A SNAPSHOT OF HOW THE TITLE V MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BLOCK GRANT WORKS IN YOUR STATE

Maryland
Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2021

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 FY2019, 92.1% of all pregnant women, 98.0% of infants, and 59.6% of children nationwide benefited from a Title V-supported service. To learn more about Title V, visit www.amchp.org.

MCH Block Grant Funds to Maryland

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<th>FY 2017</th>
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<td>$11,673,326</td>
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Title V Administrative Agency:
The Maternal and Child Health Bureau administers the Office of Family and Community Health Services, the Office for Genetics and People with Special Health Care Needs, the Office of the Maryland Women, Infant, and Children (WIC) Program, and the Office of Quality Initiatives. The Bureau is located within the Prevention and Health Promotion Administration at the Maryland Department of Health.

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of Maryland’s Families

Pregnant Women, Mothers and Infants — The goal of the Maternal and Perinatal Health Program is to prevent maternal and infant deaths and other adverse perinatal outcomes by promoting preconception health, assuring early entry into prenatal care and improving perinatal care. In collaboration with local health departments, hospitals, private providers, professional organizations and community groups, the program supports infant mortality review activities in every jurisdiction and promotes access to quality services for all pregnant women and infants. Babies Born Healthy Initiative supports enhanced care coordination in the most impacted jurisdictions.

Newborn Screening — Babies born in Maryland are screened for over 50 metabolic and genetic disorders, hearing status, and critical congenital heart disease (CCHD). Title V funds support newborn bloodspot screening follow-up, surveillance of CCHD screening, and Maryland’s Early Hearing Detection and Intervention program. Title V funds also support birth defects surveillance and long term follow up for children with sickle cell disease.

Children and Adolescents — Title V funds Maryland’s 24 local health departments to provide the core public health functions of assessment, policy development and assurance to citizens at the local level. The Title V Program partners with local health departments and others to promote child and adolescent health. Activities address immunizations, lead screening, asthma control, school health, teen pregnancy prevention, and child fatality review.

Children with Special Needs — Title V funds support medical home, health care transition, and family-professional partnership initiatives. Title V funds also support critical genetic medicine services for children identified through newborn screening. The Maryland Children’s Medical Services Program pays for specialty services for children with special health care needs who are uninsured or underinsured.

Percentage Served by the Maryland MCH Program*

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<tr>
<td>100.0%</td>
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*2019 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau
Health Needs in Maryland

- Optimize the health and well-being of girls and women across the life span using preventive strategies
- Improve perinatal and infant health in Maryland by reducing disparities
- Improve access to preventive, primary, specialty, and behavioral services for Maryland children including those with special health care needs
- Improve the health and well-being of adolescents and young adults in Maryland including those with special health care needs by addressing risk behaviors
- Strengthen systems of care for children and youth with special health care needs
- Reduce substance use/misuse across the MCH populations including use of tobacco products, alcohol, prescription drugs, and opioids
- Improve oral health status of MCH populations across the life span

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Current Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS)

- **Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program**  
  SAN MAR CHILDREN'S HOME, INC  
  Boonsboro, MD

- **Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program**  
  PRIMARY CARE COALITION OF MONTGOMERY CTY  
  Silver Spring, MD

- **Maternal and Child Health Field-Initiated Research Program**  
  UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND  
  College Park, MD

- **MCH Pipeline Training Program**  
  KENNEDY INSTITUTE, INC  
  Baltimore, MD

- **State Systems Development Initiative**  
  MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
  Baltimore, MD

- **Training CED/COR Pediatric and Child Psychiatry**  
  JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY  
  Baltimore, MD

- **Training Program in Maternal and Child Health**  
  JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY  
  Baltimore, MD

- **Sickle Cell (Newborn Screening Program)**  
  SICKLE CELL DISEASE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA  
  Baltimore, MD

- **State Maternal Health Innovation Program**  
  JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY  
  Baltimore, MD

- **Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health**  
  NATIONAL HEALTHY START ASSOCIATION, INC  
  Baltimore, MD