Maryland’s MIECHV Program FY 2019

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

- Supports the Maryland 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

Maryland MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

| Rural counties: | Participants | 2,532 |
| Non-rural counties: | Households | 1,371 |
| | Home Visits | 29,236 |

Maryland Targets Community Needs

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

- 91.2% of households were low income
- 27.0% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home
- 13.9% of households included a child with developmental delays or disabilities

Maryland Performance Highlights

- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening:** 88.3% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- **Depression Screening:** 84.3% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or within 3 months of delivery
- **Substance Exposed Newborn (SEN) Training:** Held a two-day training for MIECHV, Early Head Start, child welfare, and other early childhood professionals focusing on SEN and addressing addiction, recovery, trauma, stigma, self-regulation, court involvement/custody, engaging clients, effective referrals, and connections with local professionals to integrate services provided to families.

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Maryland

- Healthy Families America (HFA)
- Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)