Vermont’s MIECHV Program FY 2019

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

- Supports the Vermont 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

Vermont MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

- **Rural counties:**
  - Addison, Bennington, Caledonia, Essex, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, Rutland, Washington, Windham, Windsor
- **Non-rural counties:**
  - Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle

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\text{Participants} & 795 \\
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\text{Households} & 448 \\
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\text{Home Visits} & 3,360 \\
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Vermont Targets Community Needs

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

- 76.2% of households were low income
- 52.6% of households included someone with low student achievement
- 23.1% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home

Vermont Performance Highlights

- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening and Referrals:** 100% of primary caregivers were screened for intimate partner violence using a validated tool, and 100% who screened positive received referral information.
- **Postpartum Care:** 100% of mothers enrolled in home visiting received a postpartum visit with a healthcare provider within 8 weeks of delivery
- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 93.7% 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 Vermont

Maternal Early Childhood Sustained Home-Visiting Program (MECSH)