

Missouri

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 Missouri

| FY 2016 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 |
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| \$12,258,017 | \$13,578,167 | \$12,202,566 |

Title V Administrative Agency:

Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services, Division of Community and Public Health

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of Missouri's Families

Home Visiting — Title V funds support home visiting through the Healthy Families Missouri Home Visiting and Building Blocks of Missouri Home Visiting programs. These programs implement the evidence-based Healthy Families America (HFA) and the Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) home visiting models serving twenty-two counties. HFA model services begin prenatally or within 3 months of the birth of the baby through age 3 and up to age 5. The NFP model serves first-time mothers less than 28 weeks gestation who are at risk of adverse pregnancy outcomes and through the first two years of the child's life. The goals of these programs are to engage low income families in home visiting services to improve pregnancy outcomes; cultivate and strengthen nurturing parent-child relationships; to promote healthy childhood growth and development; improve economic self-sufficiency by continuing education and job finding assistance; and to enhance family functioning by reducing risk and building protective factors. To learn more visit:

<http://health.mo.gov/living/families/homevisiting/index.php>

Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs — Title V and state funds support the Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Program, which provides service coordination for individuals from birth to age 21 who meet medical eligibility guidelines and limited funding for medically necessary diagnostic and treatment services for individuals whose families also meet financial eligibility guidelines. Title V funding also supports the Kids Assistive Technology Program which provides assistive technology and vehicle and home access modifications that enhance health care for eligible children while promoting independence.

Special Health Care Needs (SHCN) Family

Partnership – The SHCN Family Partnership provides an opportunity for families of individuals with special health care needs to build a support network and to provide the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services with input regarding special needs issues. The initiative also increases public awareness of the unique needs of individuals with disabilities. Family Partnership members include parents, legal guardians, and family members of individuals with special needs.

Local MCH Agency Contracts — Title V funds support a statewide MCH network through community-based contracts with local public health agencies (LPHAs). The purpose of the contract is to support a leadership role for LPHAs to: build community-based systems and expand the resources those systems can use to respond to priority MCH issues; promote the health of mothers, infants and children and provide mothers, infants and children access to quality MCH services; and reduce health disparities for women, infants, and children. Based on focused local assessments and identification of the priority MCH needs in their community, LPHAs engage with their community and partner with stakeholders to implement a three-year work plan to address the identified priority MCH issue(s) and address risk and protective factors that influence health disparities within families and communities through the Life Course Perspective.

Child Care Initiatives — These projects enhance resource and referral services for families and children with special health care needs. Families receive technical assistance about how to find appropriate child care for their child with special health care needs, while child care providers receive technical assistance and training to ensure the child is fully integrated into the child care program. Title V funds also support a statewide child care health consultation program which provides health and safety consultation, health issue training, and technical assistance for child care providers and health promotion activities for children in the child care setting.

Percentage Served by the Missouri MCH Program*

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| 47.0% | pregnant women |
| 100.0% | infants under one |
| 57.0% | children and adolescents |
| 38.0% | children with special health care needs |
| 1.0% | others |

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

Health Needs in Missouri

- Improve pre-conception prenatal and postpartum health care services for women and children of childbearing age
- Improve maternal/newborn health by reducing cesarean deliveries among low-risk first births
- Ensure risk appropriate care for high risk infants to reduce infant mortality/morbidity
- Support adequate early childhood development and education
- Reduce intentional and unintentional injuries among children and adolescents.
- Ensure coordinated, comprehensive, and ongoing health care services for children with and without special healthcare needs
- Prevent and reduce smoking among women of child bearing age and pregnant women
- Ensure adequate health insurance coverage and improve health care access for MCH populations

State Selected National Performance Measures

- Well Woman Visit
- Low-risk Cesarean Delivery
- Risk-Appropriate Perinatal Care
- Developmental Screening
- Injury Hospitalization
- Medical Home
- Smoking
- Adequate Insurance Coverage

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Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

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Current Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS)

Healthy Tomorrows for Children Program
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION ASSOCIATION
Independence, MO

Healthy Tomorrows for Children Program
SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY
St. Louis, MO

State Systems Development Initiative (SSDI)
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES
Jefferson City, MO

