

Home Visiting Program

Minnesota

Minnesota Family Home Visiting Program is funded in part through federal investments from the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program), and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to at-risk pregnant women and parents with young children.

The Home Visiting Program, which builds upon decades of scientific research, provides voluntary, culturally-appropriate, individually-tailored supports to families in their homes, including providing information about children's health, development, and safety, and when appropriate, referrals to support services.

Through federal grants from the Home Visiting Program, in fiscal year 2015, home visitors in Minnesota:

- made 14,309 home visits to 3,640 parents and children in 1,880 families
- enrolled 1,443 new parents and children to the program
- served families living in communities in 30 counties across the state, or 34% of Minnesota counties, of which 21 counties, or 70%, are rural.

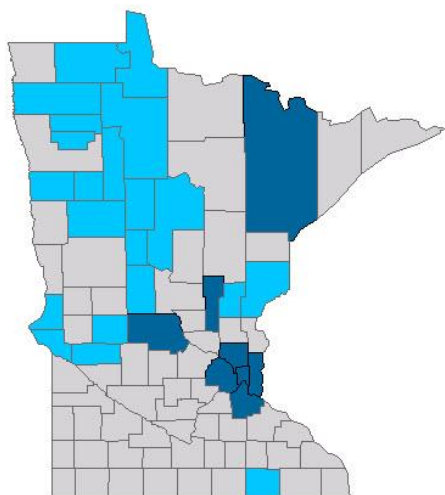
The Home Visiting Program in Minnesota:

- created a state-level data collection system to increase efficiency and quality of data;
- supported reflective practice supervision and infant mental consultation at all sites; and
- created opportunities to use CQI to inform practice and support data collection.

Like all Federal Home Visiting Program grantees, Minnesota uses home visiting models that are proven effective. Minnesota leverages federal funds to implement the following evidence-based models to serve children and families across the state:

- [Healthy Families America](#)
- [Nurse-Family Partnership](#)

Counties with home visiting services funded by federal grants from the Home Visiting Program (as of February 2016)*:



Rural counties:

Becker, Beltrami, Big Stone, Cass, Clearwater, Hubbard, Kanabec, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomon, Marshall, Mower, Norman, Pennington, Pine, Pope, Red Lake, Roseau, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wadena

Non-rural counties:

Anoka, Dakota, Hennepin, Mille Lacs, Ramsey, St. Louis, Stearns, Washington

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The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program is administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in close partnership with the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The Program supports at-risk pregnant women and families, and helps parents of children from birth to kindergarten entry tap the resources and hone the skills they need to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn.

Research shows that home visits by a nurse, social worker, early childhood educator, or other trained professional during pregnancy and in the first years of life improve maternal and child health, prevent child abuse and neglect, increase positive parenting, and enhance child development and school readiness.