

Massachusetts

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2024

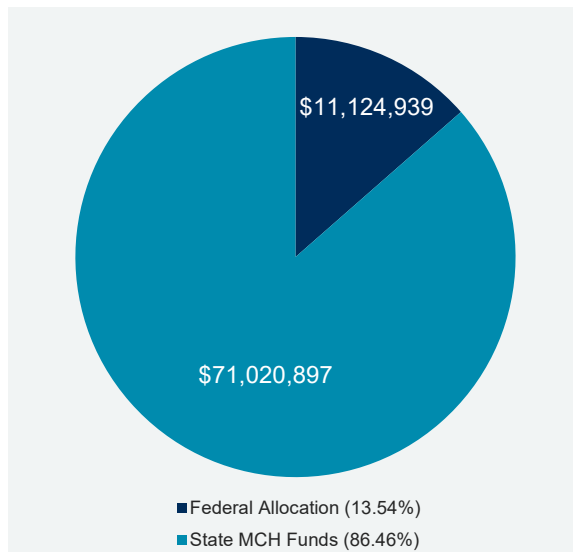
The Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant, Title V of the Social Security Act, is the only federal program devoted to improving the health of all women, children, and families. In Fiscal Year 2022, 93% of all pregnant women, 99% of infants, and 61% of children nationwide benefitted from a Title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

MCH Block Grant Funds to Massachusetts

FY 2020	\$11,151,272
FY 2021	\$11,137,523
FY 2022	\$12,469,248

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

Massachusetts Expenditures Funding by Source in FY 2022



Percentage Served by the Massachusetts MCH Program*

100.0%	Pregnant women
99.1%	Infants under one
65.0%	Children and adolescents
65.0%	Children with special health care needs
1.6%	Others

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

State spotlight: Improving Access to Quality Doula Care

The Doula Initiative aims to eliminate racial health inequities and promote positive outcomes for all birthing families by building out a community-based doula workforce that is reflective of the communities they serve. In July 2021, the Department of Public Health (DPH) conducted an environmental scan of national and international Doula training programs and free and low-cost trainings for Doulas, as well as key informant interviews with other states with Doula programs. Furthermore, as key collaborators from its inception, the state Medicaid program, MassHealth, continues to partner with DPH to achieve shared goals. DPH developed an advisory group to ensure Doulas' voices were centered in all aspects of planning around the doula workforce. The advisory group informed the development of core competencies for doula credentialing and pathways to certification. This model is reflected in MassHealth's doula benefit, which rolled out in late 2023. DPH strives for universal coverage of doula services to improve the health of birthing people and their families.

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.

Adolescent Health Training Program

Children's Hospital, Boston, MA (MA-08)

Child and Adolescent Injury and Violence Prevention Resource Centers

Education Development Center, Waltham, MA (MA-05)

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

Children's Hospital, Boston, MA (MA-07)

Maternal and Child Health Training Grant

Harvard College, Boston, MA (MA-07)

MCH Leadership Education Program

Boston University, Boston, MA (MA-07)

State Maternal Health Innovation Program

MA Dept. of Public Health, Boston, MA (MA-08)

State Systems Development Initiative

MA Dept. of Public Health, Boston, MA (MA-08)

Support for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Prevention, Identification, and Intervention

Boston Medical Center, Boston, MA (MA-07)

Transforming Pediatrics for Early Childhood

MA Dept. of Public Health, Boston, MA (MA-08)

Additional links and ways to contact AMCHP:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Family Health and Nutrition uses Title V funds to protect and improve the health of Massachusetts' 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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