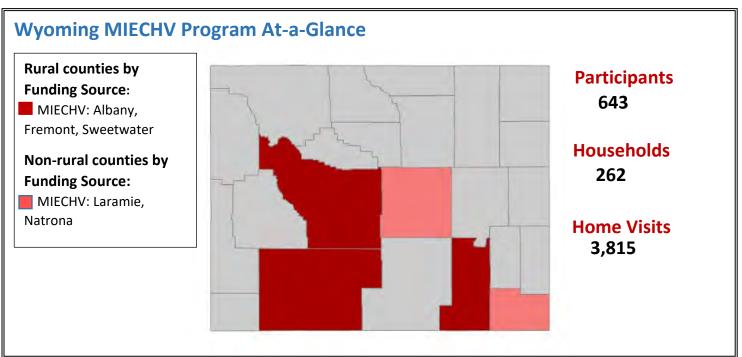
# **Wyoming MIECHV Program FY 2022**



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

supports the Wyoming 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>.



## **Wyoming Prioritizes Community Needs**

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

- 57.9% of households were at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines
- 3.4% of households included a pregnant enrollee under age 21

## **Wyoming 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

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Wyoming

Parents as Teachers (PAT)

Wyoming MIECHV program successfully met the requirements for demonstration of improvement by improving in 5 of the 6 MIECHV benchmark areas.

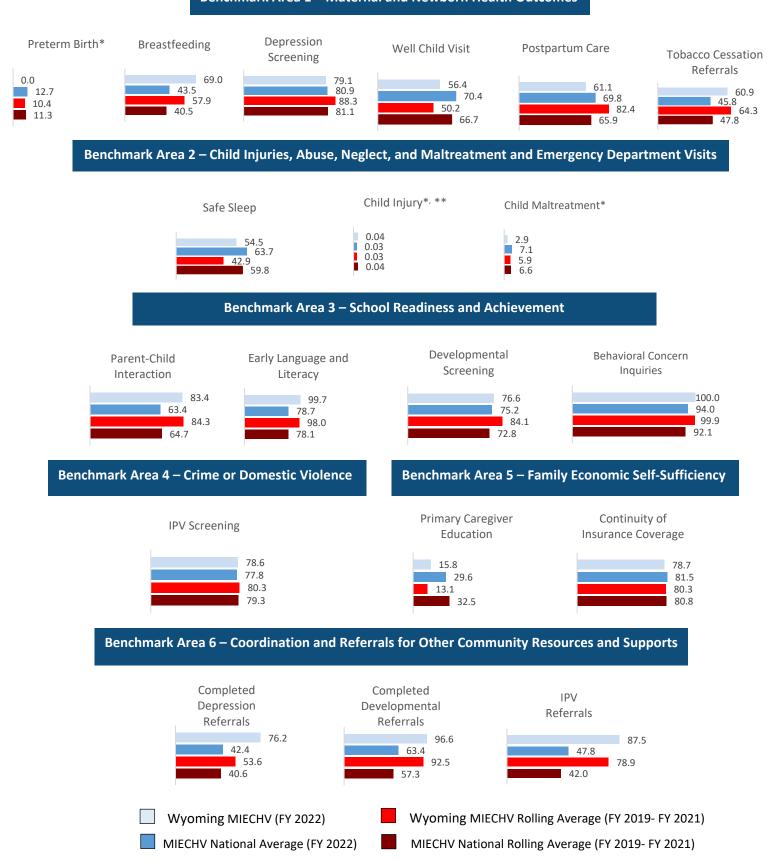
#### FY 2022 Performance Highlights Include:

- Early Language and Literacy Activities: 99.7% 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.
- Caregiver Depression Intervention: Local Administering Agencies were able to increase depression referrals by adding Mothers and Babies to visits. It is a research-based depression intervention and prevention curriculum that bridged the gap in services and stigma in the communities they serve.

<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.

## Wyoming 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.

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