

## Kansas

### 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 Kansas

FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
\$4,512,738	\$4,527,045	\$4,682,822

#### Title V Administrative Agency:

Bureau of Family Health  
Kansas Department of Health and Environment

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

### Protecting and Improving the Health of Kansas Families

**Perinatal Systems of Care** — In partnership with local health departments, health centers, primary care, hospitals, Medicaid, and others, MCH promotes coordinated, quality systems of care for all pregnant women. Community collaboratives bring prenatal education and clinical care together to create the comprehensive Kansas *Becoming a Mom* program, targeting women with demonstrated high birth disparities.

The model integrates activities related to the state priorities beyond education and care: screening and referral, breastfeeding, smoking cessation, reduced preterm birth including early elective deliveries.

Significant areas of impact include fewer preterm births, fewer low-birth weight babies, increased breastfeeding initiation, and reduced infant mortality.



**Communities Supporting Breastfeeding** — The long-term goal of the Communities Supporting Breastfeeding (CSB) project is to improve exclusive breastfeeding rates for infants at three and six months of age through a multifaceted, cross-sector approach. With support from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Kansas Breastfeeding Coalition, six communities achieved the CSB designation in 2015 (six criteria). An additional five communities are receiving support to achieve the CSB designation in 2016.

**Newborn Screening** — As a result of a comprehensive public health quality initiative, 100% of Kansas newborns are screened for Critical Congenital Heart Defects (CCHD) before leaving the hospital. Policies and protocol are in place to support referral and appropriate follow-up based on the screening. Birthing facilities report the screening results, and the program provides ongoing training and technical assistance.

**Care Coordination** — In response to the Special Health Care Needs (SHCN) Strategic Plan, the program has developed a new care coordination model, consisting of a strong family partnership. This model will be implemented in 2016 and strives to find, understand, and access services and resources at the medical, school, and community levels to assure families receive the services needed to achieve optimal child and family health outcomes.

**Adolescent Health** — Title V partnered with Kansas State University to conduct an Adolescent Health Needs Assessment in 2014. The findings resulted in state plan for adolescents as well as the selected adolescent priority and related national performance measures (bullying and adolescent well visit). Recommendations to address the population's health needs are reflected in the most recent MCH five-year state action plan.

**Family and Consumer Engagement** — Pregnant women, adolescents, youth with special health care needs, parents, and communities all involved in the review of state data, selection of state priorities and the development of the state MCH plan, *MCH2020*. Families and consumers are engaged at all stages (design, planning, implementation, evaluation) in an ongoing, continuous manner through the Kansas Family Advisory Council, Kansas Maternal and Child Health Council, and special projects. Opportunities are provided to support growth and participation as council members, professionals, and experts.

## People Served by the Kansas 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:

69,232	pregnant women
73,030	infants under one
153,900	children and adolescents
42,220	children with special health care needs
7,456	others
<b>345,838</b>	<b>Total served</b>

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

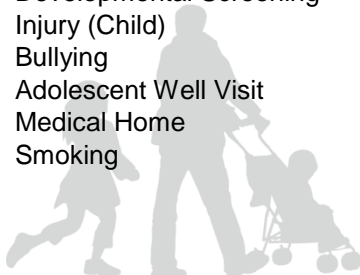
## Health Needs in Kansas

### State Selected Priorities for the Period 2016-2020

- Women have access to and receive coordinated, comprehensive care and services before, during, and after pregnancy.
- Services and supports promote healthy family functioning.
- Developmentally appropriate care and services are provided across the lifespan.
- Families are empowered to make educated choices about nutrition and physical activity.
- Communities and providers support physical, social, and emotional health.
- Professionals have the knowledge and skills to address the needs of maternal and child health populations.
- Services are comprehensive and coordinated across systems and providers.
- Information is available to support informed health decisions and choices.

## State Selected National Performance Measures

- Well Woman Visit
- Breastfeeding
- Developmental Screening
- Injury (Child)
- Bullying
- Adolescent Well Visit
- Medical Home
- Smoking



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## Grants to Kansas\*

### Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

University of Kansas Medical Center Research Institute, Inc.  
Kansas City, KS  
\$50,000

### State Systems Development Initiative (SSDI)

Kansas Department of Health & Environment  
Topeka, KS  
\$100,000

\*These grants were awarded in FY2013.

