

## Rhode Island

**Family Visiting, Rhode Island's 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 Rhode Island:

- made 11,740 home visits to 2,212 parents and children in 1,184 families;
- enrolled 1,386 new parents and children to the program; and
- served families living in communities in 3 counties across the state, or 60% of Rhode Island counties.

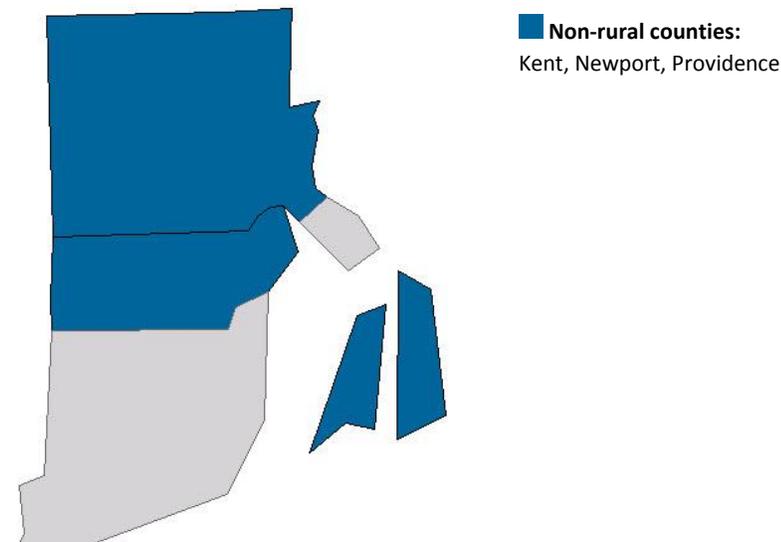
The Home Visiting Program in Rhode Island:

- integrated home visiting enrollment data into the statewide child immunization registry;
- provided reflective practice supervision for all sites; and
- developed a multi-faceted rebranding campaign called Love That Baby.

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

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

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



### More about Rhode Island:

[Family Visiting Program](#)

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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.