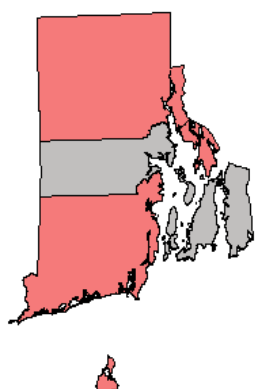


HRSA's Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program

supports the [Rhode Island Home Visiting Program](#) and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting programs for expectant and new parents with children through kindergarten entry age living in communities that are at-risk for poor maternal and child health outcomes¹.

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

Rhode Island MIECHV Program At-a-Glance



■ Rural Counties²:

None

■ Non-Rural Counties²:

Bristol, Providence, Washington

Participants

2,650

Households

1,338

Home Visits

15,562

Rhode Island Prioritizes Community Needs

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

- **94%** of households were at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and **73.1%** were at or below 100% of those guidelines.
- **3.6%** of households included a pregnant enrollee under age 21

Rhode Island 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 Rhode Island MIECHV program successfully met the requirements for demonstration of improvement by improving in all 6 [benchmark areas](#).

FY 2023 Performance Highlights Include:

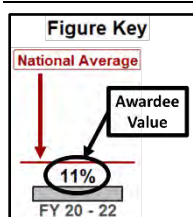
- **Redesigned Marketing Campaign:** With support from the Family Visiting Parent/Caregiver Advisory Council, Love that Baby campaign images and messaging were updated to promote the Rhode Island MIECHV Program and encourage enrollment.
- **Program Sustainability:** As of October 2023, the Rhode Island MIECHV program has begun billing Medicaid to support program sustainability with all of the models they implement: Healthy Families America (HFA), Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP), and Parents as Teachers (PAT).

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.

² These counties were served by MIECHV formula funds, ARP funds, or both.

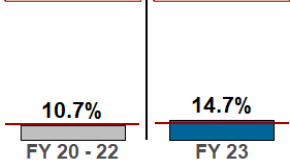
Rhode Island MIECHV Performance Data Compared to National MIECHV Averages

Benchmark Area 1: Maternal and Newborn Health Outcomes



Preterm Birth

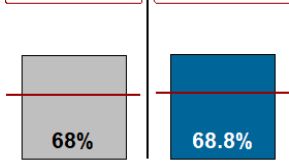
National: 11.7% National: 11.9%



Direction of improvement is downwards.

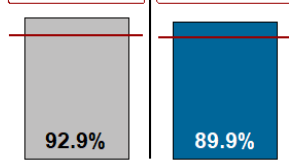
Breastfeeding

National: 41.8% National: 43.5%



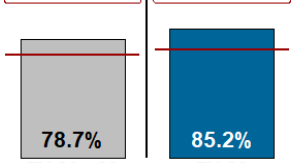
Depression Screening

National: 80.9% National: 79.8%



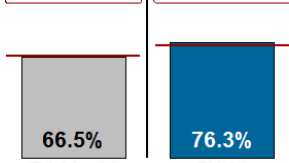
Well Child Visit

National: 68.3% National: 71.2%



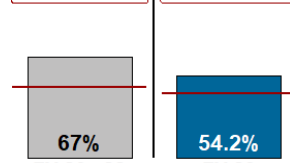
Postpartum Care

National: 67.5% National: 74.4%



Tobacco Cessation Referrals

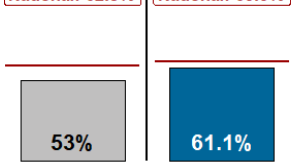
National: 47.0% National: 43.1%



Benchmark Area 2: Child Injuries, Maltreatment, and Emergency Department Visits

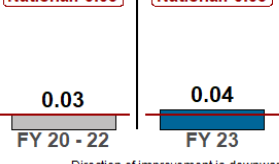
Safe Sleep

National: 62.8% National: 65.5%



Child Injury

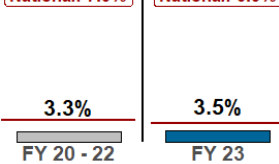
National: 0.03 National: 0.03



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Child Maltreatment

National: 7.0% National: 6.0%

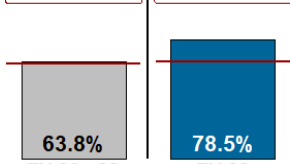


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Benchmark Area 3: School Readiness and Achievement

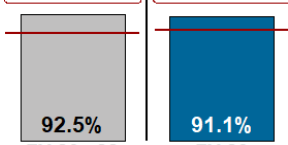
Parent Child Interaction

National: 62.4% National: 64.2%



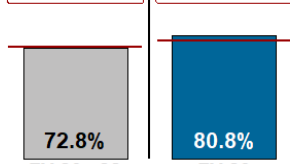
Early Language and Literacy Activities

National: 79.2% National: 81.6%



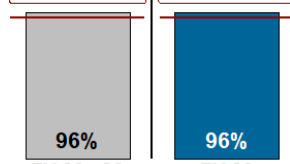
Developmental Screening

National: 73.4% National: 77.4%



Behavioral Concern Inquiries

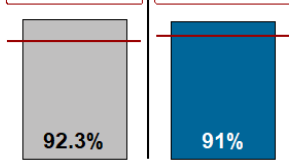
National: 93.0% National: 93.0%



Benchmark Area 4: Crime or Domestic Violence

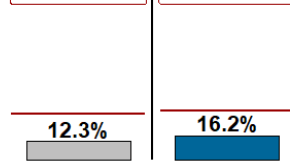
IPV Screening

National: 77.9% National: 81.4%



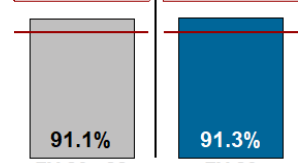
Primary Caregiver Education

National: 30.4% National: 32.3%



Continuity of Insurance Coverage

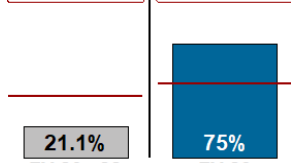
National: 81.7% National: 81.9%



Benchmark Area 6: Coordination and Referrals

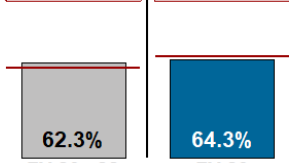
Completed Depression Referrals

National: 40.4% National: 49.1%



Completed Developmental Referrals

National: 58.8% National: 66.5%



Completed IPV Referrals

National: 42.4% National: 48.2%

