

Kentucky

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.

MCH Block Grant Funds to Kentucky

FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
\$10,661,680	\$11,029,949	\$11,034,716

Title V Administrative Agency:
Kentucky Department for Public Health

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of Kentucky's Families

Children with Special Needs — Families may access services for children with special health care needs through 12 regional offices across the state. Direct medical services are provided to children with certain conditions. Nurses and pediatric specialty physicians provide services in the clinics held in 12 of the state's 120 counties. Families receive financial support to assist with travel and lodging to attend these clinics or receive hospital services.

Newborn Metabolic Screening — Kentucky currently screens for 52 disorders on the metabolic screen. Kentucky is in alignment with the current recommendations from the American College of Medical Genetics and the March of Dimes.

Home Visiting — The Health Access Nurturing Development Services (HANDS) provides home visiting to overburdened first-time families to help them meet the challenges of parenting during the prenatal period and during the child's first two years of life. HANDS is operational in all 120 Kentucky counties and over 10,000 families have participated each year.

Newborn Hearing Screening — Over 96.7 percent of Kentucky's infants receive hearing tests before hospital discharge, regardless of risk factor status.

Local Health Departments — The majority of Title V funding is allocated directly to local health departments to support activities benefiting women and children. Comprehensive prenatal support services, including health screening and counseling prior to conception, referral to providers, outreach and follow-up, breastfeeding education and nutrition counseling, pre-term birth prevention screening and education, laboratory tests, and home visits are available to low-income women.

People Served by the Kentucky 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:

2,720	pregnant women
53,795	infants under one
243,934	children and adolescents
20,064	children with special health care needs
33,740	others
354,253	total served

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

Health Needs in Kentucky

- Reduce maternal morbidity
- Reduce infant mortality
- Reduce child abuse and neglect
- Reduce overweight and obesity among teens
- Improve oral health
- Reduce substance abuse
- Improve transition services for CSHCN
- Improve access to Care and Services for CSHCN
- Promote adequate insurance for CSHCN
- Increase data capacity for CSHCN

State Selected National Performance Measures

- Low-risk cesarean delivery
- Breastfeeding
- Safe Sleep
- Injury
- Physical Activity
- Transition
- Oral Health
- Smoking



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Grants to Kentucky*

State Implementation Grants for Integrated Community Systems for CSHCN

KENTUCKY CABINET FOR HEALTH & FAMILY SERVICES
Louisville, KY
\$300,000

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
Lexington, KY
\$43,745

STATE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (SSDI)

KENTUCKY CABINET FOR HEALTH & FAMILY SERVICES
Frankfort, KY
\$125,000

*These grants were awarded in FY 2013.

