New Mexico

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 benefitted from a Title V-supported service. To learn more about Title V, visit www.amchp.org.

Federal MCH Block Grant Funds to New Mexico

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Title V Administrative Agency:
Division of Family Health, State Department of Health

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of New Mexico’s Families

Care for Children — Children’s Medical Services provides care coordination and youth transition services and assures a medical home for children with special healthcare needs. Children who are eligible for clinic services receive access to pediatric specialists who assess their medical condition, make appropriate recommendations and develop a treatment plan. Cleft palate, Pulmonology, Dysmorphology, GI, Neurology, Nephrology, Cardiology and Endocrine clinics in rural areas are sponsored and coordinated by the program. The program also pays for services as a payor of last resort for children who meet medical and financial eligibility guidelines.

Perinatal Care — The High-Risk Perinatal Fund supports the provision of prenatal services to pregnant women who are uninsured or underinsured. The MCH program partners with private providers to assure prenatal care for all women in the state.

The Maternal Health program also licenses all midwives in the state and coordinates activities regarding maternal morbidity and mortality, and perinatal regionalization.

Newborn Genetic Screening — The program partners with birthing hospitals and midwives to screen for 28 metabolic/genetic conditions, critical congenital heart defects, and hearing loss and provides follow-up and care coordination services to families and providers statewide for these conditions. Staff monitor the system for quality assurance and provide outreach to providers and institutions. They also provide training for hospital and laboratory staff to ensure the quality of newborn screening. The program participates in the Mountain States Regional Genetics Network and is focusing on outreach to diverse families with genetic conditions. Families assist in the development of resource materials and with the annual newsletter.

Percentage Served by the New Mexico MCH Program*

- 99.0% Pregnant women
- 99.0% Infants under one
- 60.0% Children and adolescents
- 100.0% Children with special health care needs
- 0.0% Others

*2019 State Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau
Title V Priorities in New Mexico

• Promote high-quality maternal care with a focus on patient-centered and trauma-informed models
• Grow and sustain an equitable birth and family care workforce
• Expand access to oral healthcare for children and youth, including those with special healthcare needs
• Support the breadth of program and services that address behavioral health conditions in the adolescent population
• Increase access to specialty medical care for children and youth with special healthcare needs
• Support professionals and families to implement best practices in addressing Adverse Child Experiences (ACEs)
• Build statewide capacity to prevent perinatal substance use and advance equitable, culturally-appropriate treatment

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Current Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS)

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program
LA CLINICA DE FAMILIA
La Cruces, NM

State Systems Development Initiative
NEW MEXICO STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT
Santa Fe, NM

Telehealth for Family Engagement
FAMILY VOICES
Albuquerque, NM

The Family Voices Network of Family to Family Health Information Centers
FAMILY VOICES
Albuquerque, NM