



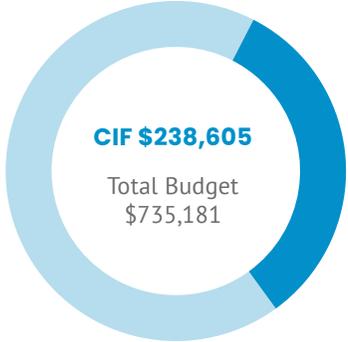
SERVICE AREAS

Maternal Child Health Home Visiting

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Home visiting services for pregnant women and families with babies up to age 1

Maternal Child Health Home Visiting is a strengths-based model connecting any Kansas family with infants to the resources they need to create a safe, stable, and nurturing home environment. Families receive individualized services before, during, and after pregnancy, with the frequency of visits and duration of services based on each family's needs. Home visitors act as a bridge for families in setting and reaching their parenting goals by sharing information about child development, health and safety, positive parenting behaviors; and by connecting to community-based resources, services, and supports as needed.



POPULATION	SERVED
Total Children	4,468
Prenatal to Age 2	4,468
Ages 2-5	0
Ages 5-12	0
Ages 12-18	0
Ages 18+	0
Caregivers	5,456
Professional Development	0

PARTNERS

- Local Health Departments
- Part C Programs
- Healthcare Providers
- Mental Health Centers
- Hospitals

- Community Health Centers
- Evidence Based Home Visiting Programs (Early Head Start, Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families America, Nurse Family Partnership)
- Community-based Organizations

WHAT IS THE PROGRAM'S IMPACT?

- Reduces the likelihood of child maltreatment by modeling positive parent-child interactions and connecting families to needed supports up to the child's first birthday
- Increases the number of healthy pregnancies and babies by educating expectant mothers about the importance of prenatal care, risks associated with tobacco use during pregnancy, and benefits of breastfeeding
- Ensures early detection of postpartum depression through regular screenings and referrals as necessary for treatment

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM MONITOR AND ENSURE QUALITY?

Home visitors are required to:

- Complete an orientation that includes online and in-person trainings on relevant topics (e.g. child abuse and neglect, healthy boundaries, safety for home visitors, and poverty)
- Shadow an experienced home visitor on at least two visits and conduct one visit accompanied by the program supervisor before providing services independently
- Create and adhere to an individual professional development plan for continuing education
- Participate in ongoing outreach activities to promote home visiting

70% Pregnant women initiated prenatal care in their first trimester

60 Home visiting sites and 76 counties with home visiting programs

80% Mothers did not smoke during pregnancy

68% Women reported initiating breastfeeding after delivery

68% Moms accepted services upon receiving a smoking cessation referral

