Arkansas

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2015

The Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant, Title V of the Social Security Act, is the only federal program devoted to improving the health of all women, children and families. Title V provides funding to state maternal and child health (MCH) programs, which serve 42 million women and children in the U.S. To learn more about Title V, visit www.amchp.org.

MCH Block Grant Funds to Arkansas

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<th>FY 2013</th>
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<td>$6,620,316</td>
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Title V Administrative Agency:
Arkansas Department of Health, Center for Health Advancement, Family Health Branch
Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities Services, Children’s Medical Services

*States must provide a three dollar match for every four Federal dollars allocated.

Protecting and Improving the Health of Arkansas’ Families

Medical Home Training — With a new grant, the MCH program will provide training on the medical home concept to pediatricians and family practice physicians in target sites over the next year.

Toll-free Information Line — MCH supports a 1-800 telephone line, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Callers receive a wide range of information about specific campaigns and programs within the Department of Health.

Family Education — The program surveys all children with special needs when they turn 14 to help focus the youths’ and families’ attention on planning for the child’s transition into adult care. The program also distributes a quarterly newsletter to over 15,000 families with special needs.

Prenatal Care — Local health units provide prenatal care services, assist physicians with Medicaid enrollment and offer nutrition education.

Medical Services for Special Needs Children — The MCH program pays for direct medical services for over 600 children with special health care needs who do not receive Medicaid benefits. The CSHCN program is managed by the Arkansas Department of Human Services Division of Developmental Disabilities Services-Children’s Medical Services section. For eligible Medicaid recipients, it also pays for some services, like van lifts and wheelchair ramps for homes. By paying for these services, the program enables families to care for their children and youth at home, decreasing hospitalizations. The program also provides case management services for special needs families who request this assistance.

People Served by the Arkansas MCH Program*

Title V population-based preventive and systems building services benefit all women and children in the state. In addition, the MCH Block Grant provided direct services to the following individuals:

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<td>48,956</td>
<td>pregnant women</td>
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<td>49,194</td>
<td>infants under one</td>
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<td>651,239</td>
<td>children and adolescents</td>
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<td>14,942</td>
<td>children with special health care needs</td>
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<td>106,625</td>
<td>other</td>
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<td>870,956</td>
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*2013 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau
Health Needs in Arkansas

- Improve trauma care for children
- Improve oral health in children and women
- Reduce births to older teens
- Reduce obesity and overweight among school-aged children
- Improve communication between the Title V CSHCN program and the CSHCN population
- Improve training and program development for the Title V CSHCN workforce
- Reduce smoking among women of childbearing age

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**Grants to Arkansas***

**State Implementation Grants for Integrated Community Systems for CSHCN**
AR CHILDRENS HOSPITAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE  
Little Rock, AR  
$299,867  
(State Implementation Grants for Integrated Community Systems for CSHCN)

**STATE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (SSDI)**
ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
Little Rock, AR  
$99,777  
(State Systems Development Initiative)

**GENETICS SERVICES**
AR CHILDRENS HOSPITAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE  
Little Rock, AR  
$593,000  
(Genetic Services Project)

**Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disorders Training Program**
UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS SYSTEM  
Little Rock, AR  
$713,652  
(Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disorders Training Program)

*These grants were awarded in FY 2013. For a complete list of Title V Grantees:  