Delaware’s MIECHV Program FY 2018

HRSA’s Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program
- Supports the Delaware 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

Delaware MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

| Rural counties: None |
| Non-rural counties: Kent, New Castle, Sussex |

Participants 1,161
Households 558
Home Visits 5,783

Delaware Serves a High-Risk Population
MIECHV Program awardees serve high-risk populations. Awardees tailor their programs to serve populations of need within their state.
- 71.9% of households were low income
- 31.5% of households included someone with low student achievement
- 12.4% of households included a child with developmental delays or disabilities

Delaware Performance Highlights
- Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening: 95.8% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- Parent-Child Interaction: 95.4% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting received an observation of caregiver-child interaction by the home visitor using a validated tool
- Home Visitor Training: Implemented the National Family Support Competency Framework for Family Support Professionals into annual training. After completing a self-assessment on training needs, each home visitor created an individualized plan, and the training courses offered this year will be focused on the domains considered high priority through the self-assessment

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Delaware
- Healthy Families America (HFA)
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)