

## ***Division of Maternal and Child Health Workforce Development (DMCHWD) Fact Sheet***

### **ABOUT THE DMCHWD**

DMCHWD, part of the Health Resources and Services Administration's Maternal and Child Health Bureau, provides national leadership and direction in educating and training our nation's current and future leaders in maternal and child health (MCH). The Division also provides leadership through state and community-based capacity building programs.

Special emphasis is placed on the development and implementation of interprofessional, family-centered, community-based and culturally competent systems of care across the entire life course.

DMCHWD supports programs established in federal legislation ([Title V of the Social Security Act](#), the [Autism CARES Act](#), and the [21st Century CURES Act](#)) to complement state and local health agency efforts. DMCHWD partners with state MCH programs, academic institutions, professional organizations, and other health training programs of the federal government to ensure that MCH workforce development programs are grounded in emerging and evidence-based practices.

In FY 2016, DMCHWD awarded 161 grants, an investment of approximately \$47 million.



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### **MCH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

DMCHWD supports a continuum of training investments to develop MCH leaders at the undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate levels in the areas of public health, clinical practice, MCH teaching, research, and/or administration/policy making.

DMCHWD also supports programs specifically focused on continuing education and professional development to address the ongoing training needs for practicing MCH professionals.

### **HEALTHY TOMORROWS PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM**

The Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children grant program supports community-based partnerships and collaborations aimed at improving the health status of disadvantaged children, youth, and their families nationwide by increasing their access to health services.

### **PEDIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH CARE ACCESS PROGRAM**

The Pediatric Mental Health Care Access (PMHCA) program promotes behavioral health integration in pediatric primary care by supporting the development of statewide or regional pediatric mental health care telehealth access programs. These programs provide tele-consultation, training, technical assistance, and care coordination for pediatric primary care providers to diagnose, treat and refer children with behavioral health conditions.

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## PROGRAM IMPACT

### MCH Training Programs

In FY 2016, MCH training programs trained:

- 2,205 long-term trainees,
- 6,469 medium-term trainees, and
- 27,346 short-term trainees.

Additionally, MCH training programs offered continuing education trainings to over 270,000 participants.

In FY 2016, of MCH training program graduates (5 years following completion of program):

- 81% were engaged in work related to MCH populations,
- 88% demonstrated field leadership, and
- 78% were working in an interdisciplinary manner to serve the MCH population.

### Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Program

By July 2019, 21 states will have PMHCA programs. Awardees will report outcome data annually, including:

- Number and types of referrals provided to children and adolescents who screen positive for a behavioral health disorder to the pediatric mental health team (including by telehealth).
- Number of children and adolescents served by pediatric primary care providers who contacted the pediatric mental health team (including by telehealth).

### Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

There are 40 current projects in 22 states. Since 1989, the program has awarded approximately \$74 million to fund 296 projects in 48 states, and D.C., Puerto Rico, and Guam. 91% of former Healthy Tomorrows grantees have sustained their projects five or more years after HRSA/MCHB funding ended.

## PROGRAMS

### Programs for the Practicing MCH Workforce

- Children's Healthy Weight Collaborative Improvement & Innovation Network (CoIIN)
- Collaborative Office Rounds (COR)
- MCH Navigator
- MCH Workforce Development Center
- Reaching Practicing MCH Professionals in Underserved Areas through Education and Training Program

### Undergraduate and Graduate Education Programs to Educate the Next Generation of MCH Leaders

- Centers of Excellence in MCH Education, Science, and Practice Program
- Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics (DBP)
- Leadership Education in Adolescent Health (LEAH)
- Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND)
- MCH Nutrition
- MCH Pipeline
- MCH Public Health Catalyst Program
- Pediatric Pulmonary Centers (PPC)

### State and Community-Based Program

- Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program (HTPCP)
- Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Program (PMHCA)

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