Delaware

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2024

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 2022, 93% of all pregnant women, 99% of infants, and 61% of children nationwide benefitted from a Title V-supported service. To learn more about Title V, visit www.amchp.org.

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<th>MCH Block Grant Funds to Delaware</th>
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*States must provide a $3 match for every four Federal dollars allocated.

Delaware Expenditures Funding by Source in FY 2022

Percentage Served by the Delaware MCH Program*

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*2022 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau
State spotlight: Guaranteed Basic Income

Delaware is investing in social determinants of health efforts, which will remain a priority for the first state. Delaware’s Guaranteed Basic Income (GBI) pilot program is designed to help vulnerable pregnant women improve birth outcomes and provide aid to mothers during their infant’s early months. Women enrolled must fall below the federal poverty level, be in their 1st or 2nd trimester of pregnancy, and live in a designated high-risk zip code to qualify. GBI isn’t a handout, rather it’s a “helping hand.” As part of the pilot program, 40 women received the monthly income of $1,000 over a 24-month period. They could use that income for food, transportation, education, rent, baby supplies, and other essentials. The women voluntarily participated in evaluations every three months offering feedback on the program that helped organizers understand what was and was not working, and why. Additionally, all women were offered various wraparound services, such as meeting with a case worker, a financial coach, and career team.

The outcomes for these women were remarkable - a 324% return on investment! The women who took part in this GBI program were followed extensively, and the data gathered over the 24-month period shows outstanding results. Among the many positive outcomes: $229,520 in reduced hospital stays, $21,600 in reduced ED visits, 50% of the monthly stipend went directly toward groceries/food/household items/basic needs/gas/auto/transportation, 89% of the participating moms received prenatal care and 81% of their babies had no complications at birth. This program showed us that when you empower pregnant women by putting them in driver’s seat with how they utilize resources to meet their needs, they will change the health trajectory of their, and their babies’ lives for the better.

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
Executive Office of the Governor of Delaware, Dover, DE (DE-At Large)

Additional links and ways to contact AMCHP:

The Delaware Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Social Services uses Title V funds to protect and improve the health of Delaware’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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