

## Early Childhood/Safe Baby Courts

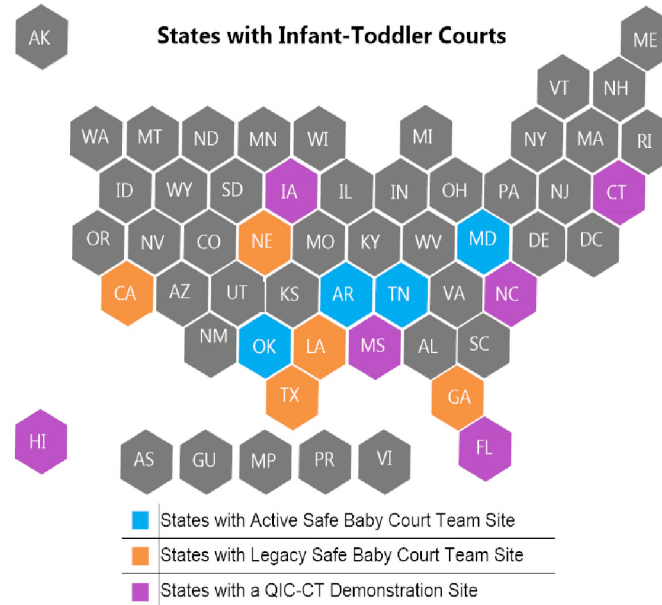
### Specialty Early Childhood/Safe Baby/Family Drug Treatment Courts:

- Early Childhood Courts and Family Dependency Treatment Courts: [Zero to Three](#) has some further information.
  - [Quality Improvement Center for Research-Based Infant-Toddler Court Teams](#): Connecticut, Florida, Hawaii, Iowa, Mississippi, North Carolina.
- Family Drug Courts
  - Jackson County, Oregon [Community Family Court](#)
  - Baltimore City, Maryland [Family Recovery Program](#)
  - National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare, [Family Treatment Drug Courts](#)
    - [NCSACW, Guidance to States](#)

### 2017 State Legislation

- ***Establishment/Support of Specialty Courts***
  - **Hawaii 2017 House Bill 581 (Failed-Adjourned)**: Supports the Hawaii zero to three court to provide funding for program manager and case manager positions, transportation for parents to visit children, emergency housing assistance, parent coaching, visitation enhancement, continued implementation of an incentive program similar to the successful model utilized in family drug court, and continued training and professional development for court team members and community partners.
  - **Hawaii 2017 House Bill 499 (Failed-Adjourned)**: Supports the Hawaii zero to three court through program manager and case manager positions, transportation for parents to visit children, emergency housing assistance, parent coaching, visitation enhancement, continued implementation of an incentive program similar to the successful model utilized in family drug court, and continued training and professional development of court team members and community partners.
  - **North Carolina 2017 Senate Bill 550 (Failed-Adjourned)**: Establishes judicially managed accountability and recovery courts throughout the state to provide case management and continuity of care for those enrolled in the program.
  - **Tennessee 2017 House Bill 862 (Enacted)**: Relates to Courts; relates to Juvenile; enacts the Tennessee Zero to Five Initiative to create five additional zero to five court programs throughout the state to be administered by the department of children's services.
  - **Tennessee 2017 Senate Bill 887 (Failed-Adjourned)**: Relates to Juvenile Courts; enacts the Zero to Five Initiative to create five additional zero to five court programs throughout the state to be administered by the department of children's services.
  - **Texas 2017 House Bill 4041 (Failed-Adjourned)**: Relates to establishing family drug courts in counties.
  - **West Virginia 2017 Senate Bill 317 (Failed-Adjourned)**: Authorizes family court judge to order substance abuse counseling of child in emergency situations.

## Zero to Three Safe Baby Court Teams



Bring stakeholders (e.g., child welfare agencies, substance abuse treatment providers, mental health treatment providers, other community supports) together with child, birth parents, foster parents etc. to help move towards reunification.

Viewed with a trauma-informed/ACEs lens

Sometimes called early childhood courts because of focus on child development.