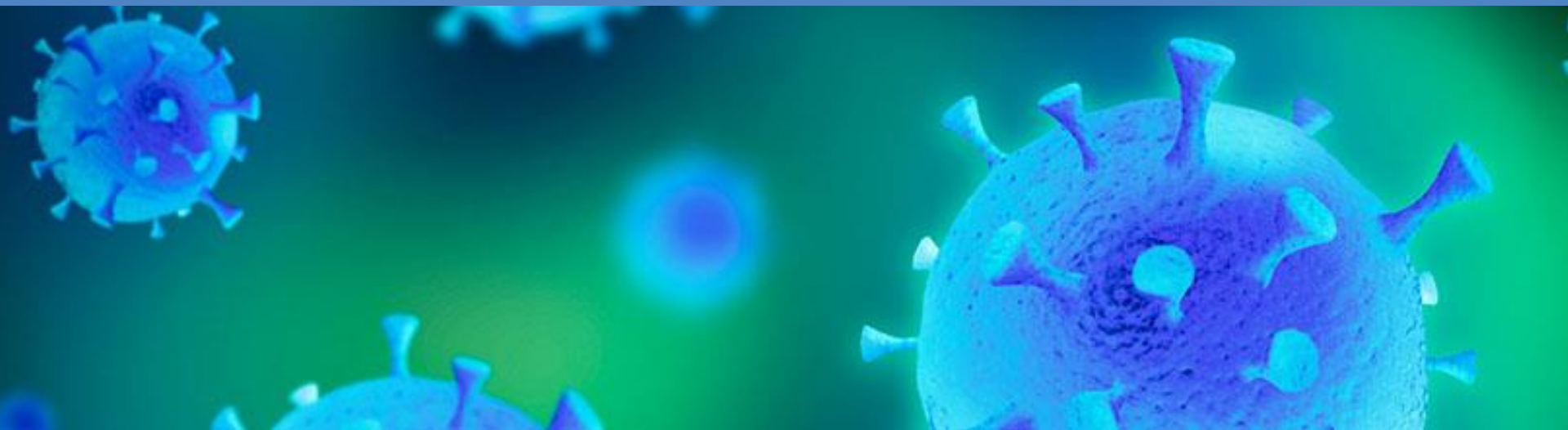


# VCHIP / CHAMP / VDH COVID-19 UPDATES



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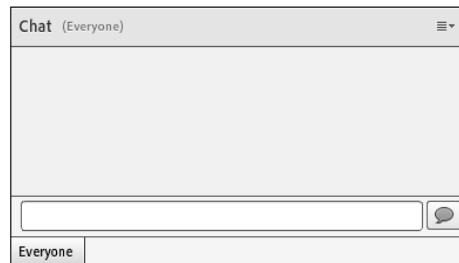
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# Overview



Earth Week 2020

- Situation update
  - ▣ Surveillance
  - ▣ Testing
- Other Updates
- Practice Issues:
  - ▣ NNEPQIN: L & D policies
  - ▣ Developmental screening
- Question and Answer



*[Please note: the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve very rapidly – so the information we're providing today may change quickly]*

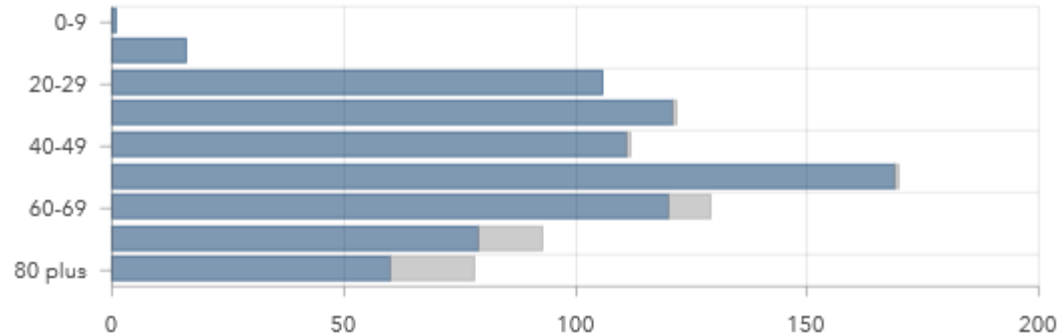
# Situation update

Total Cases
<b>827</b>
Currently Hospitalized
<b>12</b>
Hospitalized Under Investigation
<b>20</b>
Deaths
<b>44</b>
Total Tests
<b>14,310</b>
People Being Monitored
<b>19</b>
People Completed Monitoring
<b>823</b>
Last Updated (M/DD/YYYY): 4/24/2020, 09:46 EDT

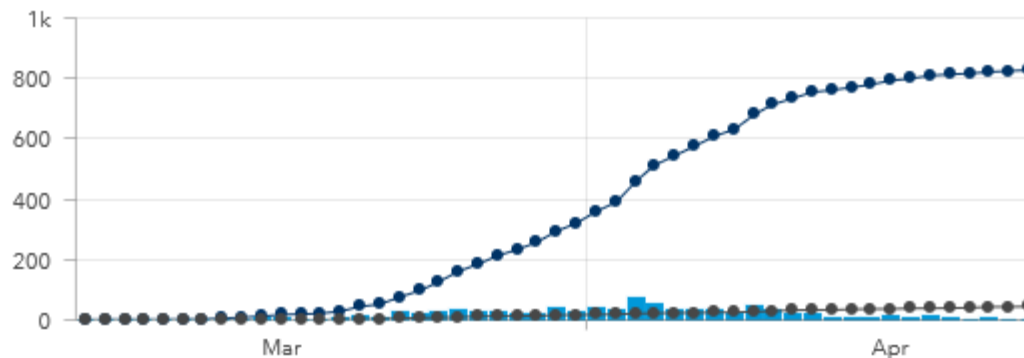
- VDH Public Health Lab: 295 tests (4/23/20)
- UVMMC (4/22/20): 44 rapid (45-minute), 56 (3-hour), 88 other in-house (not incl. home or other pvt.)
- Broad (MIT): 87 tests
- 2 patients in ICU\*
- 3 patients on ventilators\*
  - ▣ \*Note: timing issue re: ICU vented number updated daily after 11a.m. and other numbers are updated earlier.

# Situation update (cont'd.)

COVID-19 **Cases** and **Deaths** by Age Group



Vermont COVID-19 **New** and **Cumulative** Cases, **Cumulative** Deaths



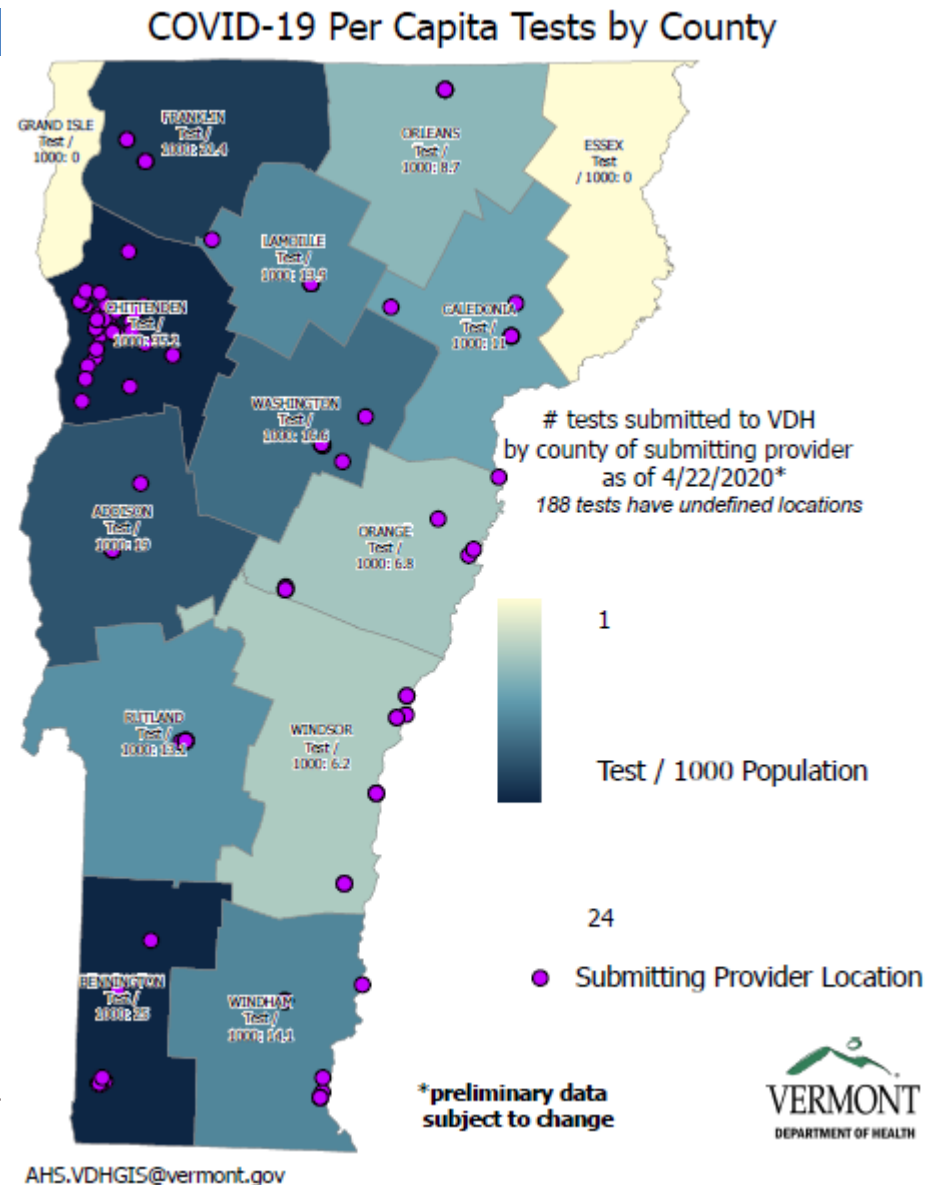
Hover over chart to see values



Cases and Deaths by Date and Age



# Testing (per capita) by County (4/22/20)



# VDH Update: Press Release (4/23/20)

## Help Slow the Spread of COVID-19 By Wearing a Cloth Face Mask

- “Make wearing cloth face coverings a habit whenever we leave home,” & be sure to wear them the right way.
- How the virus can spread: droplets produced when you breathe, speak, or clear your throat - wearing a face covering helps protect people around you from exposure.
- We all still need to stay at least 6 feet away from people, even when wearing a mask, practice good hand hygiene and follow the state’s [Stay Home, Stay Safe](#) guidance.
- Commissioner Mark Levine: “Wearing a face covering . . . may be the new normal for some time.” [Note: NOT surgical masks or N-95 respirators]
- For businesses in operation now, employees must wear non-medical cloth face coverings (bandanna, scarf, or non-medical mask, etc.) over their nose and mouth when in the presence of others, according to [new guidelines from the Agency of Commerce and Community Development](#).

## Includes detailed instructions for proper use and construction

- Some people should never wear a mask, including children under the age of 2.

# VDH Update (4/23/20)

**“I’ll protect you, you protect me.”**

- **Stay home** as much as possible, go out only for essentials.
- **Wear a face covering** when you go out around others.
- **Keep 6 feet away** from others.





# PMI – PCC Webinar (4/23/20)

- **The Business Impact of COVID-19 on Pediatric Practices**  
(6<sup>th</sup> in a series)
  - ▣ Paulie Vanchiere (PMI) & Chip Hart (PCC, Vermont)
- **A few takeaways:**
  - ▣ IZ rates were dropping among PCC practices, but “popped up” last week: MMR down 29%, Dtap down 20%; HPV down 40%.
  - ▣ Concern re: states relaxing school PE requirements: IZ, child abuse, etc.
  - ▣ Payment data: some paying more for telehealth than FTF care – ***but it's early*** in this story. Also: monitor variability across insurers for codes, etc. “Generally speaking, payment story looks relatively good.”

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  - ▣ ***IF you have any “down time now”:*** update your website, articles, AAP/Bright Futures handouts. Consider Facebook, “Google yourself,” clean up bills, clinical recall, social media/communication presence.
  - ▣ Apply for EIDL (a good deal) and PPP (19% of PCC clients had not applied)
  - ▣ Don't focus on forgiveness issue (consider cash flow management first).

# RESTART VERMONT (Gov. Phil Scott)

## Five Principles:

- ❑ Keep our Eyes on the Data
- ❑ Maintain Health Care Readiness
- ❑ Increase testing and tracking (continue to make testing more widely available)
- ❑ Work Smarter & Work Safer
  - ▣ Businesses to develop (phased, methodical) COVID-19 operational plans
  - ▣ Continue telecommuting/teleworking
- ❑ Play Smarter & Play Safer

# Updates: Today's Media Briefing

- Data showing (strong) Stay Home, Stay Safe order is slowing the spread – “but not time to declare victory” (fewer cases, loss of life should mean better economic outlook in the long run).
- Can allow a few more people back to work
  - ▣ Maintain 6-foot distance, wear cloth face masks in public, employees stay home when ill.
  - ▣ Training required for employers & employees.
- Next steps:
  - ▣ Allow small crews of  $\leq 5$  outdoors or in unoccupied structures
  - ▣ Some businesses open w/max 5 employees
- Businesses w/current curbside/delivery, continue to operate w/minimal # employees.
- Outdoor retail (garden centers ctr., greenhouses but < 10 employees/customers)



□ AOA reopen NON-TRADITIONAL Farmers' Markets

# Today's Media Briefing: Federal Role

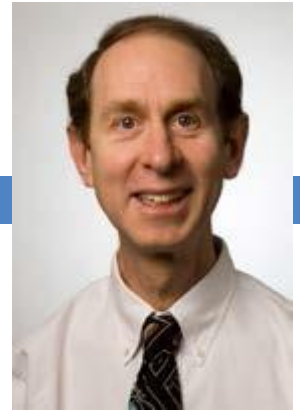
Peter Welch update by phone

- ❑ Federal role: address economic crisis.
- ❑ \$1200 checks
- ❑ Unemployment insurance
- ❑ PPP – fund had run out; yesterday passed additional funds. Very popular in VT: (7K businesses received authorization)
  - ▣ VT businesses that previously filed applications will hopefully now be approved.
  - ▣ Specific authorization to make funds available for VT agricultural industry
- ❑ 100b. for health care:
  - ▣ 75b. for hosps.
  - ▣ 25b. for testing
- ❑ Pressure on state revenues: Congress must address

# Today's Media Briefing: Modeling

- Data trends positive: anticipate soon reaching peak of Vermonters w/active virus
  - ▣ Confirmed positive case rate <10% is good trend.
- Expected case rate doubling rate = 37d. (27d. last week)
- Supply far above projected needs (PPE, hospital beds)
- Vermonters have shown high compliance with decreasing geographic mobility.
- IHME: VT-specific data expected next week (also included Vermont in small group of states best-positioned to open at appropriate time).

# Today's Media Briefing: VDH



- As byproduct of COVID- era, health care institutions are reporting marked decrease in patients seeking care for heart attack, stroke, etc.
- Research ongoing to understand why – but likely that patients are reluctant to present, worried re: possible exposure to COVID.
- If you have symptoms c/w COVID call your health care professional
- If more serious condition, seek higher level medical care (telephone call, 9-1-1, ED).

# Practice Issues

## *Developmental Screening: On-line ASQ*

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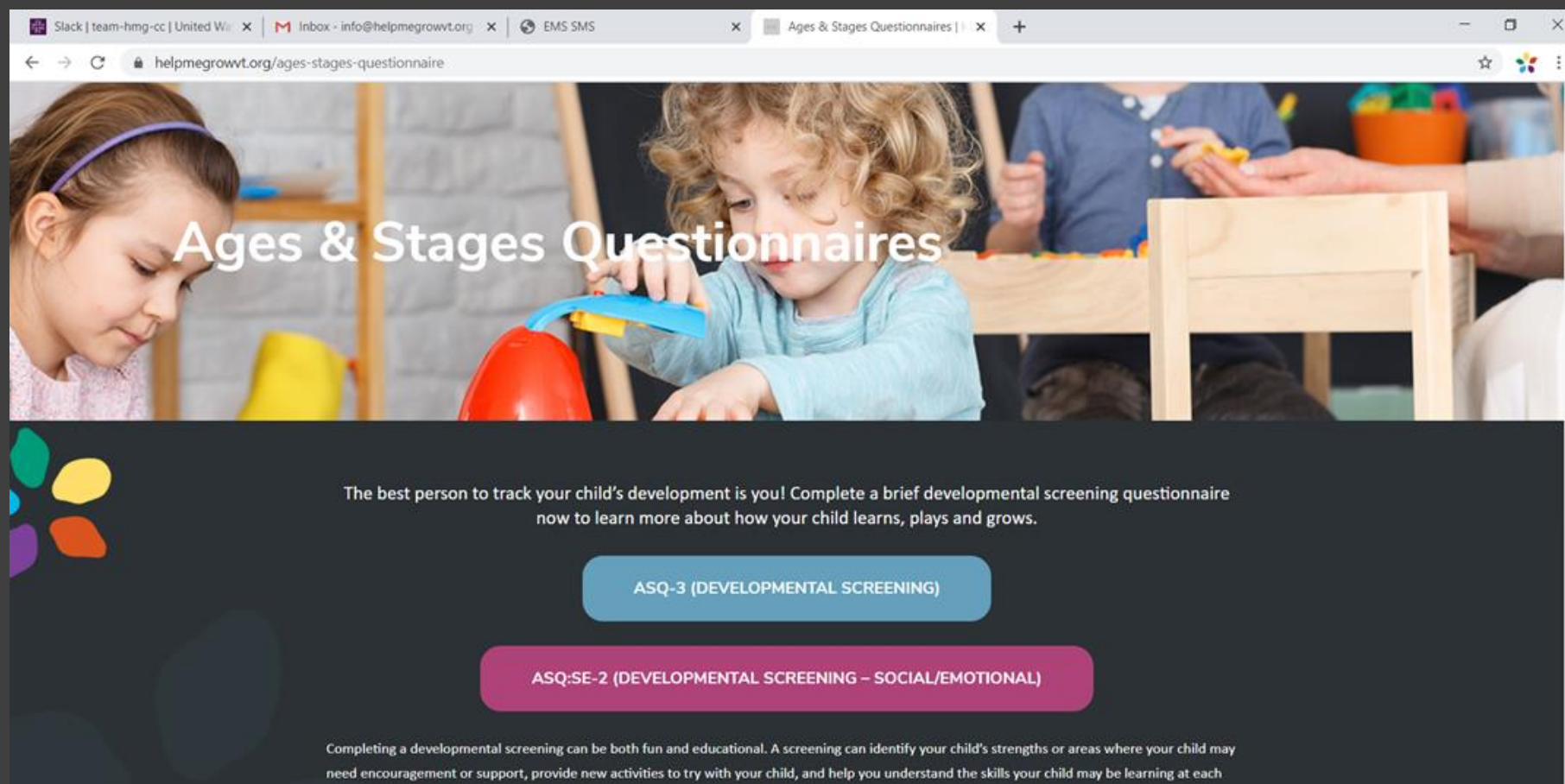


# ASQ Online Enterprise System

- HMG uses the ASQ online system. This is a way for parents to complete the screen online either at home or on a tablet in the medical office.
- The **age appropriate interval is automatically calculated**, and the screen is identical to the paper version.
- The screen is **automatically scored**, and the program can see both the entire screen and a summary sheet.
- Programs have **control over their screens and process**. They can set notifications that new screens have been completed, reminders to rescreen and indicate any referrals or follow ups needed.
- HMG is here to create each program a landing page and offer support.

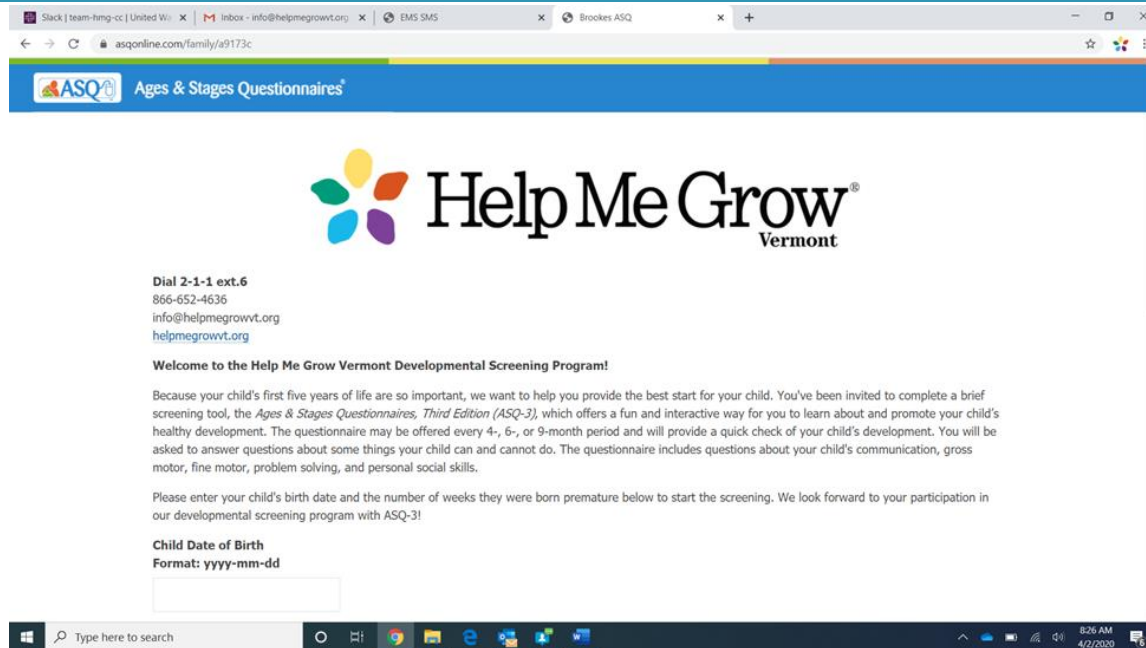
## Engage Families in Completing Screening by Offering the ASQ Online Service

HMG offers both the ASQ-3 and the ASQ:SE-2 online



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL [helpmegrowvt.org/ages-stages-questionnaire](https://helpmegrowvt.org/ages-stages-questionnaire). The page features a large image of two young children playing with toys. Overlaid on the image is the text "Ages & Stages Questionnaires". Below the image, on a dark background, is the text: "The best person to track your child's development is you! Complete a brief developmental screening questionnaire now to learn more about how your child learns, plays and grows." There are two prominent buttons: a blue one labeled "ASQ-3 (DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING)" and a pink one labeled "ASQ:SE-2 (DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING - SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL)". At the bottom, a small paragraph states: "Completing a developmental screening can be both fun and educational. A screening can identify your child's strengths or areas where your child may need encouragement or support, provide new activities to try with your child, and help you understand the skills your child may be learning at each

# Family/ Caregiver Experience with ASQ Online



- Landing page can be customized with practice logo and has their own URL for families to access
- In addition to a welcome and family friendly explanation of what the ASQ is and the importance of developmental screening, it asks for the child's DOB and weeks premature to calculate which screen to be completed

# Consent and Vermont's UDS Registry Interface for Improved Coordination and Communication

- All online screens are entered into the UDS registry. The landing page has an online consent and link to the Authorization for Release and Disclosure.
- Parents who do not want their child's information in the registry complete a paper copy instead.
- Parents will complete a demographic page after providing consent and then they will start the screen.
- The screen takes about 10 minutes to complete.

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## ASQ® Ages & Stages Questionnaires®

**Screening Date**

- ☐ I am screening my child today (2020-04-02)
- ☐ I screened my child and am entering in the responses to a previous screening

By proceeding with this questionnaire, you agree to allow Help Me Grow Vermont (HMGVT) to review your answers and follow up with you directly. Help Me Grow Vermont will communicate screening results and other basic information about your family with your child's health care provider and other service providers. When appropriate, a copy of the scored questionnaire in full will be shared with your child's health care or other service provider to improve support for your family.

Additionally, HMGVT shares developmental screening information with others to provide an overall view of how Vermont's children are doing and to coordinate support. By clicking "Submit" you are agreeing to share your child's information and screening results as outlined in the [Authorization for Release and Disclosure of Developmental Screening Results](#). This authorization is voluntary.

**For more details, or if you do NOT wish to participate in this online developmental screening program, please contact us.**

Note: By clicking "Submit", you are agreeing to both our [Family Access End User License Agreement](#) and any other consent or authorization information outlined on this page.

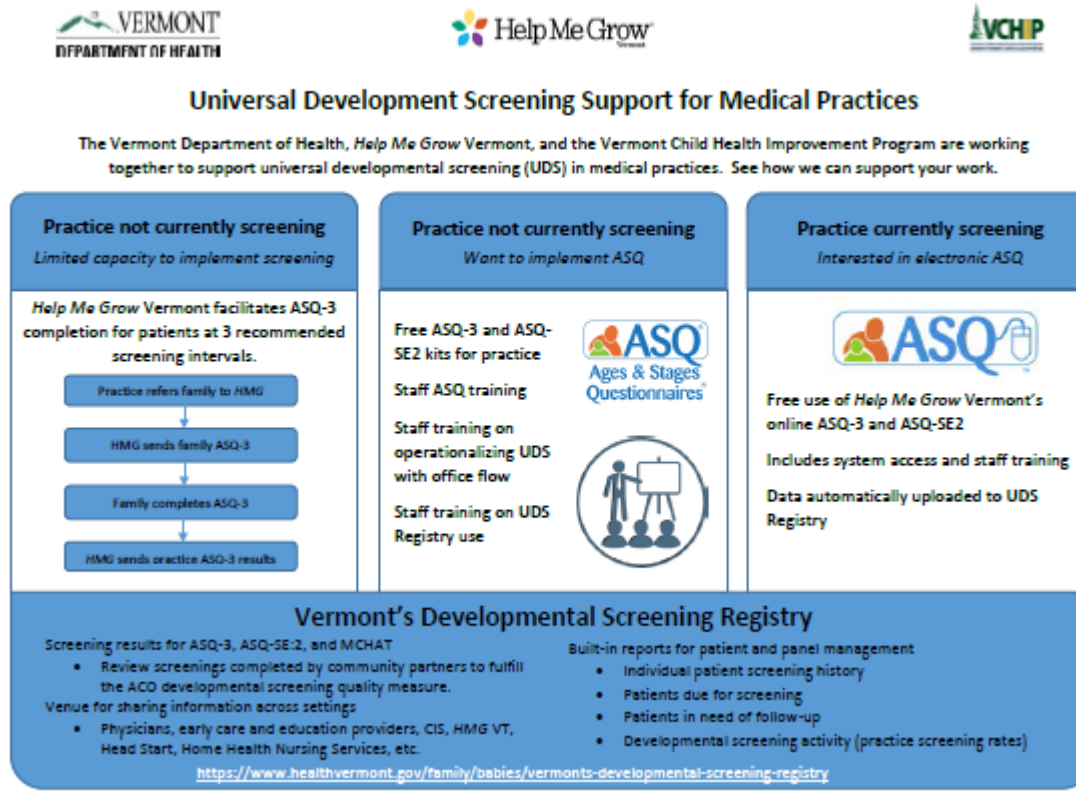
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# VCHIP and ASQ Online Enterprise System



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# Upcoming topics

- ❑ Continue to follow telehealth, telephone coverage, other financial relief.
- ❑ Summer camps/other recreational activities
- ❑ OneCare Vermont all-payer model adjustments
- ❑ Dr. Tim Lahey, UVMMC – ethical considerations (May 1, 2020)

# Questions/Discussion

- ❑ Q & A Goal: monitor/respond in real time – record/ disseminate later as needed (and/or revisit next day).
- ❑ **For additional questions, please e-mail:**
  - ❑ [vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu](mailto:vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu)
  - ❑ **What do you need** – how can we be helpful (specific guidance)?
- ❑ **VCHIP CHAMP VDH COVID-19 website:**  
[https://www.med.uvm.edu/vchip/projects/vchip\\_champ\\_vdh\\_covid-19\\_updates](https://www.med.uvm.edu/vchip/projects/vchip_champ_vdh_covid-19_updates)
- ❑ Next CHAMP call: ***Monday, April 27, 12:15-12:45*** (same webinar/call information – invitation to follow)
- ❑ Please tune in to VMS call with Commissioner Levine:  
***Tuesday, April 28, 12:15-12:45***  
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