Maine

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 Maine

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Title V Administrative Agency:
Division of Population Health, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of Maine’s Families, Children and Communities

School-based Health Center—School-based health centers represent an excellent example of improved health care access through existing institutions, where children and youth are located. School-based health centers are an evidence-based practice for providing health care to hard to reach pediatric populations, particularly youth who are at risk for poor health outcomes. The Division of Population Health utilizes school-based health centers as an avenue to reach underserved youth and to connect them with a primary care provider and medical home. All middle and high school students participating in a school-based health center receive a health risk assessment within their first 3 visits to the health center.

Healthy Families - The Maine Maternal, Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Panel works to reduce maternal, fetal and infant deaths and other risks such as premature births and low birth weight. It takes a broad, holistic approach to improving the quality of life for all of Maine’s women, infants and families. MFIMR promotes collaboration among health care professionals and their communities.

Healthy Children — Newborn Screening in Maine includes screening infants for hearing loss, inborn errors of metabolism and other congenital birth defects; combined these programs screen 98% of babies born each year in Maine. Working collaboratively with the health care system, infants who screen positive receive treatment for serious and/or life threatening conditions within days of birth.

Injury Prevention - The program links people to data, resources and training specific to intentional and unintentional injury. It works with multiple stakeholders (state and non-governmental organizations) to plan and implement activities and initiatives that result in a reduction of injuries among people in Maine. The Program facilitated the development of a state injury prevention plan as well as a state suicide prevention plan.

People Served by the Maine 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:

- 12,590 pregnant women
- 12,617 infants under one
- 99,552 children and adolescents
- 3,500 children with special health care needs
- 0 others
- **192,229** total served

*2013 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau
Health Needs in Maine

- Improve adolescent sexual health
- Reduce the prevalence of overweight and obesity among adults in Maine
- Reduce the prevalence of domestic violence and sexual assault and associated health disparities
- Reduce Suicide and self-inflicted injury in the maternal and child population in Maine
- Reduce the incidence of unintentional injuries to Maine's MCH population
- Ensure early identification and a comprehensive and coordinated family-centered system of care for children with autism spectrum disorder
- Reduce children's exposure to violence at home, in school and the community
- Improve behavioral/mental health and trauma status of infants, children and adolescents by offering responsive support, services and educational information
- Improve women's mental health and access to mental health treatment for women suffering from a mental health condition, including postpartum depression
- Improve reproductive health outcomes for Maine women

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**Grants to Maine***

STATE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (SSDI)
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF
Augusta, ME
$88,286
(State Systems Development Initiative)

*These grants were awarded in FY 2013. For a complete list of Title V Grantees: [https://mchdata.hrsa.gov/tvisreports/Snapshot/SnapShotMenu.aspx](https://mchdata.hrsa.gov/tvisreports/Snapshot/SnapShotMenu.aspx)