Texas

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, including children with special health care needs. 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 Texas

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Title V Administrative Agency: Texas Department of State Health Services

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of Texas's Families

Direct Services* – The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) uses Title V funds to provide preventive and primary care services for children and women through contracts with local clinics throughout the state. Prenatal care; dysplasia treatment, child and adolescent health care, dental care, and laboratory services are provided. The agency’s Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program provides primary care and specialty care for eligible children and youth through contracts with an existing system of providers established through the state Medicaid program. “All direct services provided by DSHS Contractors are delivered when coverage of these services are not available through Medicaid, CHIP, private insurance, or other “third party payors.”

Enabling Services – The CSHCN Services Program provides an array of services including case management, and family support and community resources to children with special health care needs and their families through local community-based organizations and DSHS regional staff. Case management for high risk pregnant women and infants is also available through Title V-funded contractors.

Population-Based Services - Title V population-based initiatives include 1) population-based contracts awarded to local entities, and 2) projects with a statewide impact, delivered by DSHS central and regional offices.

The first category includes projects awarded to local entities in order to address health disparities for minority groups and groups living in rural and border areas in Texas. Funds for these projects are used to identify and implement best practice strategies to improve birth outcomes, reduce childhood obesity, and reduce childhood injuries.

The second category includes a variety of population-based projects and initiatives including vision and hearing screening, spinal screening, expanded newborn screening, statewide fluoridation program, school health, supporting breastfeeding, and maintaining birth defects registry.

Infrastructure Building Services – The department uses Title V resources to address overarching maternal and child health initiatives in areas, including the following:

- Collaboration and coalition building to develop and implement services to improve the overall health and well-being of adolescents in their communities.
- Cooperative endeavors across state agencies and school districts to address child and adolescent health risks and focus on building strengths and resiliency.
- Interagency and community collaborations and partnerships to promote the medical home concept for all children, including those with special health care needs.
- Statewide, collaborative initiatives to support and improve transition services and outcomes for youth with special health care needs and their families.
- Healthy Texas Babies, a statewide initiative to decrease infant mortality and preterm birth using evidence-based interventions through population-based and infrastructure building activities.
People Served by the Texas 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:

- 32,486 pregnant women
- 395,186 infants under one
- 4,271,165 children and adolescents
- 180,990 children with special health care needs
- 4,551 others
- 4,884,378 total served

*2013 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau

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**Health Needs in Texas**
- Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs receive family-centered, coordinated care with a medical home model.
- CYSHCN and their families have the services and supports necessary to transition to adulthood.
- Advance Community Integration efforts.
- Reduce health disparities for MCH populations.
- Promote all collaborations among family professional partnerships (to enhance Maternal and Child Health programming).
- Bolster access to quality statewide data, screening, and surveillance (to inform MCH programming).
- Improve coordination of care for MCH populations.
- Improve access to and quality of primary care, women’s health and specialty clinical services.
- Ensure use of culturally and linguistically appropriate MCH education and outreach efforts.
- Increase MCH safety programming from birth to 19 years.

State Selected National Performance Measures
- Well Woman Visit
- Breastfeeding
- Safe Sleep
- Developmental Screening
- Injury
- Medical Home
- Transition
- Smoking

Grants to Texas*

**State Implementation Grants for Integrated Community Systems for CSHCN**
BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
Houston, TX
$86,500

**State Implementation Grants for Integrated Community Systems for CSHCN**
TEXAS CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL
Houston, TX
$276,224

**Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program**
NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS INC.
Bellaire, TX
$43,745

**STATE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (SSDI)**
STATE HEALTH SERVICES, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
Austin, TX
$93,858

**Hemophilia Treatment Centers**
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON
Houston, TX
$500,000

**GENETICS SERVICES**
TEXAS HEALTH INSTITUTE
Austin, TX
$593,000

**Certificate in MCH Public Health**
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON
Houston, TX
$176,634

**Leadership Training in Pediatric Nutrition**
BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
Houston, TX
$176,800

*These grants were awarded in FY 2013.