

American Samoa's MIECHV Program FY 2019



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

- Supports the [American Samoa 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

American Samoa MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

■ Rural counties:

Fofo, Itu Au, Lealataua, Leasina, Ma Oputasi, Sa Ole, Sua, Tualatai, Tualauta, Vaifanua

■ Non-rural counties:

None



Participants

516

Households

266

Home Visits

2,750

American Samoa Targets Community Needs

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

- 100% of households were low income
- 16.5% of households included pregnant teens
- 9.0% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in American Samoa

[Healthy Families America \(HFA\)](#)

American Samoa Performance Highlights

- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 99.6% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis
- **Developmental Screening:** 91.6% of children enrolled in home visiting had a timely screen for developmental delays