Louisiana’s MIECHV Program FY 2019

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

- Supports the Louisiana 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

Louisiana MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

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<th>Rural counties:</th>
<th>Participants</th>
<th>4,046</th>
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<td>Avoyelles, Bienville, Claiborne, East Carroll, Evangeline, Franklin, Madison, Morehouse, Natchitoches, Red River, Richland, Saint Landry, Saint Mary, Tensas, Vernon, Washington, West Carroll, Winn</td>
<td>Households</td>
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<td>Non-rural counties:</td>
<td>Home Visits</td>
<td>22,544</td>
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<td>Bossier, Caddo, Calcasieu, Cameron, East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lafourche, Livingston, Orleans, Ouachita, Rapides, Saint Bernard, Saint Charles, Saint Tammany, St John The Baptist, Tangipahoa, Union, Webster</td>
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Louisiana Targets Community Needs

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

- 85.9% of households were low income
- 25.6% of households included someone with low student achievement
- 21.0% of households included pregnant teens

Louisiana Performance Highlights

- **Behavioral Concern Inquiries:** Caregivers were asked if they had any concerns regarding their child’s development, behavior, or learning in 91.1% of postpartum home visits
- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening:** 86.1% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- **Autism Screening Training of Trainers:** Partnered with the Louisiana Developmental Screening Coordinator to prepare home visiting team supervisors to train their teams to accurately implement the M-CHAT-R/F, an autism screen for children aged 16-30 months. Team trainings are scheduled for early 2020.

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Louisiana

- Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)