

# Home Visiting Program

## Nebraska

The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (MIECHV Program) supports the Nebraska Home Visiting Program and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to at-risk pregnant women and parents with young children.

The MIECHV 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 MIECHV Program, in fiscal year 2016, home visitors in Nebraska:

- Made 5,4232 home visits to 798 parents and children in 333 families
- Enrolled 264 new parents and children to the program, or 33% of participants
- Served families living in communities in 5 counties across the state, or 5% of Nebraska counties, of which 3 counties, or 60%, are rural

The MIECHV Program in Nebraska:

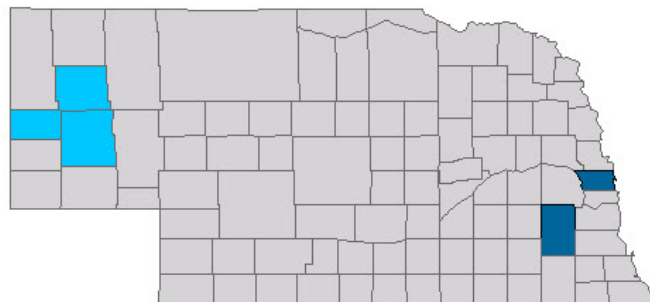
- Screened 98% of women enrolled for at least 3 months for domestic violence and reported that of those women that screened positive, 91% completed a safety plan
- Ensured that all local implementing agencies received accreditation from Healthy Families America
- Collaborated in high-impact activities such as the MCH Title V Block Grant priorities, the Behavioral Health System of Care, the Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council, Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health, Coaching Collaboration Teams, the 2017 Recharge for Resilience Conference for Home Visiting Professionals, and the Healthy Families America National Training Advisory Committee

Like all MIECHV Program grantees, Nebraska uses evidence-based home visiting models that are proven to improve child health and to be cost effective. Nebraska leverages federal funds to implement the following models to serve children and families across the state:

- [Healthy Families America](#)

### Counties with home visiting services funded by federal grants from the MIECHV Program (as of March 2017):

- **Rural counties:**  
Box Butte, Morrill, Scotts Bluff
- **Non-rural counties:**  
Douglas, Lancaster



### More about Nebraska:

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

[National Survey of Children's Health 2011/2012 Nebraska Profile](#)

[Title V MCH Block Grant Snapshot for Nebraska](#)

The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program is administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in 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.