Pennsylvania

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2013

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 44 million women and children in the U.S. To learn more about Title V, visit www.amchp.org.

MCH Block Grant Funds to Pennsylvania

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<th>FY 2012</th>
<th>FY 2013 (Estimate)</th>
<th>Difference in Federal Funds*</th>
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Title V Administrative Agency:
Bureau of Family Health, Pennsylvania Department of Health
Estimated State Funds, FY 2013: $57,474,000

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

Protecting and Improving the Health of Pennsylvania’s Families

Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs — Title V and other state funds support comprehensive specialty care clinics within hospitals by filling service gaps identified by participating vendors, as well as provide funding to Community-Based Organizations for assistive services, such as psycho-social assessment, treatment planning and transportation services. Funds also support a limited formulary. The Bureau of Family Health continues to outreach to families of children with special health care needs through the PA Medical Home and Special Kids Network System of Care Programs

Through Title V funding, the Bureau of Family Health supports a new program called the TBI Child and Adolescent School Re-entry Program. The School Re-entry Program, based on a best practice model called Brain STEPS, employed in seven other states, ensures that those who provide educational support to children with brain injury have a good understanding that will help students achieve optimal educational success.

The Program includes training, consultation for teachers and other school personnel, accurate identification of brain injury, Individualized Educational Plan development and long term monitoring of students with brain injury. The program also assists parents and families’ understanding of how brain injury impacts on the child’s ability to be successful in the classroom and in social settings with peers.

Maternal and Infant Health Needs - Local Title V agencies have developed home visiting programs with a goal of improving birth outcomes, reducing low birth weight rates and reducing infant and neonatal mortality by increasing the number of women who receive prenatal care in the first trimester. Most home visiting programs through the local county/municipal health departments focus on serving at-risk women which can include women living in poverty, pregnant or parenting adolescents, women with mental health or substance abuse issues, or women with very little support in the community.

Newborn Screening – The MCHSBG funds screening for all newborns and provide follow-up services to infants and children diagnosed with any of 28 tested metabolic conditions. In 2011, approximately 50,000 newborns were served.

Collaborative efforts are targeted to hospitals, metabolic disease treatment centers, other specialty centers, a host of medical and allied health providers, laboratories, and others. The Newborn Screen and Follow-Up (NSFP) contracts for follow-up and case management with four Metabolic Disease Treatment Centers, and 10 University and Community Centers for Sickle Cell Disease.

The NSFP also provided funding to assist with Cystic Fibrosis referrals, as the Department has grants with all six centers for confirmatory testing, intervention, and medical management of CF.

This is a result of the CF Foundation guidelines, which recommends that newborns with abnormal screens be referred to an accredited CF center.

In 2013, the NSFP will add follow up for Critical Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) and Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (SCID).
People Served by the Pennsylvania 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 direct services to the following individuals:

- 6,117 pregnant women
- 144,435 infants under one
- 140,221 children and adolescents
- 14,781 children with special health care needs
- 114,651 others
- 420,205 total served

*2011 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau

Health Needs in Pennsylvania

- Improve the transition of children and youth with special health care needs from child to adult medical, educational, and social services.
- Expand injury prevention activities (including suicide prevention), for infants, children and adolescents.
- Increase screening for mental health issues among infants, children and adolescents.
- Increase behavioral health (mental health and substance abuse) screening, diagnosis and treatment for pregnant women and mothers (this includes post partum depression).
- Decrease teen pregnancy through comprehensive sex education.
- Decrease barriers for prenatal care for at-risk/uninsured women through implementation of best practices.
- Expand access to physical and behavioral health services for high risk youth such as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning (LGBTQ), runaway/homeless.
- Identify strategies for increasing respite care for caregivers.
- Reduce infant mortality rate for minorities.
- Increase awareness of and access to comprehensive information about services and programs for CSHCN.

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Grants to Pennsylvania*

State Implementation Grants for Integrated Community Systems for CSHCN
PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Harrisburg, PA
$86,500
(State Implementation Grants for Integrated Community Systems for CSHCN)

The Community Based Doula Program
EAST LIBERTY FAMILY HEALTH CARE CENTER
Pittsburgh, PA
$189,281
(The Community Based Doula Program)

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program
CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
Philadelphia, PA
$50,000
(Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program)

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program
ALBERT EINSTEIN HEALTHCARE NETWORK
Philadelphia, PA
$50,000
(Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program)

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program
TO OUR CHILDRENS FUTURE WITH HEALTH INC
Philadelphia, PA
$50,000
(Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program)

MCHB State Systems Development Initiative
PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Harrisburg, PA
$97,215
(State Systems Development Initiative)
**Family Professional Partnership/CSHCN**  
PARENT EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY LEADERSHIP CENTER  
Pittsburgh, PA  
$95,700  
(Family Professional Partnership/CSHCN)

**Thalassemia**  
CHILDRENS HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA  
Philadelphia, PA  
$172,291  
(Thalassemia)

**Awareness and Access to Care for Children and Youths with Epilepsy**  
EPILEPSY FOUNDATION OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA  
Pittsburgh, PA  
$265,000  
(Awareness and Access to Care for Children and Youths with Epilepsy)

**Leadership Training in Social Work**  
THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
Pittsburgh, PA  
$139,200  
(Leadership Training in Social Work)

**Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disorders Training Program**  
THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
Pittsburgh, PA  
$659,779  
(Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disorders Training Program)

**Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disorders Training Program**  
CHILDRENS HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA  
Philadelphia, PA  
$764,391  
(Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disorders Training Program)

**Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics Training Program**  
CHILDRENS HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA  
Philadelphia, PA  
$191,943  
(Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics Training Program)

**Sickle Cell Treatment Demonstration Program**  
PRIMARY CARE HEALTH SERVICES INC  
Pittsburgh, PA  
$385,502  
(Sickle Cell Treatment Demonstration Program)

**Sickle Cell**  
THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
Pittsburgh, PA  
$328,000  
(Sickle Cell)

*These grants were awarded in FY 2011. For a complete list of Title V Grantees: https://perfdata.hrsa.gov/mchb/TVISReports/Snapshot/SnapShotMenu.aspx