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

- Supports the District of Columbia 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

District of Columbia MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

- Rural counties: None
- Non-rural counties: District of Columbia
  
  - Participants: 462
  - Households: 190
  - Home Visits: 2,782

District of Columbia Serves a High-Risk Population

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

- 87.4% of households were low income
- 86.3% of households included someone with low student achievement
- 15.8% of households reported a history of substance abuse

District of Columbia Performance Highlights

- Behavioral Concern Inquiries: Caregivers were asked if they had any concerns regarding their child's development, behavior, or learning in 99.8% of postpartum home visits
- Early Language and Literacy Activities: 79.4% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in District of Columbia

- Healthy Families America (HFA)
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)