HRSA’s Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program

- Supports the American Samoa Home Visiting Program and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting programs for at-risk pregnant women and families with children through kindergarten entry
- Builds upon decades of scientific research showing that home visits by a nurse, social worker, early childhood educator, or other trained professional during pregnancy and in the first years of a child’s life helps prevent child abuse and neglect, supports positive parenting, improves maternal and child health, and promotes child development and school readiness

American Samoa MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

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<th>Rural counties:</th>
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American Samoa Serves a High-Risk Population

MIECHV Program awardees serve high-risk populations. Awardees tailor their programs to serve populations of need within their state.

- 99.0% of households were low income
- 15.2% of households included pregnant teens
- 10.9% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home

American Samoa Performance Highlights

- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 72.2% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis
- **Developmental Screening:** 72.0% of children enrolled in home visiting had a timely screen for developmental delays

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in American Samoa

Healthy Families America (HFA)