

2015 MCH/CYSHCN Program Parameters

The Title V Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Services Block Grant creates Federal-State-Local partnerships to develop state and local systems to meet the critical challenges facing women, children and families. Local health departments and tribal agencies are encouraged to work with community and state partners to achieve common program goals. The Program wants to assure coordination with Regional Centers for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) as appropriate. States are required to use at least 30% of Title V Block Grant funds for preventive and primary care programs serving children; and at least 30% of funds must support programs for children and youth with special health care needs.

Target Populations

The populations to be served are all infants and children, including children and youth with special health care needs, and expectant and parenting families with young children, with a special focus on those at risk for poor health outcomes.

State MCH Priorities

The 2011-2015 MCH priorities focus on: 1) reducing health disparities; 2) promoting medical home; 3) enhancing services for children and youth with special health care needs; 4) supporting optimal infant and child health, development and growth; 5) supporting optimal mental health and healthy relationships; 6) supporting optimal reproductive health and pregnancy planning; 7) ensuring preventive screenings, early identification and interventions; and 8) promoting safe and healthy communities.

The Wisconsin MCH Program's eight priorities emphasize life-long prevention, increased understanding of the impact of a community's physical, social, economics and environment on health and use of the life course framework. The priorities are not specific health risks or protective factors, but identify key areas to support and implement interventions that will target a myriad of factors as early as possible while acknowledging the role of families, health systems and communities on the risk and protective factors that may impact an individual's health.

CYSHCN Objectives

The Wisconsin MCH Title V Program continues to fund five Regional Centers for CYSHCN, Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council (GLITC) CYSHCN, and statewide hubs of expertise to address parent to parent support, family health leadership, access/health benefits counseling, medical home and youth health transition.

Objectives and activities advance six national performance measures for CYSHCN, strengthening parent leadership, medical homes, health insurance coverage, screening and identification, coordinated services and transition to adult life.

MCH Objectives

Local public health departments and tribal agencies continue to receive Title V MCH funds for objectives supporting Wisconsin Healthiest Families and Keeping Kids Alive.

Information is posted on the Early Childhood Systems webpage at www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/mch/EarlyChildhoodSystems/.

The objectives allow for flexibility, providing a framework for agencies to customize their objective work by completing the Input Activities. The work will be accomplished over multiple years with progressive steps negotiated annually. The steps include: 1) assessment, 2) planning, 3) implementation and 4) evaluation and sustainability. LHDs can use local community health assessments and surveillance data to identify community needs to support systematic program planning and policy development to implement activities focusing on system changes. If individual services are provided, these services must be negotiated and incorporated into the Early Childhood Systems work to support the Wisconsin Healthiest Families and Keeping Kids Alive initiatives.

Data Collection, Analysis and Reporting

Contractees funded with Title V MCH Block Grant dollars must use SPHERE (Secure Public Health Electronic Record Environment) to collect and analyze data as defined within the objective's Data Source for Measurement. Reporting requirements will be determined during contract negotiations and defined in the contract deliverable.

Match Requirement

Contractees must provide 75% match (\$0.75 local contribution for every \$1.00 federal) for all Title V MCH Block grant funds and report through the CARS system as described in the contract. Agencies that do not meet their MCH match requirements may be subject to repayment of awarded grant funds. Match is reported using the following profiles: Profile ID 193001 for CYSHCN Match and Profile ID 193002 for MCH Match.

Outreach and Promotion

All materials for public distribution developed by a contractee funded by the Title V MCH Block Grant must identify the funding source on the publication as follows: "Funded in part by the MCH Title V Services Block Grant, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services."

All agencies who receive MCH funds must provide a link to the MCH Hotline website at <http://www.mch-hotlines.org/> and are encouraged to provide the following hotline numbers on after hour phone lines as another resource available on a statewide level: MCH Hotline 1-800-722-2295 & Wisconsin First Step 1-800-722-2295.

MCH/CYSHCN Staff Contacts

See the Early Childhood Systems Contacts webpage for the MCH Program staff list at www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/mch/EarlyChildhoodSystems/Contacts.

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