

# Raising Readers Update



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Please help us keep everyone in the loop. Pass this newsletter along to fellow staff or post in the break area. Thanks!

## 800-322-5455

If you know an adult who would like help with reading, give him/her this number. It's the number for the Adult Learning Opportunities Hotline.

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## Everyone Can Get in on the Act

The clinician giving the book to a child at birth or a well child visit plays a major role in Raising Readers, but there are parts for everyone. The entire staff at a birth center or medical practice can help support the importance of reading aloud in many ways.



Consider trying these. . .

- When checking out a patient, a receptionist might say to a family: "I love reading to my kids! or "That's one of my daughter's favorite books!"
- A nurse could say, "Reading is one of my favorite things to do!"
- When passing a family in the hallway, a medical assistant might say: "I see you got your Raising Readers book. I'm so glad and I know you're going to enjoy it!"

Share your enthusiasm for reading. It's contagious!

## Issue Brief Online

Each *Issues in Early Literacy Development Brief* is available on our website. Check out the latest issue.

## Timely Tip

Advice on integrating books and reading into a child's daily activities goes a long way toward helping parents who may be uncomfortable reading books.



## Friendly Reminder

Your reports of the number of books given are really important! They provide us with information about books we need to order and help us report to our funder, the Libra Foundation, how successful we all are. Use the *Book List & Log* to keep track of books given throughout the month, and then simply transfer the totals to your *Report and Order Form*. Thanks!

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