

Home Visiting Program

District of Columbia

District of Columbia Home Visitation 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 District of Columbia:

- Made 3,367 home visits to 514 parents and children in 273 families; and
- Enrolled 351 new parents and children to the program

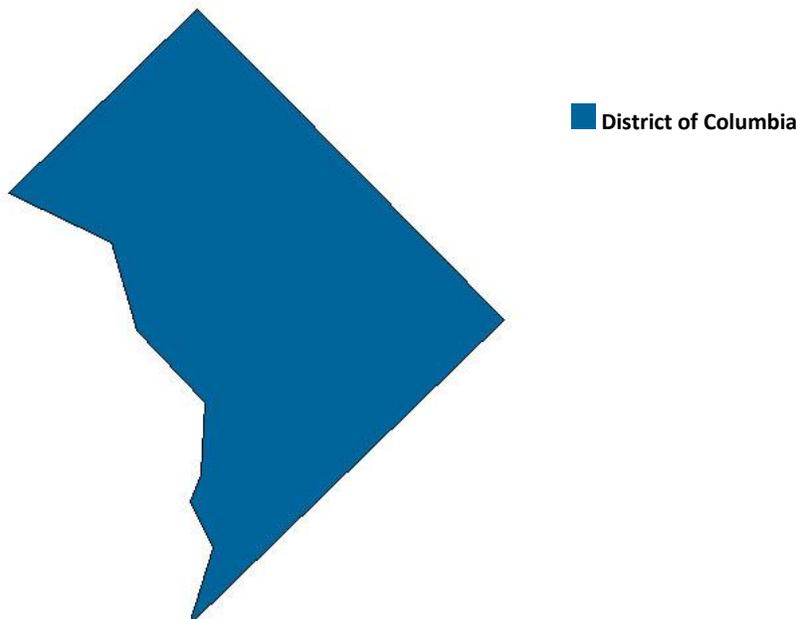
The Home Visiting Program in District of Columbia has:

- created a district-level web-based data system to increase efficiency and quality of data;
- provided a series of 14 online home visiting learning modules to promote home visitors' knowledge of child development and meeting the needs of the families; and
- funded a rigorous evaluation focused on implementation and fidelity.

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

- [Healthy Families America](#)
- [Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters](#)
- [Parents as Teachers](#)

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



More about District of Columbia:

[National Survey of Children's Health 2011/2012 District of Columbia 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 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.