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

- Supports the Washington 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

Washington MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

- **Rural counties:** Adams, Clallam, Grays Harbor, Mason, Okanogan
- **Non-rural counties:** Cowlitz, Franklin, King, Pierce, Skagit, Snohomish, Spokane, Walla Walla, Yakima

| Participants | 3,318 |
| Households   | 1,728 |
| Home Visits  | 21,734 |

Washington Serves a High-Risk Population

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

- 63.8% of households were low income
- 17.2% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home
- 13.6% of households included pregnant teens

Washington Performance Highlights

- **Behavioral Concern Inquiries:** Primary caregivers were asked if they had any concerns regarding their child's development, behavior, or learning in 83.2% of postpartum home visits
- **Depression Screening:** 76.7% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or within 3 months of delivery
- **Improved Performance:** In FY 2018, WA data showed improvement across a large number of performance measures. This may be related to continuous quality improvement, quality assurance, and strong programming in communities

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Washington

- Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)