Annual Reach Report** and find out how to use your data
- **Register** for the **PAT Conference**
- **Review HIPPY Conference Participant FAQs**
- **Connect** with **Suzi** for advocacy information.

Let's continue to **Connect** and **Ignite** the **Hearts** and **Minds** of the families we serve!

Paying by Check

If you would like to pay by check for **HIPPY US related products and services**, remit checks to:

HIPPY US
2727 Palisade Ave, Suite 6J
Bronx, NY 10463



CONNECT



Newsletter Request

If you or someone you know would like to be added to the list of newsletter recipients click [this](#) link to complete a request.

Library

For additional resources, visit the [HIPPY library](#). Reach out to your **State Leader** for the password

Request for Support

If you would like support, have feedback or want to ask a questions go [here](#) to connect with a HIPPY US team member today!