

# Vermont

## Maternal and Child Health Block Grant 2024

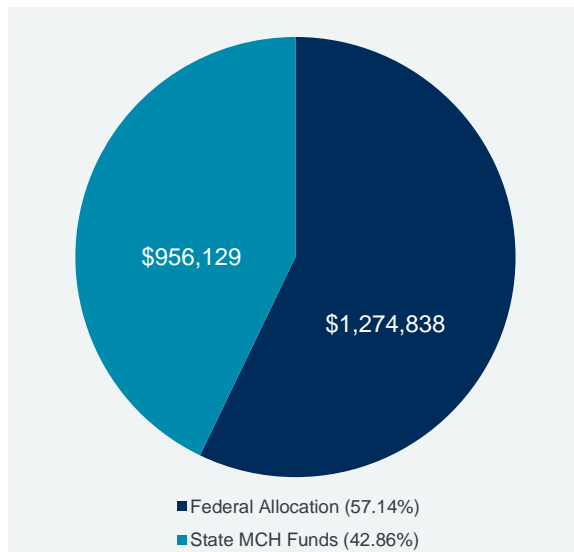
The Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant, Title V of the Social Security Act, is the only federal program devoted to improving the health of all women, children, and families. In Fiscal Year 2022, 93% of all pregnant people, 99% of infants, and 61% of children nationwide benefitted from a Title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



### Percentage Served by the Vermont MCH Program\*

82.7%	Pregnant people
99.4%	Infants under one
98.0%	Children and adolescents
98.0%	Children with special health care needs
2.6%	Others

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

## State spotlight: Health Equity and Community Partnership

The Vermont Title V Block Grant Program has made great strides in planning and implementing health equity and family partnership work. Our Division of Family and Child Health (FCH) has benefited from our integration of a full-time Health Equity Team Lead starting in Spring 2022 and a full-time Family and Community Partnerships Program Manager starting in Spring 2023. These positions help us to embed equity and community engagement principles and best practices into programmatic work to improve care and services to four priority populations identified in the State Health Improvement Plan: Vermonters with disabilities, LGBTQIA+ Vermonters, Vermonters of Color/of the Global Majority, and Vermonters living with low socio-economic status. “Equity is everyone’s work,” and we are proud of FCH’s increased capacity across programs to promote a fair and just opportunity for all Vermont children and families to be healthy and live in thriving communities.

Since Summer 2022, we have done some intentional work on LGBTQ+ inclusion and learning about gender identity. To be inclusive of all Vermonters, we changed our Division’s name to Family and Child Health. Using the word “family” helps us more sensitively serve parents who identify as trans, non-binary, or gender non-conforming, acknowledge the important role of kin and caregivers, and advance equity. We are not abandoning the word “maternal” or rejecting people who identify as women. We’re simply adding to our understanding of gender identity and cultural norms and staying true to our vision, which says that “strong, healthy families power our world.”

## 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, Burlington, VT (*VT-At Large*)

### Transforming Pediatrics for Early Childhood

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.

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

For additional information about AMCHP, visit [www.amchp.org](http://www.amchp.org) or contact Sherie Lou Santos, AMCHP Chief Government Affairs Officer, [ssantos@amchp.org](mailto:ssantos@amchp.org).

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