

state profile

A Snapshot of how the Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Works in Your State

Puerto Rico

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2023

The Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant, Title V of the Social Security Act, is the only federal program devoted to improving the health of all women, children, and families. In Fiscal Year 2021, 92% of all pregnant women, 98% of infants, and 58% of children nationwide benefitted from a Title V-supported service. To learn more about Title V, visit www.amchp.org.

| MCH Block Grant Funds to Puerto Rico | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| FY 2020 | \$15,856,806 |
| FY 2021 | \$15,906,262 |
| FY 2022 | \$16,136,271 |

^{*}States must provide a \$3 match for every four Federal dollars allocated.

Puerto Rico Expenditures Funding by Source in FY 2021



Percentage Served by the Puerto Rico MCH Program*

| 99.8% | Pregnant women |
|-------|---|
| 78.3% | Infants under one |
| 29.6% | Children and adolescents |
| 27.1% | Children with special health care needs |
| 36.2% | Others |

*2021 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau



State spotlight: Maternal Health

To promote the health and wellbeing of women of reproductive age, as well as to improve birth outcomes, the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Program (MCAHP) continues to offer education and support to women on topics such as oral health, prenatal care, pregnancy health, preconceptive health, mental health, and preventive medical health. The MCHAP offers services mainly by the Home Visiting Program (HVP), staffed by the Home Visiting Nurses (HVNs). The HVP is designed to offer holistic case management, care coordination, support and education services to pregnant and parenting persons, their children up to age 2, and their families. In addition, the HVP reacts to emerging threats or needs and incorporates the response into the screening and intervention accordingly. The Community Outreach Program, staffed by the Community Health Workers (CHWs) and Health Educators (HEs), provide community health education, and offer prenatal and parenting courses targeted at parents of children 0-5 years old and parents of children aged 6-11 years old on healthy eating,

Current Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS)

Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS) funding complements the formula funding each state receives and helps ensure the success of state Title V, Medicaid, and CHIP programs by driving innovation, responding to emerging and entrenched issues, and building capacity for integrated systems of care for women, children, and families.

State Systems Development Initiative

Puerto Rico Department of Health, San Juan, PR (PR-At Large)

Additional links and ways to contact AMCHP:

The Puerto Rico Department of Health, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Division and Children with Special Medical Needs Division uses Title V funds to protect and improve the health of Puerto Rico's women, children, and families.

For additional information about the Title V MCH Block Grant in your state, visit https://mchb.tvisdata.hrsa.gov/.

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