

Texas

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 Texas

FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
\$33,958,965	\$33,822,318	\$34,534,092

Title V Administrative Agency:

Texas Department of State Health Services

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of Texas's Families

Direct Services* – The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) uses Title V funds to provide preventive and primary care services for children and women through contracts with local clinics throughout the state. Prenatal care, dysplasia treatment, child and adolescent health care, dental care, and laboratory services are provided. The Health and Human Services Commission's (HHSC) Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program provides primary care and specialty care for eligible children and youth through contracts with an existing system of providers established through the state Medicaid program.

**All direct services provided by Contractors are delivered when coverage of these services is not available through Medicaid, CHIP, private insurance, or other "third party payors."*

Enabling Services – Title V funding provides an array of services including case management and family support and community resources to CSHCN and their families through local community-based organizations and DSHS regional staff. Case management for high risk pregnant women and infants is also available through Title V-funded contractors.

Population-Based Services - Title V funding supports statewide, population-based efforts to address the Title V national and state performance measures. This includes planning, implementing, and evaluating services and initiatives in Texas communities. Title V supports staff throughout the 8 health service regions, boosting the MCH infrastructure throughout the state.

Population-based services also include vision and hearing screening, spinal screening, expanded newborn screening, statewide fluoridation program, school health, supporting breastfeeding, addressing child injury and maintaining birth defects registry.

Infrastructure Building Services – The department uses Title V resources to address overarching MCH initiatives in areas, including the following:

- Implement TexasAIM, a statewide quality improvement initiative that helps hospitals and communities improve maternal safety through implementing best-practices
- Collaboration and coalition building to develop and implement services to improve the overall health and well-being of adolescents in their communities
- Support of the 17-member Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Task Force created to study maternal mortality and morbidity in Texas
- Cooperative endeavors across state agencies and school districts to address child and adolescent health risks and building strengths and resiliency
- Interagency and community collaborations and partnerships to promote the medical home concept for all children, including those with special health care needs
- Statewide, collaborative initiatives to support and improve transition services and outcomes for youth with special health care needs and their families
- Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies, a statewide initiative to decrease maternal mortality and morbidity and improve birth outcomes
- Zika education and resources for health care professionals and Texas residents, and developed www.texaszika.org

Percentage Served by the Texas MCH Program*

100.0%	pregnant women
100.0%	infants under one
43.0%	children and adolescents
46.0%	children with special health care needs
5.0%	others

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

Health Needs in Texas

- Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) receive family-centered, coordinated care with a medical home model
- CYSHCN and their families have the services and supports necessary to transition to adulthood
- Advance Community Inclusion efforts
- Reduce health disparities for MCH populations
- Promote all collaborations among family professional partnerships (to enhance Maternal and Child Health programming)
- Bolster access to quality statewide data, screening, and surveillance (to inform MCH programming)
- Improve coordination of care for MCH populations.
- Provide support to promote quality in primary care, women's health, and specialty services
- Ensure use of culturally and linguistically appropriate MCH education and outreach efforts
- Increase MCH safety programming from birth to 19 years

National Performance Measures

- Breastfeeding
- Safe Sleep
- Developmental Screening
- Injury Hospitalization
- Medical Home
- Transition
- Smoking

State Performance Measures

- Community Inclusion
- Adolescent Well-Visit
- Child Obesity
- Infant Mortality
- Maternal Health and Safety

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Current Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS)

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
Houston, TX

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HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Houston, TX

State Systems Development Initiative (SSDI)

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES
Austin, TX

Hemophilia Treatment Centers

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON
Houston, TX

Children's Oral Healthcare Access Program

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES
Austin, TX

Strategic Approaches to Improving Access to Quality Healthcare for Children and Youth with Epilepsy (CYE)

EPILEPSY FOUNDATION OF TEXAS
Houston, TX

Reaching Practicing MCH Professionals in Underserved Areas Through Education and Training Program

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON
Houston, TX

MCH Pipeline Training Program

BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
Houston, TX

MCH Research

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
College Station, TX

Maternal and Child Health Nutrition Training Program

BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
Houston, TX

MCH Research

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