

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

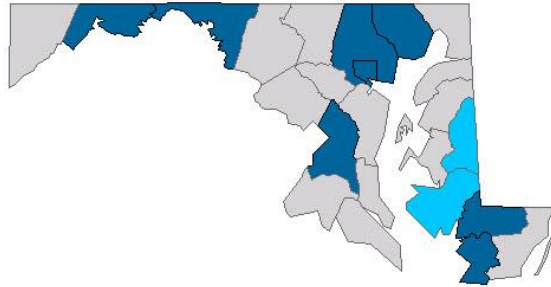
Maryland MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

■ Rural counties:

Caroline, Dorchester

■ Non-rural counties:

Allegany, Baltimore County, Baltimore City, Harford, Prince George's, Somerset, Washington, Wicomico



Participants

2,473

Households

1,326

Home Visits

14,610

Maryland Serves a High-Risk Population

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

- 52.5% of households were low income
- 18.2% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home
- 16.3% of households included pregnant teens

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in MD

[Nurse-Family Partnership](#)

[Healthy Families America](#)

Maryland Performance Highlights

- **Substance-Exposed Newborn Training:** In conjunction with their university partners, Maryland is developing and implementing a two-day training on substance-exposed newborns for home visitors. While this training can stand alone, it can also be broadly applied and incorporated into the existing home visiting training certificate program, and trainings to support other professionals that work with infants and toddlers.
- **Behavioral Concerns:** Caregivers were asked if they had any concerns regarding their child's development, behavior, or learning in 81.8% of postpartum home visits
- **Developmental Screening:** 76.1% of children enrolled in home visiting had a timely screen for developmental delays