

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

supports the [Pennsylvania 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 outcomes¹.

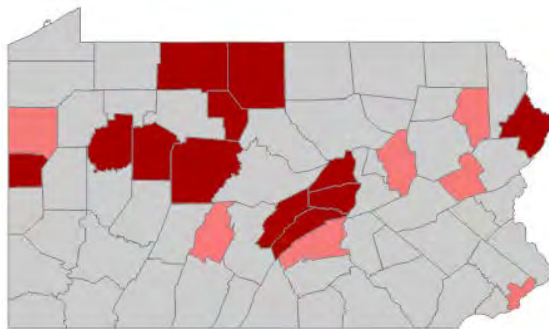
Pennsylvania MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

Rural counties by Funding Source:

■ MIECHV: Cameron, Clarion, Clearfield, Jefferson, Juniata, Lawrence, McKean, Mifflin, Pike, Potter, Snyder, Union

Non-rural counties by Funding Source:

■ MIECHV: Blair, Carbon, Columbia, Lackawanna, Mercer, Perry, Philadelphia



Participants
5,497

Households
2,616

Home Visits
24,048

Pennsylvania Prioritizes Community Needs

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

- **66.4%** of households were at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines
- **4.9%** of households included a pregnant enrollee under age 21

Pennsylvania 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 2020, the Pennsylvania MIECHV program successfully met the requirements for demonstration of improvement by improving in 5 of the 6 MIECHV [benchmark areas](#).

FY 2022 Performance Highlights Include:

- **Postpartum Care:** 85.1% of mothers enrolled in home visiting received a postpartum visit with a healthcare provider within 8 weeks of delivery. Many maternal deaths occur in the postpartum period and are considered preventable with appropriate follow-up care – the CDC has found that 66 percent of postpartum deaths are preventable.
- **Staff Retention:** Pennsylvania offered all home visitors a 2 year subscription to the Healthy Minds@Work! App to support their wellbeing. The Healthy Minds Program is a guided well-being app featuring hours of meditations and podcast style lessons.

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in PA

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

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

[Early Head Start-Home-Based Options](#)

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

[Child First](#)

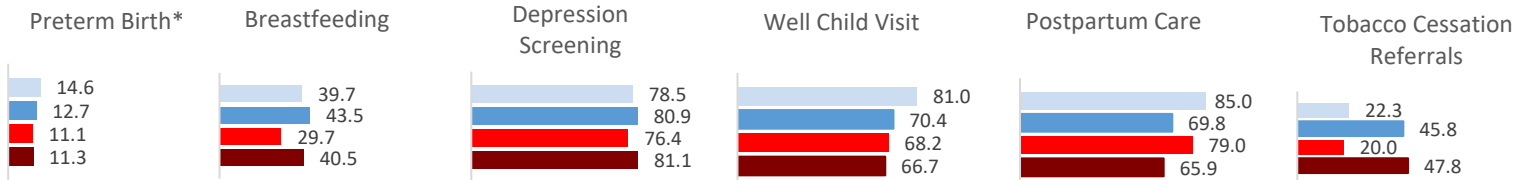
[Family Check-Up for Children](#)

[SafeCare Augmented](#)

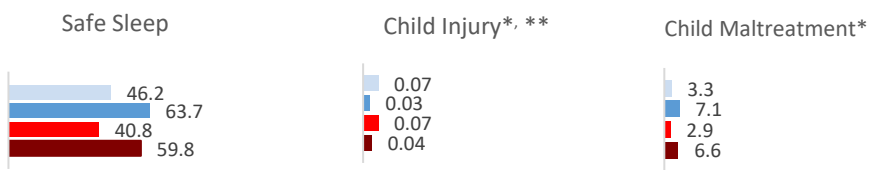
¹ HRSA awarded ARP [American Rescue Plan Act](#) funds to current MIECHV awardees to address the needs of families in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Pennsylvania MIECHV Performance Measurement Data Compared to MIECHV Averages²

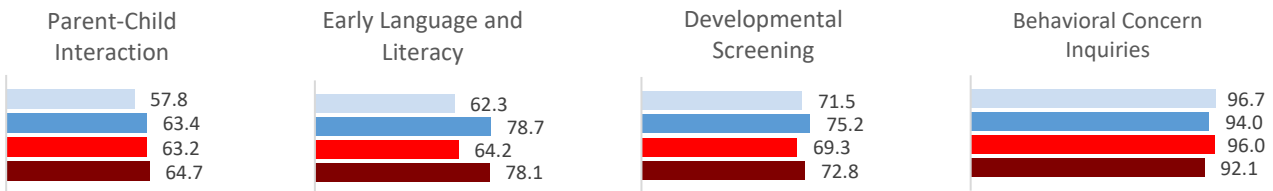
Benchmark Area 1 – Maternal and Newborn Health Outcomes



Benchmark Area 2 – Child Injuries, Abuse, Neglect, and Maltreatment and Emergency Department Visits

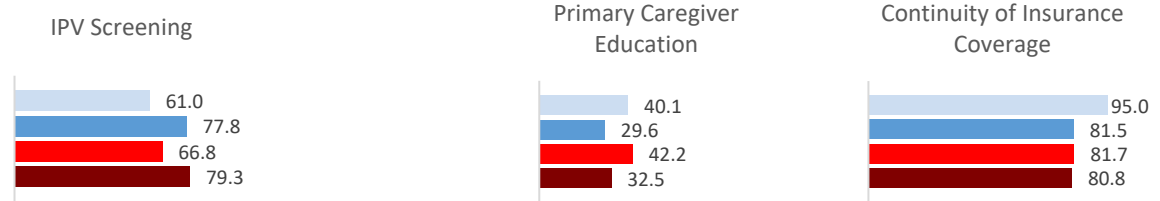


Benchmark Area 3 – School Readiness and Achievement

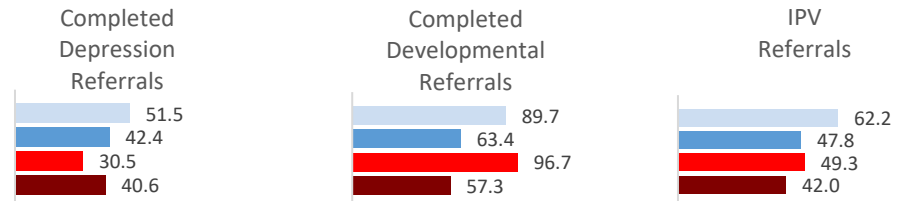


Benchmark Area 4 – Crime or Domestic Violence

Benchmark Area 5 – Family Economic Self-Sufficiency



Benchmark Area 6 – Coordination and Referrals for Other Community Resources and Supports



■ Pennsylvania MIECHV (FY 2022) ■ Pennsylvania MIECHV Rolling Average (FY 2019- FY 2021)
■ MIECHV National Average (FY 2022) ■ MIECHV National Rolling Average (FY 2019- FY 2021)

² Comparison to a three-year average minimizes the effects of outliers or potential data reporting issues specific to one year.
 * Direction for improvement in performance is downwards. **Child Injury reported as a rate