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

- Supports the Tennessee 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

Tennessee MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

- **Participants**: 3,145
- **Households**: 1,566
- **Home Visits**: 19,014

- **Rural counties**: Bedford, Claiborne, Cocke, Coffee, Cumberland, DeKalb, Dyer, Grundy, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Henry, Johnson, Lake, Lauderdale, Lawrence, McMinn, Monroe, Obion, Rhea, Scott, Sevier
- **Non-rural counties**: Bradley, Campbell, Davidson, Dickson, Hamilton, Knox, Madison, Marion, Maury, Montgomery, Polk, Sequatchie, Shelby, Tipton, Union

Tennessee Serves a High-Risk Population

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

- 48.4% of households were low income
- 17.1% of households reported a history of child abuse or maltreatment
- 9.6% of households reported a history of substance abuse

Tennessee Performance Highlights

- **Behavioral Concern Inquiries**: Primary caregivers were asked if they had any concerns regarding their child's development, behavior, or learning in 91.4% of postpartum home visits
- **Early Language and Literacy Activities**: 90.8% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis