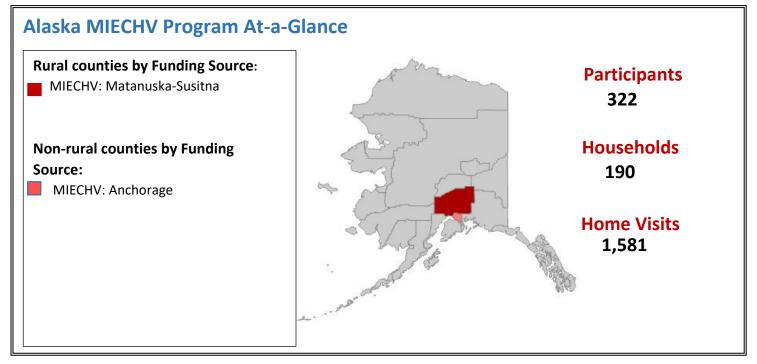
# **Alaska MIECHV Program FY 2022**



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

supports the <u>Alaska Home Visiting Program</u> and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting programs for expectant and new parents with children through kindergarten entry age living in communities that are at-risk for poor maternal and child health outcomes<sup>1</sup>.



## **Alaska Prioritizes Community Needs**

MIECHV Program awardees tailor their programs to serve populations of need within their state. In Alaska:

- 63.8% of households were at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines
- 19.5% of households included a pregnant enrollee under age 21

## **Alaska Performance Highlights**

MIECHV Program awardees track and report improvements in MIECHV benchmark areas every year. Awardees are required by authorizing statute to demonstrate improvement in

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Alaska

Nurse-Family
Partnership (NFP)

benchmark areas every three years. In the most recent assessment following FY 2020, the Alaska MIECHV program successfully met the requirements for demonstration of improvement by improving in 5 of the 6 MIECHV <u>benchmark areas.</u>

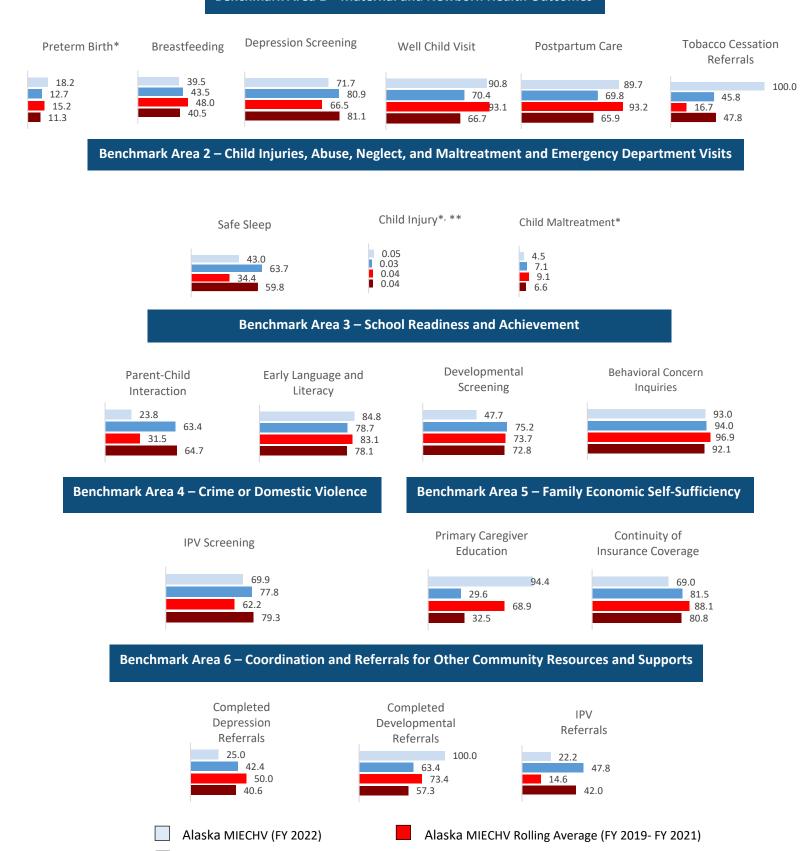
#### FY 2022 Performance Highlights Include:

- Well Child Visits: 90.8% of children enrolled in home visiting received their last recommended well child visit based on the American Academy of Pediatrics schedule. Routine well-child check-ups prevent illness (through timely vaccinations), promote early identification of concerns, and ensure that children remain healthy.
- Professional Development: Alaska has launched a Home Visiting ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare
  Outcomes) series, a virtual learning collaborative community, for home visiting professionals. Topics have included
  substance misuse, intimate partner violence, safe sleep, and developmental screening and monitoring.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> HRSA awarded ARP (American Resue Plan Act) funds to current MIECHV awardees to address the needs of families in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Alaska MIECHV Performance Measurement Data Compared to MIECHV Averages<sup>2</sup>

#### Benchmark Area 1 - Maternal and Newborn Health Outcomes



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Comparison to a three-year average minimizes the effects of outliers or potential data reporting issues specific to one year.

MIECHV National Rolling Average (FY 2019- FY 2021)

MIECHV National Average (FY 2022)

<sup>\*</sup> Direction for improvement in performance is downwards. \*\*Child Injury reported as a rate