Delaware’s MIECHV Program FY 2019

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

- Supports the Delaware 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

Delaware MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

- Rural counties: None
- Non-rural counties: Kent, New Castle, Sussex

Participants

1,217

Households

592

Home Visits

6,882

Delaware Targets Community Needs

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

- 74.3% of households were low income
- 19.1% of households included someone with low student achievement
- 17.6% of households reported a history of substance abuse

Delaware Performance Highlights

- Depression Screening: 92.6% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or within 3 months of delivery
- Postpartum Care: 91.5% of mothers enrolled in home visiting received a postpartum visit with a healthcare provider within 8 weeks of delivery

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Delaware

- Healthy Families America (HFA)
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)