State MCH Block Grant Needs Assessment
Conceptual Framework: An Overview
Needs Assessment:

• Essential to identify the most appropriate programs and policies to promote the health of women, children, adolescents, and their families
• A fundamental element of any program planning activity
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Conceptual Framework - Step 1

• Essential to the needs assessment process is to engage partners early on and throughout the process
• What we do in public health is ultimately about the public, it needs public buy in that a problem exists or about our solution to the problem
State MCH Block Grant Needs Assessment Conceptual Framework - Step 2

Major data sources:
- Population-based
- Surveillance systems
- Program data
- Public forums
State MCH Block Grant Needs Assessment Conceptual Framework - Step 3

MCH service levels:
• Direct services
• Enabling services
• Public health services and systems

HEALTH DOMAINS
1. Women/Maternal Health
2. Perinatal Infant Health
3. Child Health
4. Adolescent Health
5. CSHCN
6. Cross-cutting/Systems Building
- Select 7 to 10 priority areas
- Areas should lead to improved outcomes
- Use successful models conducted by other states
State MCH Block Grant Needs Assessment Conceptual Framework - Step 5

- National Outcome Measures (NOMs)
- National Performance Measures (NPMs)
- Evidence-based or-informed Strategy Measures (ESMs)
- State Performance Measures (SPMs)
State MCH Block Grant Needs Assessment Conceptual Framework - Step 6

Five-year state action plan table
- Priority needs
- Key strategies
- measures for each of the MCH health domains

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State MCH Block Grant Needs Assessment Conceptual Framework - Step 7

Inputs
• Five-year state action plan
• Current budgets
• Political priorities
• Partnerships

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Steps:
1. Engage Partners
2. Assess Needs; Identify Outcomes
3. Examine Strengths and Capacity
4. Select Priorities
5. Set Performance Objectives
6. Develop Action Plan
7. Seek and Allocate Resources
8. Monitor Progress
9. Report Back to Stakeholders
10. Strengthen Partnerships and Improved Outcomes
State MCH Block Grant Needs Assessment Conceptual Framework - Step 8

Inputs
- NOMs
- NPMs
- SPMs
- ESMs
- Performance objectives
- Quantitative and quantitative information

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- Accountability to stakeholders
- Strategic thinking around dissemination
- Recommendations for action

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