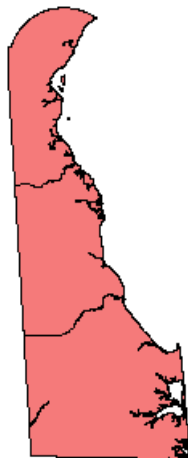


## HRSA's Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program

supports the [Delaware Home Visiting Program](#) 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>.

**Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Delaware:** [Healthy Families America \(HFA\)](#), [Nurse-Family Partnership \(NFP\)](#), [Parents as Teachers \(PAT\)](#)

## Delaware MIECHV Program At-a-Glance



■ **Rural Counties<sup>2</sup>:**

None

■ **Non-Rural Counties<sup>2</sup>:**

Kent, New Castle, Sussex

### Participants

1,275

### Households

606

### Home Visits

7,081

## Delaware Prioritizes Community Needs

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

- **95.1%** of households were at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and **80.8%** were at or below 100% of those guidelines.
- **3%** of households included a pregnant enrollee under age 21

## Delaware 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 benchmark areas every three years. In the most recent assessment following FY 2023, the Delaware MIECHV program successfully met the requirements for demonstration of improvement by improving in all 6 [benchmark areas](#).

### FY 2023 Performance Highlights Include:

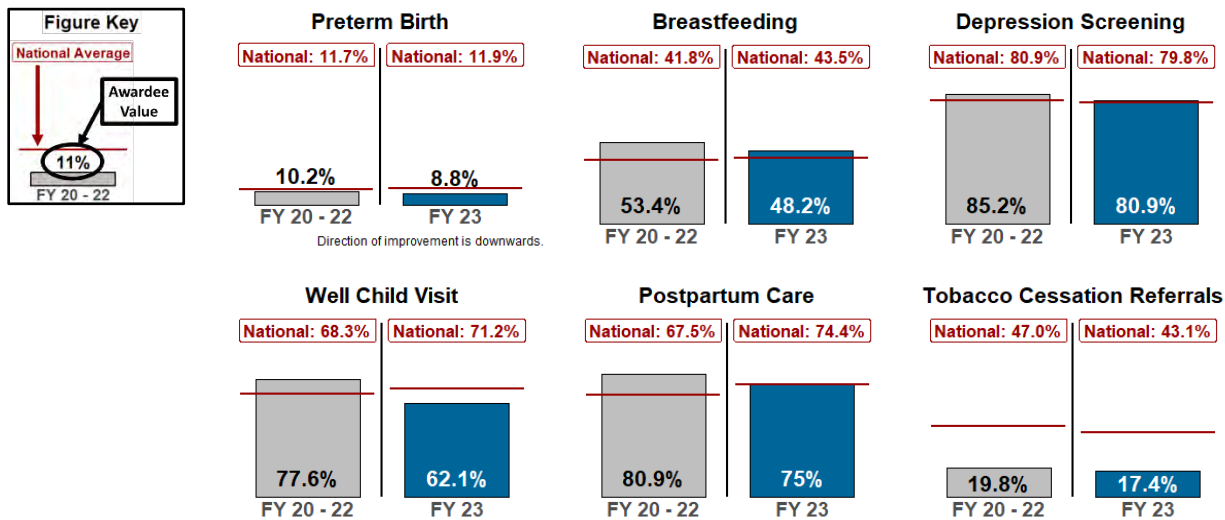
- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening:** 90.8% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment. IPV is associated with adverse physical and mental health outcomes. Children exposed to IPV are at a higher risk of abuse and neglect and may be more likely to experience certain health and behavioral problems, such as elevated blood pressure, sleep issues, anxiety, and depression.
- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 88.5% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis. Children who are spoken to frequently by their caregivers have larger vocabularies and literacy skills, which are linked to later academic, social, and cognitive functioning.

<sup>1</sup> HRSA awarded ARP ([American Rescue Plan Act](#)) funds to current MIECHV awardees to address the needs of families in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

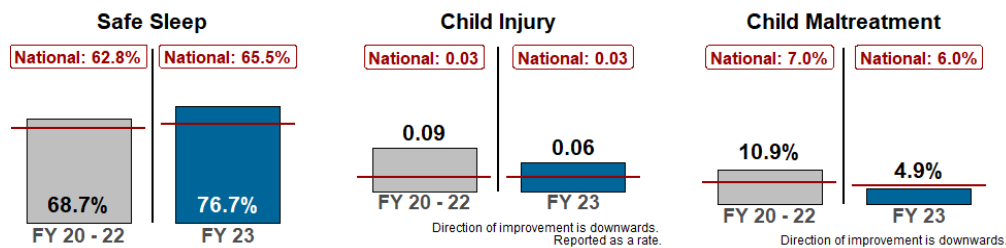
<sup>2</sup> These counties were served by MIECHV formula funds, ARP funds, or both.

# Delaware MIECHV Performance Data Compared to National MIECHV Averages

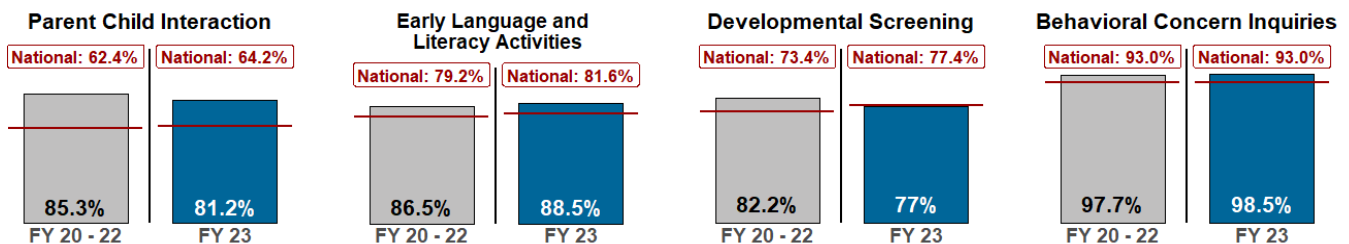
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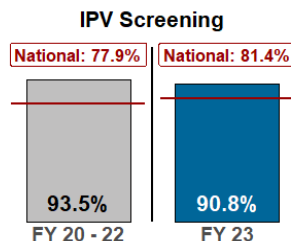
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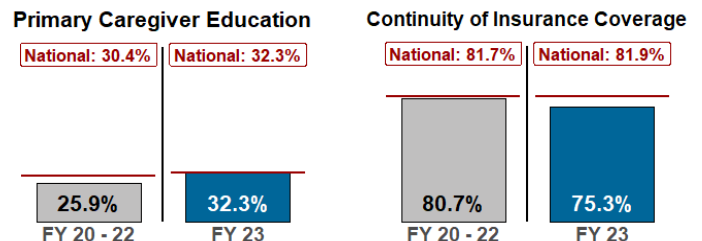
## Benchmark Area 3: School Readiness and Achievement



## Benchmark Area 4: Crime or Domestic Violence



## Benchmark Area 5: Family Economic Self Sufficiency



## Benchmark Area 6: Coordination and Referrals

