

District of Columbia

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2019

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. In FY2017, 86% of all pregnant women, 99% of infants, and 55% of children nationwide benefitted from a Title V-supported service. To learn more about Title V, visit www.amchp.org.

MCH Block Grant Funds to District of Columbia

FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
\$6,895,901	\$6,890,080	\$6,910,703

Title V Administrative Agency:

Community Health Administration, DC Department of Health

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of DC's Families

Women and Infants — Using a life course perspective, the District of Columbia (DC) strives to improve the health of women and infants by addressing social determinants of health, implementing systems-level interventions and building collective impact. Current strategies include increasing use of preventive care and reproductive life planning among reproductive age women, with a focus on adolescents; decreasing risks for preterm births, including tobacco use; increasing initiation and duration of breastfeeding; enhancing community support for fathers; and, working with health care and health financing sectors to implement clinical quality improvement initiatives for women and infant health. Key programs include enhanced perinatal case management for women at high risk for adverse birth outcomes; newborn screening (metabolic, hearing and critical congenital heart disease) and care coordination; perinatal oral health outreach and education; and safe sleep education.

Children and Adolescent Health — The Family Health Bureau aims to improve and promote optimal health and quality of life for all District pre-school and school-age children and adolescents, including children and youth with special healthcare needs. The Bureau enhances access to preventive, dental, primary, and specialty care services for all children; provides education and support resources for families; and contributes to the development of a coordinated, culturally competent and family-centered health system. Some of the key programs include: evidence-based home visitation for parents of children from birth to five; centralized information and referral centers to connect children at-risk for developmental delays and disabilities with needed services; school health services including school-based health centers, preventive dentistry, school nursing services, health and sexuality education, and sexual violence prevention programs; support enhanced nutrition and increased physical activity for children and youth; and promotion of recommended vaccines, surveillance and assessments.

Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

(CYSHCN) —The District of Columbia Title V program provides sub-grants for organizations focused on addressing CYSHCN issues including asthma, transition services and parent navigation. Funding is also allocated to support community organizations, such as the Wendt Center for Loss and Healing to address the behavioral health needs of children and youth affected by trauma. Additionally, Title V provides support for care coordination within DC's Early Intervention/Part C program.

People Reached by the DC MCH Program*

100.0%	Pregnant women
100.0%	Infants under one
100.0%	Children and adolescents
100.0%	Children with special health care needs
12.0%	Other

*2017 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau

Health Needs in DC

- Improving maternal and child health
- Improving women's reproductive health
- Decreasing perinatal disparities
- Reducing chronic disease burden among children and youth
- Improving adolescent access to and utilization of primary care and behavioral health services
- Enhancing positive youth development for adolescents to decrease high-risk behaviors
- Enhancing use of medical home and transitional services for CYSHCN

State Selected National Performance Measures

- Well Woman Visit
- Breastfeeding
- Developmental Screening
- Physical Activity
- Bullying
- Transition
- Preventive Dental Visit
- Smoking

Current Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS)

Perinatal and Infant Oral Health National Learning Network (and former Oral Health Resource Center)

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
Washington, DC

MCH Research

CHILDREN'S RESEARCH INSTITUTE
Washington, DC

Partnerships for Urban MCH and State Title V Leadership Communities

ASSOCIATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS INC
Washington, DC

The National Network to Advance Systems of Services for CSHCN

THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE TO ADVANCE ADOLESCENT HEALTH
Washington, DC

Maternal and Child Environmental Health Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network (CoIIN)

ASSOCIATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS INC
Washington, DC

National Organizations for State and Local Officials

CENTER FOR HEALTH POLICY DEVELOPMENT
Washington, DC

Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS
Washington, DC

MCH Navigator Program

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
Washington, DC

National Genetics Education and Family Support Center

GENETIC ALLIANCE, INC.
Washington, DC

Women's Preventive Services Guidelines

THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS
Washington, DC

Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network on School-Based Health Services (CoIIN-SBHC)

SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH ALLIANCE
Washington, DC

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

MARY'S CENTER FOR MATERNAL AND CHILD CARE, INC.
Washington, DC

Infant-Toddler Court Teams

ZERO TO THREE NATIONAL CENTER FOR INFANTS, TODDLERS AND FAMILIES INC
Washington, DC

Strengthen Evidence Base for MCH Programs

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
Washington, DC

Supporting State Maternal and Child Health Policy Innovation

THE CENTER FOR HEALTH POLICY DEVELOPMENT
Washington, DC

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ASSOCIATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS INC
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