

Northern Mariana Islands

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2024

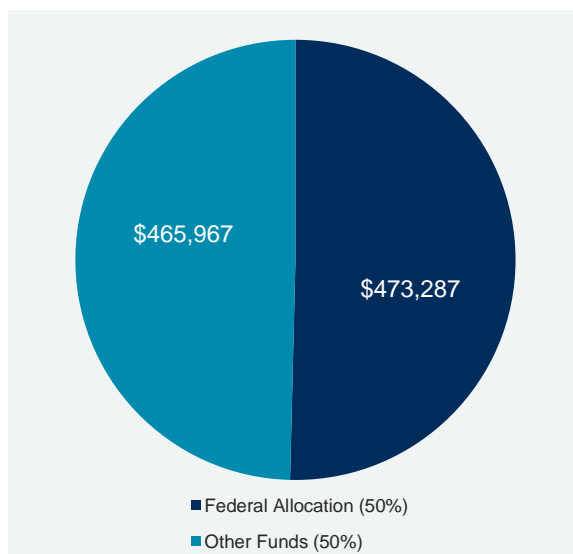
The Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant, Title V of the Social Security Act, is the only federal program devoted to improving the health of all women, children, and families. In Fiscal Year 2022, 93% of all pregnant women, 99% of infants, and 61% of children nationwide benefitted from a Title V-supported service. To learn more about Title V, visit www.amchp.org.

MCH Block Grant Funds to Northern Mariana Islands

FY 2020	\$465,091
FY 2021	\$466,540
FY 2022	\$473,287

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

Northern Mariana Islands Expenditures Funding by Source in FY 2022



Percentage Served by the Northern Mariana Islands MCH Program*

- 100.0%** Pregnant women
- 100.0%** Infants under one
- 100.0%** Children and adolescents
- 100.0%** Children with special health care needs
- 100.0%** Others

*2022 State/Jurisdiction Annual Reports Submitted to the Maternal and Child Health Bureau

State spotlight: Newborn Screening

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Newborn Screening Program ensures that all babies are screened for certain serious conditions at birth. For babies identified with a condition, it allows medical providers to start treatment to prevent harmful effects. The CNMI has seen tremendous success in improving the rate of newborn bloodspot screenings conducted for babies born in the territory. In 2022, almost all babies born in the CNMI (99.8%) had received a newborn bloodspot screening after birth. This number greatly contrasts with just five years ago when less than half (41.8%) of all babies born were screened. The improvements made in the CNMI Newborn Screening Program resulted from the effective partnerships between the CNMI Title V MCH Program, the CHCC Pediatrics Department Chairperson, the CHCC Laboratory Department, and the Oregon Public Health Laboratory. MCH Title V funds are used to support the cost associated with timely shipping the blood specimens to the Oregon Department of Public Health Laboratory, and MCH staff are assigned to ensure procurement of the needed shipping and supplies, monitor screening results, and coordinate follow-up and referrals for treatment of babies identified through the program.

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.

Maternal and Child Health Data System Linkage and Training Initiative

Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation, Saipan, MP (*MP-At Large*)

Additional links and ways to contact AMCHP:

The Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation uses Title V funds to protect and improve the health of the Northern Mariana Islands' 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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