

Wyoming

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 Wyoming

FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
\$1,210,980	\$1,194,729	\$1,195,544

Title V Administrative Agency:

Maternal and Child Health Unit, WY Dept. of Health

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of Wyoming's Families

Healthy Baby Home Visitation Program

Home visiting services provided by Public Health Nurses are offered to all Wyoming women, infants and their families through the Healthy Baby Home Visitation Program. This program is funded by Title V matching State General funds and Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (TANF) funds. The program is comprised of two models: Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) and Best Beginnings (BB). NFP is available in 11 of Wyoming's 23 counties for first-time low-income mothers whose first visit with their Public Health Nurse occurs before 28 weeks gestation. Women who live in non-NFP counties, are not eligible for NFP or who choose not to participate in NFP may enroll in BB, a homegrown model based on the Florida State University *Partners for a Healthy Baby* curriculum. Both models provide prenatal support and education, smoking cessation resources and support, breastfeeding education, child development education, and parenting education. These services can lead to improved pregnancy outcomes and foster healthy beginnings infants and youth children.

Women and Infant Health Program: Infant Mortality

The Women and Infant Health Program selected three focus areas for the 'Prevent Infant Mortality' priority. They include reducing pre and early term birth, reducing maternal smoking, and improving risk appropriate perinatal care. Highlighted activities include: (1) creation and distribution of a Wyoming-specific *Healthy Babies are Worth the Wait* video informing women and families about the importance of waiting 39 weeks for delivery; (2) development of a 17P progesterone provider's guide; and (3) implementation of CDC's Levels of Care Assessment Tool (LOCATe), which assessed WY hospitals' levels of neonatal and maternal care for the purpose of improving risk appropriate perinatal care.

Child Health Program: Help Me Grow

The Child Health Program is working with partners, including Wyoming 2-1-1, a statewide information and referral system, to launch Help Me Grow Wyoming. Help Me Grow seeks to identify and inform parents who have at-risk children about child development and parenting resources; refer families to resources in the community in areas such as early intervention, therapy, and parenting classes; coordinate care and follow up to ensure families are successfully connected with those resources; and collect data to identify gaps and barriers in the early childhood system.

Adolescent Health Program: Adolescent Well Visit

The Adolescent Health Program facilitates a multidisciplinary team to increase access to and quality of Adolescent Well Visits. This team was selected to participate in the Adolescent and Young Adult Health (AYAH) Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network (CoIIN) Cohort 2. The Adolescent Health Program and CoIIN team are partnering with the University of Michigan's Adolescent Health Initiative to help improve health care environments for Wyoming's Adolescents and Young Adults.

Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

Wyoming MCH Benefits and Eligibility Specialists and local Public Health Nurses provide care coordination for children and youth with special health care needs and their families by partnering with providers, Medicaid, KidCare CHIP, community organizations, and health care facilities (in-state and out-of-state) to assure access to quality medical care, resources, and referrals. MCH is also exploring ways to increase access to specialty clinics (e.g. Genetics) through telehealth.



Percentage Served by the Wyoming MCH Program*

100.0%	pregnant women
100.0%	infants under one
20.0%	children and adolescents
22.0%	children with special health care needs
3.0%	others

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

Health Needs in Wyoming

- Prevent Infant Mortality
- Increase the proportion of infants who are breastfed, and who are exclusively breastfed at 6 months.
- Reduce and prevent childhood obesity
- Promote health and safe relationships in adolescents.
- Improve access to and use of effective family planning.
- Promote preventive and quality care for children and adolescents.
- Prevent injury in children

State Selected National Performance Measures

- Low-risk Cesarean Delivery
- Breastfeeding
- Developmental Screening
- Physical Activity
- Adolescent Well-Visit
- Medical Home
- Transition
- Smoking

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