Iowa’s MIECHV Program FY 2019

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

- Supports the Iowa 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

Iowa MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

| Rural counties: | Participants | 1,906 |
| Non-rural counties: | Households | 978 |
| | Home Visits | 14,428 |

Rural counties:
- Appanoose, Cerro Gordo, Clinton, Des Moines, Lee, Montgomery, Muscatine, Page, Wapello

Non-rural counties:
- Black Hawk, Pottawattamie, Scott, Woodbury

Iowa Targets Community Needs

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

- 63.3% of households were low income
- 28.9% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home
- 25.3% of households reported a history of child abuse or maltreatment

Iowa Performance Highlights

- **Well Child Visits:** 95.6% of children enrolled in home visiting received their last recommended well child visit based on the American Academy of Pediatrics schedule
- **Depression Screening:** 94.5% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or within 3 months of delivery

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Iowa

- **Early Head Start-Home-Based Options**
- **Healthy Families America (HFA)**
- **Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)**
- **Parents as Teachers (PAT)**