

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

- Supports the [Missouri 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

### Missouri MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

**Rural counties:**

Butler, Dunklin, Pemiscot, Ripley

**Non-rural counties:**

St. Louis City



**Participants**

**999**

**Households**

**493**

**Home Visits**

**7,624**

## Missouri Serves a High-Risk Population

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

- 89.2% of households were low income
- 24.3% of households included someone with low student achievement
- 14.2% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in MO

[Early Head Start - Home Based Option](#)

[Nurse-Family Partnership](#)

[Parents as Teachers](#)

## Missouri Performance Highlights

- **Increased Client Retention:** Missouri implemented a continuous quality improvement state priority focus to increase client retention to 76% in FY17. Agencies implemented Plan, Do, Study, Act (PDSA) cycles resulting in a retention rate increase from 71% to 77% (an 8.5 percent change), exceeding the target percentage.
- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening:** 93.3% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- **Behavioral Concerns:** Caregivers were asked if they had any concerns regarding their child's development, behavior, or learning in 92.8% of postpartum home visits