Maine’s MIECHV Program FY 2018

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

- Supports the Maine 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

Maine MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

- **Rural counties:**
  - Aroostook, Franklin, Hancock, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Oxford, Piscataquis, Somerset, Waldo, Washington
- **Non-rural counties:**
  - Androscoggin, Cumberland, Penobscot, Sagadahoc, York

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Maine Serves a High-Risk Population

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

- 54.7% of households were low income
- 29.5% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home
- 20.8% of households reported a history of substance abuse

Maine Performance Highlights

- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening:** 96.0% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 94.9% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis
- **Preventing Lead Exposure:** Partnered with Maine’s Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Unit to train family visitors to provide facilitated lead dust tests in homes for families with children at risk for lead poisoning