

# Impacting Teen Parents with Early Education for Burn and Fire Prevention

## CONCLUSION

**WE IDENTIFIED A HIGH-RISK POPULATION AND PARTNERED WITH A WELL-ESTABLISHED COURSE TO EDUCATE TEEN PARENTS ON BURN AND FIRE PREVENTION.**

## RESULTS



## LESSONS LEARNED

- Burn specific education was provided regarding scald and contact burn prevention, home escape planning, smoke alarm education, and education regarding first aid and when to seek medical attention.
- On average, each teen parent learned two new fire and burn prevention techniques for their child.

## SIGNIFICANCE STATEMENT

- Unintentional fire and burn injuries are the 5<sup>th</sup> leading cause of injury deaths in the United States for children ages 1-4 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> for those ages 5-9.
- 24% of all burn injuries occur in children under the age of 15.

## DATA SOURCE/POPULATION

- We utilized an established teen parenting course offered by the local school district.
- The burn prevention coordinator partnered with the local fire department injury prevention specialists to teach a one hour lecture on burn and fire safety.
- A total of 16 classes over the past 2 years have been taught with 600-800 teen parents per/year educated.
- At the completion of the course, the teen parents were provided with water temperature testers to prevent scald burns, outlet protectors to prevent electrical injuries, temperature sensitive spoons for safe feeding, travel mugs, smoke alarms, and "first aid for burns" refrigerator magnets.

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