

Home Visiting Program

Arizona

The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (MIECHV Program) supports the Arizona Home Visiting Program and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to at-risk pregnant women and parents with young children.

The MIECHV 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 MIECHV Program, in fiscal year 2016, home visitors in Arizona:

- Made 30,068 home visits to 4,468 parents and children in 2,286 families
- Enrolled 2,047 new parents and children to the program, or 45% of participants
- Served families living in communities in 13 counties across the state, or 87% of Arizona counties, of which 5 counties, or 38%, are rural

The MIECHV Program in Arizona:

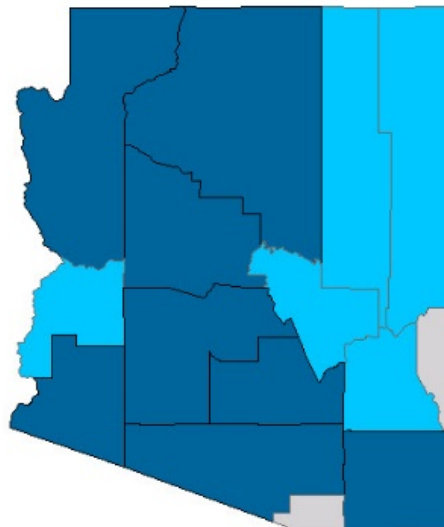
- Screened 90% of women enrolled for at least 6 months postpartum for depression
- Screened 99% of parents who reached 12 months postnatal for parent support for child's learning and development as well as for parenting behaviors and parent child relationship

Like all MIECHV Program grantees, Arizona uses evidence-based home visiting models that are proven to improve child health and to be cost effective. Arizona leverages federal funds to implement the following models to serve children and families across the state:

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

Counties with home visiting services funded by federal grants from the MIECHV Program (as of March 2017):

- **Rural counties:**
Apache, Gila, Graham, La Paz, Navajo
- **Non-rural counties:**
Cochise, Coconino, Maricopa, Mohave, Pima, Pinal, Yavapai, Yuma



More about Arizona:

[Arizona Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program](#)

[National Survey of Children's Health 2011/2012 Arizona Profile](#)

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The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program is administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in 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.