

# Rhode Island's MIECHV Program FY 2019



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

- Supports the [Rhode Island 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

### Rhode Island MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

**Rural counties:**

None

**Non-rural counties:**

Bristol, Providence, Washington



**Participants**

**3,511**

**Households**

**1,753**

**Home Visits**

**18,934**

### Rhode Island Targets Community Needs

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

- 74.8% of households were low income
- 29.1% of households included someone with low student achievement
- 24.1% of households reported a history of child abuse or maltreatment

### Rhode Island Performance Highlights

- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening:** 91.1% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 87.1% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis
- **Depression Screening and Referrals:** Participating in the home visiting collaborative improvement and innovation network (HV-CoIIN) effort focused on maternal depression. Since January 2019, an average of 87% of women are screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment, and 86% of women with a positive screen are accepting a referral to evidence-based services.

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Rhode Island

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

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

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