Wyoming 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.

| MCH Block Grant Funds to Wyoming |
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| FY 2017 | FY 2018 | FY 2019 |
| $1,194,729 | $1,195,544 | $1,194,968 |

Title V Administrative Agency: Maternal and Child Health (MCH) 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

**Wyoming Hand in Hand Home Visitation Program** – Home visiting services provided by Public Health Nurses are offered to all Wyoming women, infants, and their families. This program is funded by Title V matching State general funds and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds. The program uses the Maternal Early Childhood Sustained Home-Visiting model and focuses on parent education, maternal health and well-being, family relationships, goal setting, and other issues such as housing and finances.

**Women and Infant Health Program** – The Women and Infant Health Program coordinates the Wyoming Perinatal Quality Collaborative (WYPQC). The WYPQC established subcommittees in 2020 and has begun initiatives. The WYPQC holds quarterly meetings focusing on topics pertaining to access to care and improving standards of care for women and infants in Wyoming. The program participates in an ACOG learning community to improve access to care for women with substance use disorder and their substance exposed infants. In partnership with the Utah Department of Health, the program reviews maternal deaths as part of a cross-state Maternal Mortality Review Committee.

**Youth and Young Adult Health Program** – The Youth and Young Adult Health Program partners with the University of Michigan’s Adolescent Health Initiative to improve health care environments for Wyoming’s adolescents and young adults, providing customized technical assistance to participating clinics on topics such as Bright Futures recommendations, youth friendliness, and quality improvement. The program funds and supports a new statewide youth council to bring youth voices and experience together with health programs promoting success, increased engagement, and quality improvement. The program also manages the Rape Prevention Education and Personal Responsibility Education Program federal grants.

**Child Health and Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Program** – The scope of the CYSHCN Program expanded in 2020 to include a focus on both the Title V child health and CYSHCN domains. CYSHCN program leadership and staff are working with a MCHB-funded CYSHCN consultant to assess Wyoming’s implementation of the National Standards for Systems of Care for CYSHCN. Benefits and Eligibility Specialists and local Public Health Nurses continue to provide care coordination for CYSHCN, high risk infants and pregnant women, and their families by partnering with providers, Medicaid, KidCare CHIP, community organizations, and health care facilities (in-state and out-of-state) to ensure access to quality medical care, resources, and referrals.

The program continues to support the promotion and implementation of the American Academy of Pediatrics, Bright Futures Guidelines. In addition, the program works with the University of Wyoming and licensed childcare providers across Wyoming to promote childhood physical activity.

**Newborn Screening and Genetics Program** – The Wyoming Newborn Screening (NBS) program carries out mandatory screening of newborns for metabolic and genetic conditions including critical congenital heart disease (CCHD). The program is funded through fees charged to birthing hospitals and midwives which cover the cost of laboratory analysis, courier services, confirmatory testing, and program education. Wyoming Genetics Clinics (in-person and telehealth) are offered at three local Public Health Nursing offices with geneticist services provided through a contract with the University of Colorado.

**MCH Emergency Preparedness and Response** – A Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Public Health Associate joined the MCH Unit in 2020 and serves as the MCH/Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Liaison. The MCH Unit and key stakeholders including family organization representatives also participate in the AMCHP Emergency Preparedness and Response (EPR) Action Learning Collaborative. Primary activities include integrating MCH considerations into state EPR plans and developing newborn screening contingency plans during and after emergencies.
Percentage Served by the Wyoming MCH Program*

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*2019 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau

Health Needs in Wyoming

- Prevent maternal mortality
- Prevent infant mortality
- Promote healthy and safe children
- Promote adolescent motor vehicle safety
- Prevent adolescent suicide
- Improve systems of care for children and youth with special health care needs
- Strengthen MCH workforce capacity to operationalize MCH core values

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**Current Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS)**

**State Systems Development Initiative (SSDI)**
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