Connecticut’s MIECHV Program FY 2018

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

- Supports the Connecticut 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

Connecticut MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

Rural counties: Litchfield

Non-rural counties: Fairfield, Hartford, Middlesex, New Haven, New London, Windham

Participants 2,495
Households 1,288
Home Visits 24,295

Connecticut Serves a High-Risk Population

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

- 69.8% of households were low income
- 33.7% of households reported a history of child abuse or maltreatment
- 23.3% of households included someone with low student achievement

Connecticut Performance Highlights

- Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening: 94.0% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- Depression Screening: 92.6% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or within 3 months of delivery
- Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Practicum: The Connecticut Home Visiting Program implemented CQI practicum webinars with MIECHV sites, with local programs selecting their own CQI project

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Connecticut

- Child FIRST
- Early Head Start-Home-Based Options
- Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)