Connecticut’s MIECHV Program FY 2019

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

- Supports the Connecticut 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

Connecticut MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

- **Rural counties:** Litchfield
- **Non-rural counties:** Fairfield, Hartford, Middlesex, New Haven, New London, Tolland, Windham

**Participants**

- 2,444

**Households**

- 1,237

**Home Visits**

- 22,822

Connecticut Targets Community Needs

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

- 63.7% of households were low income
- 32.8% of households reported a history of child abuse or maltreatment
- 23.8% of households included a child with developmental delays or disabilities

Connecticut Performance Highlights

- **Depression Screening:** 95.4% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or within 3 months of delivery
- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 90.5% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Connecticut

- Child FIRST
- Early Head Start-Home-Based Options
- Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)