

Vermont

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2023

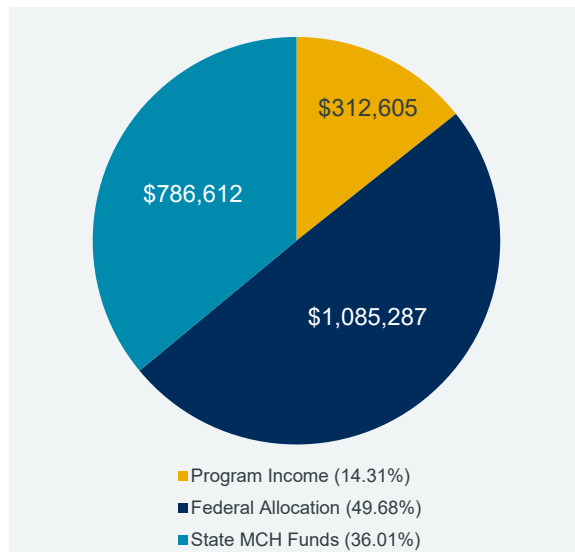
The Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant, Title V of the Social Security Act, is the only federal program devoted to improving the health of all women, children, and families. In Fiscal Year 2021, 92% of all pregnant women, 98% of infants, and 58% of children nationwide benefitted from a Title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

MCH Block Grant Funds to Vermont

FY 2020	\$1,653,060
FY 2021	\$1,656,553
FY 2022	\$1,653,893

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

Vermont Expenditures Funding by Source in FY 2021



Percentage Served by the Vermont MCH Program*

83.1%	Pregnant women
89.5%	Infants under one
98.0%	Children and adolescents
98.0%	Children with special health care needs
2.9%	Others

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

State spotlight: Newborn Screening

The Vermont Newborn Screening Program achieves quality outcomes for dried bloodspot screening and follow-up. Newborns with out-of-range newborn screening results receive follow up screening, diagnostic workup, and referral as appropriate. Metabolic clinic follow-up and genetics services are provided through a contract with the Vermont Children's Hospital at The University of Vermont Medical Center. In 2019 Vermont added four new conditions to the screening panel in accordance with the national Recommended Uniform Screening Panel (RUSP); Mucopolysaccharidosis Type I (MPS-I), Pompe Disease, Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA), and X-Linked Adrenoleukodystrophy (X-ALD). Vermont is currently exploring the feasibility of adding Guanidinoacetate methyltransferase deficiency (GAMT deficiency) and Mucopolysaccharidosis Type II (MPS II) to align with the national RUSP. Universal Newborn Hearing Screening is implemented at all birth hospitals. Vermont works collaboratively and successfully with midwives and primary care providers to assure that hearing and metabolic screening are completed for home-birthing babies as well. The Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Program collaborates with audiologists to ensure timely follow up for diagnostic evaluations and referral into early intervention for infants diagnosed as Deaf, Hard of Hearing or DeafBlind. Expanded follow-up screening is supported by the efforts of the Vermont Early Hearing Detection and Intervention program, primary care providers, Head Start and two Children's Integrated Services (CIS) offices.

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

Vermont Agency of Human Services, Waterbury, VT (*VT-At Large*)

Additional links and ways to contact AMCHP:

The Vermont Department of Health, Division of Family and Child Health uses Title V funds to invest in people, relationships, communities and policies to build a healthier Vermont for future generations. To be inclusive of all Vermonters, the Division of Maternal and Child Health changed its' name to Family and Child Health. Using the word "family" helps us to more sensitively serve parents who are not women (trans, non-binary, gender non-conforming parents and fathers/male parents), to acknowledge the important role of kin and caregivers, and to advance equity.

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

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