

Making Connections

Meet Your Staff



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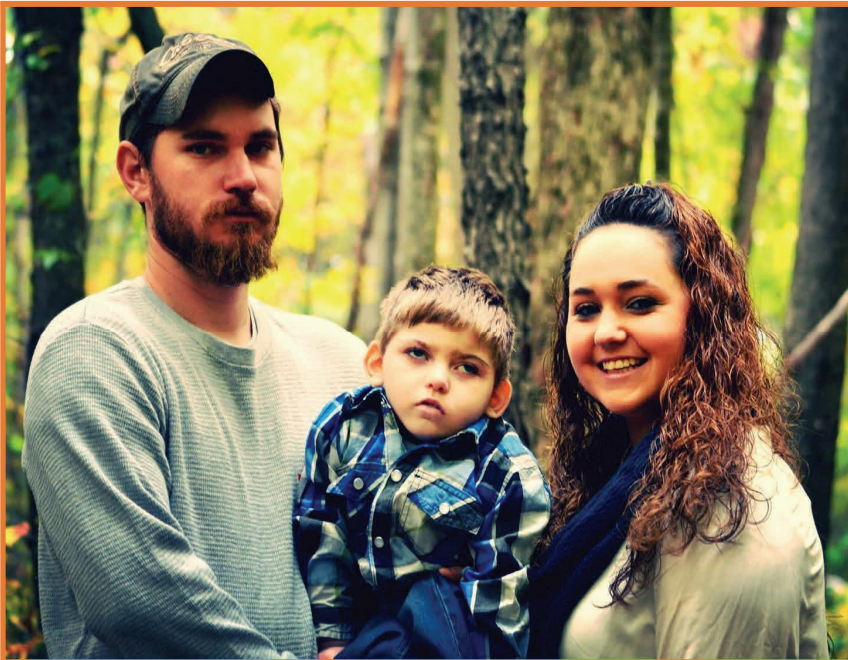


Gabe

Rachel Hamner

Program Director, Regions 5 and 6

Hi, I'm Rachel, your WV Birth to Three Program Director for Regions 5 and 6. I'm a Seneca Rocks, native, but while attending West Virginia Wesleyan College in Buckhannon, Upshur County, I decided to make that home. I live in Buckhannon, with my two children Gabe who is 6, and Addie who is 3. We have a big ole' dog, Tucker, whom my kiddos enjoy playing with. The kiddos and I have enjoyed an active summer of time at the beach and many weekends in Seneca. I have worked as your Program Director for 11 years. I thoroughly enjoy the job I do and have personally seen it help so many children and families in both of the Regions I serve. At this time I am also your Interim Service Coordinator for Barbour and Lewis Counties, in RAU 5. I am also very proud and excited to share that we are fully staffed in both Regions. We have an amazing team of very dedicated, compassionate and hardworking staff who are all eager to spread the great word of early intervention services!



Hi, my name is Deanna Warner, and I am your WV Birth to Three Parent Partner for Region 5. My role is to provide you and your family with family support, linkages to financial, community, medical and many other resources; to assist in transition with services after your child turns three and to link you to other families. I absolutely love Birth to Three! Pictured you will see me, my

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husband Patrick, and my little man Tyler, who was in the program for well over 2 years. For fun we enjoy riding the side by side and being outdoors.



Hi, my name is Barbara and I am the Data Entry Specialist at the Elkins RAU. I have three kiddos, Eli, Evie, and Zeke. All three of my children have gone through the Birth to Three program. My Zeke has Cornelia de Lange Syndrome and is full of dynamite! My older two have Autism, so you can imagine how loud and active our home can be. It's full of laughter, tears, melt-downs, messes, more laughter, and lots and lots of silly stories!



Barbara Cross

Region 5

Clerical/Data Entry



Stephanie Hoover

Region 5

Interim Service-Coordinator

Hi! My name is Stephanie Hoover and I'm the Interim Service Coordinator for WV Birth to Three. I currently serve the following counties: Upshur, Randolph and Tucker. I've been in this position for almost 5 years and absolutely love what I do. It's a joy working with families and helping them, help their child flourish into amazing individuals. I have a 5 year-old son, Travis, and 10 year-old step-son, Dylan. My husband, Rob and I, have been married for 7 years. We keep very busy with football practices and games, as well as baseball practices and games. I'm a Pennsylvania native and have lived in West Virginia for 9 years. I absolutely love this state and the wonderful people I have met!



Hannah Dixon

Hey, I'm Hannah and I've been with Birth to Three for just over a year as an ISC out of the Grafton office. I cover mostly Taylor and Preston County and occasionally Barbour County. After graduation from Alderson-Broaddus, I was hired as a Case Manager with Resource and Referral with MountainHeart. After about a year, I transitioned over to BTT. I love my job as a home visitor! When I'm not working, I am active in my church (Philippi Baptist Church) and the Celebrate Recovery program that they offer there. Things that I enjoy to do outside of work are play with my fur kids, Dottie the Pitbull/German Shepard mix, and Zasper the Doxen/Grumpy Old Man mix. I also enjoy kayaking, playing softball, and performing music when I get the chance. I love MountainHeart and all it stands for and the Birth to Three team that I am so blessed to be a part of is one-in-a-million!

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Hi, my name is Nikki Davis, I live in Summersville with my two sons, Rease and Jaxon. I am your parent partner for RAU 6. I provide families with support, information, and resources throughout the Birth to Three process. My youngest son, Jaxon has Down Syndrome and received services through Birth to Three from the age of 3 weeks to 3 years, during which time he made huge leaps and bounds. I couldn't have been more pleased with our experience and am here to help you throughout yours.



Nikki Davis

Region 6, Parent Partner



Amy Knapp

Hi, my name is Amy, I live in Quinwood, and my husband's name is Randy. We have one daughter, Anna who is 20 and was in Birth to Three. She has Spina Bifida. I have worked for MountainHeart since 2008. First as clerical for child care, then as Parent Partner, and now as Data Entry Specialist for RAU 6!

Region 6, Clerical/Data Entry



Laura Simmons

Regions 5 and 6

Interim Service Coordinator

I currently serve Braxton, Lewis, Nicholas and Webster counties as an Interim Service Coordinator. I enjoy meeting new families with Birth to Three and bringing them services that will help maximize their child's abilities. Spending time with my own family is a priority and we also have a lot of four-legged fur babies. I love fall and am an avid WVU Mountaineer football fan. **Let's Go!!!!**

Hello, my name's Laura! I currently serve Pocahontas, Greenbrier, Monroe, and Summers counties as an Interim Service Coordinator. I have been with Birth to Three for 3 plus years. I enjoy working with and meeting new families and assisting them in getting the services that they need to help reach their milestones. My husband, Dr. Justin Jeffries, and I have two beautiful daughters; Elizabeth Jane, 3 and Audrey Caroline, 2. We just moved into a new home with our four-legged children, and are very excited to begin making memories together in our new home.



Laura Jeffries

Region 6

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Pumpkin Dip



INGREDIENTS

3 ounces [cream cheese](#),
softened
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup [powdered sugar](#)
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups [canned pumpkin](#)
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon [cinnamon](#)
 $\frac{1}{8}$ teaspoon [nutmeg](#)
 $\frac{1}{8}$ teaspoon [ginger](#)
8 ounces [Cool Whip](#)

DIRECTIONS

1. Beat cream cheese and powdered sugar until smooth and creamy; add canned pumpkin and spices.
2. Fold in Cool Whip; mix until creamy.
3. Serve with apple slices/ginger snaps/ graham crackers.