

## Florida

### Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2016

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. Title V provides funding to state maternal and child health (MCH) programs, which serve 42 million women and children in the U.S. To learn more about Title V, visit [www.amchp.org](http://www.amchp.org).

#### MCH Block Grant Funds to Florida

FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
\$17,338,600	\$18,735,673	\$18,996,748

#### Title V Administrative Agency:

Department of Health, Bureau of Family Health Services and the Division of Children's Medical Services

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

### Protecting and Improving the Health of Florida's Families

**Integrated Services for Children** — Florida's Title V Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Program (Children's Medical Services) provides a comprehensive continuum of medical and supporting services to eligible individuals with special health care needs. The system of care is a statewide, integrated network of providers that includes local, regional and tertiary care facilities. Providers and families are supported through a case management system that includes nurse case managers, social workers and health care professionals. The services include prevention; early intervention; and primary, medical and therapeutic care. Florida is currently working on a statewide implementation of medical homes for children with special health care needs.

**Pregnancy Associated Mortality Review** — The MCH program monitors trends in pregnancy associated deaths and identifies clinical, system, and individual and community factors that affect receipt and delivery of care and maternal outcomes.

**Interconception Care** — Title V is funding interconception care (ICC) and early entry into prenatal care through Florida's Healthy Start program. ICC is offered to Healthy Start prenatal clients who have previously been pregnant, are capable of becoming pregnant in the future, and have risk factors that may lead to a poor pregnancy outcome; a woman being provided services on behalf of her Healthy Start infant; or any non-pregnant woman who had a pregnancy and has risk factors that may lead to a poor subsequent pregnancy outcome. Healthy Start Coalitions are responsible for assisting pregnant woman with obtaining early access to prenatal care to mitigate risk factors and improve outcomes for mother and baby.

**Life Course Metrics Report for Florida** — The project will include statistics and figures on all 59 Life Course Indicators chosen by the AMCHP-organized national expert panel provided all data are available. The purpose of the report is to provide Florida with baseline Life Course data to be used in tracking Florida's progress in the future and to compare Florida's status to the nation.

**Florida Perinatal Quality Collaborative (FPQC)** — The MCH program contracts with the FPQC to support efforts to improve Florida's maternal and infant health outcomes through the delivery of high quality, evidence-based perinatal care.

**Public Health Dental Program (PDHP)** — Title V funding supported primary dental care services, including preventive, restorative, surgical care, or other needed treatment, for uninsured or underinsured pregnant or postpartum women at or below 200% of the federal poverty level who were referred by WIC or Florida's Healthy Start. The PDHP also provides ongoing oral health education to promote optimal well-being for both mother and child, especially as it relates to improving birth outcomes and preventing early childhood caries.

**Universal Prenatal and Infant Risk Screening** — Florida law requires that providers and birthing facilities offer universal risk screening to all pregnant women at their first prenatal visit and to all newborns at birth. The screening identifies women and newborns with potential environmental, medical, nutritional, or behavioral factors that may contribute to poor birth outcomes or developmental delay. Women and newborns at risk may be eligible for Florida's Healthy Start care coordination and additional services such as breastfeeding and parenting support, nutrition, psychosocial and interconception counseling and education, based on individual need and local resources.

## People Served by the Florida MCH Program\*

Title V population-based preventive and systems building services benefit all women and children in the state. In addition, the MCH Block Grant provided services to the following individuals:

139,999	pregnant women
80,432	infants under one
215,346	children and adolescents
122,049	children with special health care needs
<b>557,826</b>	<b>Total served</b>

\*2014 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau

## Health Needs in Florida

- Promote safe and health infant sleep behaviors and environments improving support systems, and daily living conditions that make safe sleep practices challenging.
- Promote activities to improve the health of children and adolescents in extracurricular and/or out-of-school activities in a safe and healthy environment.
- Promote tobacco cessation to reduce adverse birth outcomes and secondhand smoke exposure to children.
- Promote breastfeeding to ensure better health for infants and children and reduce low food security.
- Improve access to health care for women, specifically women who face significant barriers to better health, to improve preconception health.
- Increase access to medical homes and primary care for children with special health care needs.
- Improve health care transition for adolescents and young adults with special health care needs to all aspects of adult life.

## State Selected National Performance Measures

- Well Woman Visit
- Breastfeeding
- Safe Sleep
- Physical Activity
- Bullying
- Medical Home
- Transition
- Smoking



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## Grants to Florida\*

### Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

VILLAGE SOUTH, INC, THE  
Miami, FL  
\$50,000

### Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

MIGRANT ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH FLORIDA INC  
BOYNTON BEACH, FL  
\$50,000

### STATE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (SSDI)

Health, Florida Department of  
Tallahassee, FL  
\$94,644

### Epidemiological MCH/SPH Institute

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA  
Tampa, FL  
\$27,250

### Pediatric Pulmonary Centers

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA  
Gainesville, FL  
\$333,642

### Maternal and Child Health Public Health Training Program

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA  
Tampa, FL  
\$338,295

\*These grants were awarded in FY 2013.