Maine’s MIECHV Program FY 2019

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

- Supports the Maine 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.

Maine MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

- Rural counties:
  - Aroostook, Franklin, Hancock, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Oxford, Piscataquis, Somerset, Waldo, Washington
- Non-rural counties:
  - Androscoggin, Cumberland, Penobscot, Sagadahoc, York

Maine Targets Community Needs

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

- 53.9% of households were low income
- 23.3% of households reported a history of substance abuse
- 18.1% of households included a child with developmental delays or disabilities

Maine Performance Highlights

- Early Language and Literacy Activities: 95.9% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis
- Continuity of Insurance Coverage: 94.8% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting had continuous health insurance coverage for at least 6 consecutive months

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Maine

Parents as Teachers (PAT)