

# New Jersey's MIECHV Program FY 2019

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



- Supports the [New Jersey 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

### New Jersey MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

**Rural counties:**

None

**Non-rural counties:**

Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Gloucester, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Salem, Somerset, Sussex, Union, Warren



**Participants**  
10,595

**Households**  
5,805

**Home Visits**  
60,869

### New Jersey Targets Community Needs

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

- 59.7% of households were low income
- 32.3% of households reported a history of child abuse or maltreatment
- 10.6% of households included pregnant teens

### New Jersey Performance Highlights

- **Behavioral Concern Inquiries:** Caregivers were asked if they had any concerns regarding their child's development, behavior, or learning in 93.4% of postpartum home visits
- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 83.1% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in New Jersey

[Healthy Families America \(HFA\)](#)

[Nurse-Family Partnership \(NFP\)](#)

[Parents as Teachers \(PAT\)](#)