

## North Carolina

**North Carolina Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program** is funded in part through federal investments from the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program), and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to at-risk pregnant women and parents with young children.

The Home Visiting Program, which builds upon decades of scientific research, provides voluntary, culturally-appropriate, individually-tailored supports to families in their homes, including providing information about children’s health, development, and safety, and when appropriate, referrals to support services.

Through federal grants from the Home Visiting Program, in fiscal year 2015, home visitors in North Carolina:

- made 6,870 home visits to 985 parents and children in 537 families;
- enrolled 408 new parents and children to the program; and
- served families living in communities in 12 counties across the state, or 12% of North Carolina counties, of which 7 counties, or 58%, are rural.

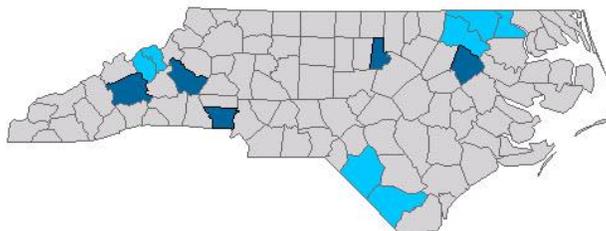
The Home Visiting Program in North Carolina:

- Improved birth outcomes, decreased infant mortality, and improved the health of children;
- Implemented an evidence-based home visiting program in a comprehensive early childhood system at both the state and local levels; and
- Provided state staff members to work directly with local implementing agencies to provide consultation, training, technical assistance, and support in an effort to enhance local capacities to create and sustain comprehensive early childhood systems.

Like all Federal Home Visiting Program grantees, North Carolina uses home visiting models that are proven effective. North Carolina leverages federal funds to implement the following evidence-based models to serve children and families across the state:

- [Healthy Families America](#)
- [Nurse-Family Partnership](#)

**Counties with home visiting services funded by federal grants from the Home Visiting Program (as of February 2016)\*:**



**Rural counties:**

Columbus, Halifax, Hertford, Mitchell, Northampton, Robeson, Yancey

**Non-rural counties:**

Buncombe, Burke, Durham, Edgecombe, Gaston

### More about North Carolina:

[North Carolina Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program](#)

[National Survey of Children’s Health 2011/2012 North Carolina Profile](#)

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The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program is administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in close partnership with the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The Program supports at-risk pregnant women and families, and helps parents of children from birth to kindergarten entry tap the resources and hone the skills they need to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn.

Research shows that home visits by a nurse, social worker, early childhood educator, or other trained professional during pregnancy and in the first years of life improve maternal and child health, prevent child abuse and neglect, increase positive parenting, and enhance child development and school readiness.