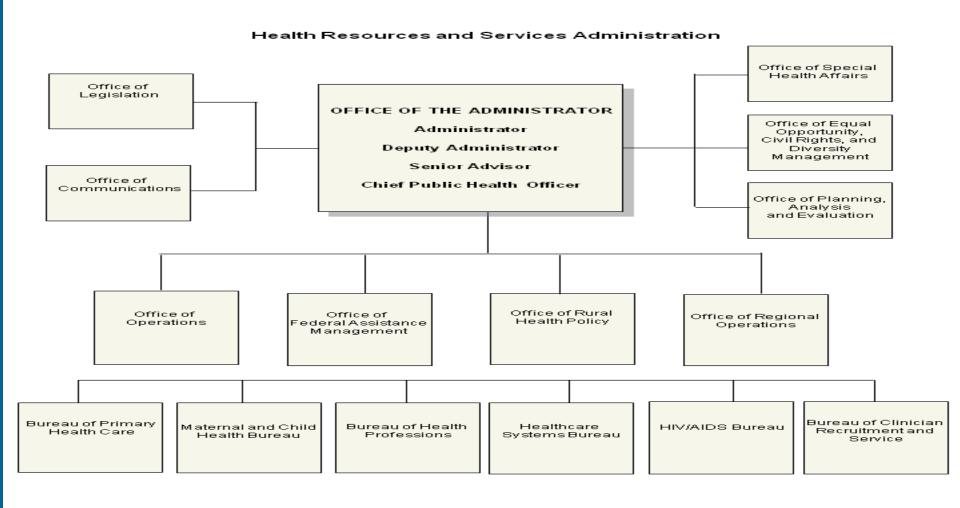
An Overview of Healthy Start

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The MCH Block Grant (Title V) States' Program 501(a)(1)(a-d)

- "Title V authorizes appropriations to states to improve the health of all mothers and children"
- "To provide and assure mothers and children...
 access to quality maternal and child health
 services"
- "To reduce infant mortality...preventable diseases and handicapping conditions among children... and increase number of...immunized children..."





The MCH Block Grant (Title V) States' Program 501(a)(1)(a-d)

- "To increase [the number of] low income children receiving health assessments and...diagnosis and treatment services"
- "Promote health...by providing prenatal, delivery, and postpartum care..."
- "Promote health of children by providing preventive and primary care services..."





Healthy Start





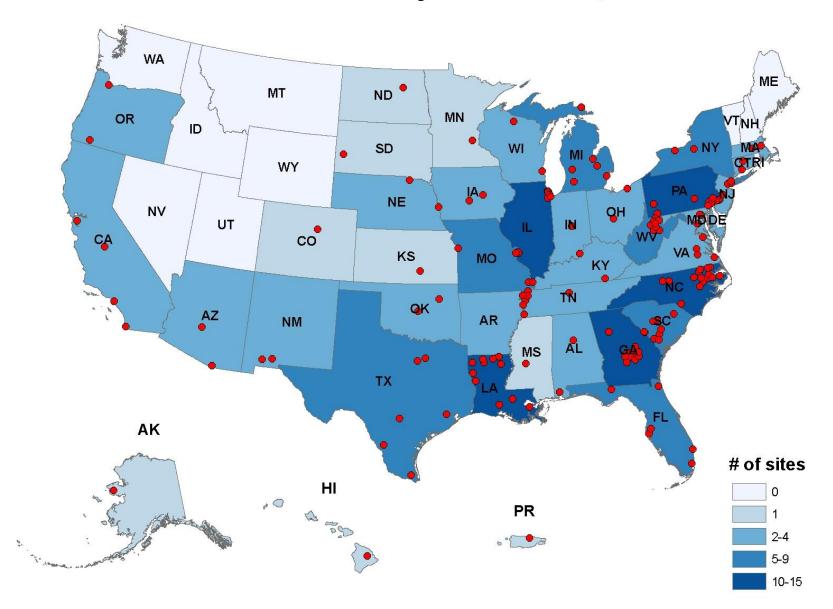
Where are we now?

- 39 States
- District of Columbia
- Puerto Rico
- Indigenous Populations
- Border Communities
- New Immigrants





Federal Healthy Start Sites, 2012



Infant Mortality Rate, 2005-2007 AK U.S. IMR: 6.8 per 1,000 4.9 in WA, UT -- 12.8 in DC MT ND OR MN ID SD W WY IA NE NV ОН UT IN IL CA CO KS MO NC 00 OK ΑZ AR NM AL GA MS TX IMR per 1,000 4.9 - 6.0 6.1 - 6.7 6.8 - 7.87.9 - 12.8

Authorization Language

- Factors that contribute to infant mortality
- Include a focus on Low Birthweight
- Community Based approach to delivery of services
- Comprehensive approach to women's health care to improve perinatal outcomes





HEALTHY START

Goals:

- Improve health care access and outcomes for (high risk) women and infants
- Promote healthy behaviors and reduce the causes of infant mortality





HEALTHY START'S ROLE IN ADDRESSING DISPARITIES

- Reduce the rate of Infant Mortality
- Eliminate disparities in perinatal health
- Implement innovative community-based interventions to support & improve perinatal delivery systems in project communities





HEALTHY START'S ROLE IN ADDRESSING DISPARITIES

 Assure that every participating woman & infant gains access to the health delivery system & is followed through the continuum of care

Provide strong linkages with the local & state perinatal system





TARGET AUDIENCE

Families Across the Lifespan -- particularly women of reproductive age and their infants

FOCI OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

- Risk Prevention/Reduction
- Health Promotion
- Infrastructure/Systems Building
- Programmatic Involvement of Women, Their Families (<u>Including Male Partners</u>) & Communities





HEALTHY START COMPONENTS

- <u>5 Core Services:</u> Outreach, case management, health education, screening for depression, and interconceptional continuity of care
- 4 Core Systems Building: Consumer and consortium involvement in policy formation and implementation, local health system action plan, collaboration with Title V, and sustainability





Core Interventions: Outreach

- <u>Definition:</u> Provision of case finding services that actively reach out into the community to recruit & retain Perinatal/interconceptional clients in a system of care
- Purpose: To identify, enroll & retain clients most in need of Healthy Start services





Core Interventions: Case Management

- <u>Definition:</u> Provision of services in a coordinated culturally sensitive approach through client assessment, referral, monitoring, facilitation, & follow-up on utilization of needed services
- Purpose: To coordinate services from multiple providers to assure that each family's individual needs are met to the extent resources are available, & the <u>client agrees</u> with the scope of planned services





Core Interventions: Health Education & Training

- <u>Definition:</u> Health education includes not only instructional activities & other strategies to change individual health behavior but also organizational efforts, policy directives, economic supports, environmental activities & community-level programs
- Purpose: The purpose of a health education campaign is to disseminate information with the goal of improving an audience's knowledge, attitudes, behaviors & practices regarding a particular area of health promotion





Core Interventions: Screening for Perinatal Depression

 A depressive disorder is defined as an illness that involves the body, mood and thoughts. It affects the way a person eats and sleeps, the way one feels about oneself and the way one thinks about things





INTERCONCEPTION CARE FOR WOMEN

- Outreach and case management (e.g., risk assessment, facilitation, monitoring) for women to assure they are enrolled in ongoing care (women's health/medical home) and are obtaining necessary referrals
- Availability of and access to a system of integrated and comprehensive services
- Health education (tied to identified needs includes attention to mental health, substance abuse, smoking, domestic violence, HIV and STDs)





Core System Intervention: Community Consortium

<u>Definition:</u> Individuals & organizations including, but not limited too, agencies responsible for administering block grant programs under Title V of the Social Security Act, consumers of project services, public health departments, hospitals, health centers under Section 330 (C/MHC, Homeless Rural) & other significant sources of health care services





Core System Intervention:

Local Health
System Action Plan

Definition:

A realistic, yet comprehensive plan of achievable steps within the four-five year funding period that will improve the functioning & capacity of the local health system for pregnant and parenting women and their families.





SUSTAINABILITY

Essential elements:

- Integrate activity into current funding sources
- Maximize third-party reimbursement
- Leverage other funding sources
- Funding sources may include State, local, private funding; in-kind contributions
- Use the consortium





Discretionary Grant Information System (DGIS)

www.mchdata.hrsa.gov





Program Participants

- Total Women Served: 30,759
 - 29,587 General Population
 - 1,172 Border Population

- African American
- White
- Hispanic/Latino
- Al/AN
- Asian

60.6 percent

20.4 percent

22.2 percent

3.3 percent

1.5 percent





Live Births to Participants

Total Number of Live Births: 38,075

African American 58.2 percent

White 19.6 percent

Hispanic/Latino
 24.8 percent

Al/AN
 3.9 percent

Asian1.6 percent

More than One Race 2.4 percent





Male Participants

Total Number of Males Served: 5,369

African American 61.5 percent

• White 19.3 percent

Hispanic
 11.8 percent

17 Years and Under 20.4 percent

18 Years and Over 67.8 percent





Interconceptional Care

Number of Women Receiving IC: 28,876

African American

Hispanic

White

Aged 20-23

Aged 24-34

63.2 percent

21.5 percent

19.7 percent

29.9 percent

39.2 percent





Major Services: Direct Health Care

Prenatal Care Visits 116,732

Well Baby Pediatric Visits 50,592

Postpartum Clinic Visits 20,725

Women's Health 26,157

Family Planning 22,541

Adolescent Health 18,937





Major Services: Enabling Services

•	lumber	of Fam	lilies	Served	74,	938
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- Case Managed Families (PNC) 30,677
- Case Managed Families (IC) 26,210
- Outreached Families (PNC) 26,397
- Outreached Families (IC) 19,271
- Home Visiting (PNC) 21,369
- Home Visiting (IC)
 20,530





Major Services: Enabling Services

•	Breastfeeding	Education	30,026
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- Pregnancy/Childbirth Education 23,759
- Parenting Skills 30,745
- Transportation 18,182
- Housing Assistance 6,814
- Job Training
 5,231
- Translation 3,268





Infrastructure Building

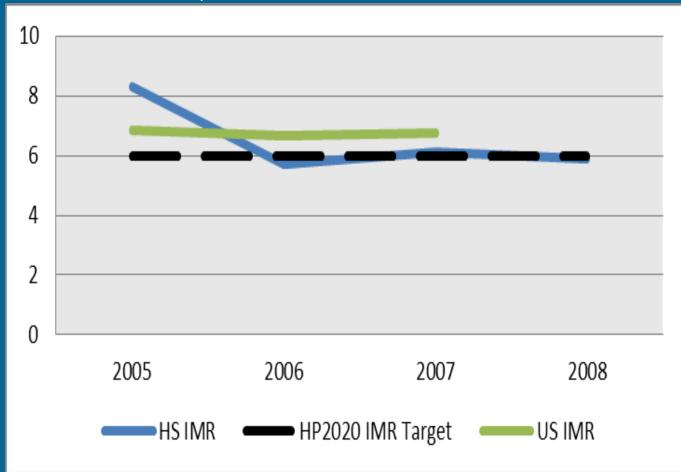
Consortia Training 13,517

Provider Training 10,860





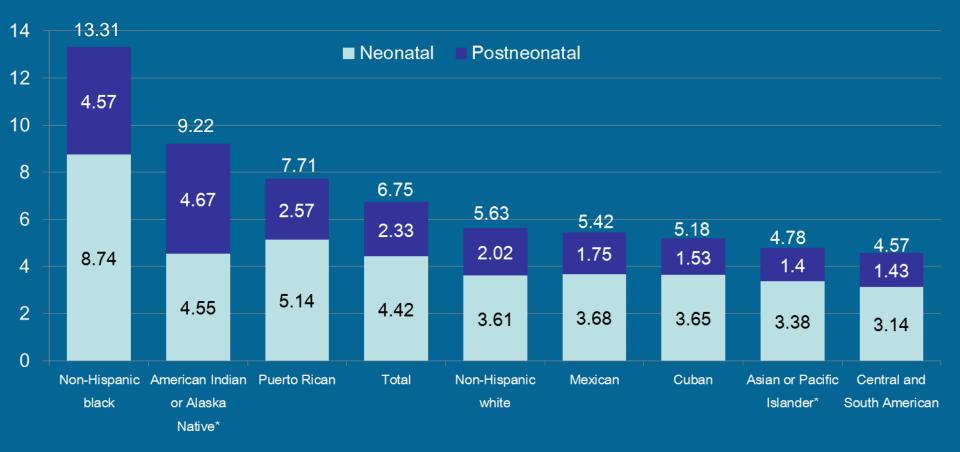
Healthy Start Program IMR per 1,000 Live Births







Infant, Neonatal and Postneonatal Mortality Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin of Mother: United States, 2007



NOTE: Neonatal is less than 28 days; Postneonatal is 28 days to less than 1 year. *Includes persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, 2007 Linked File





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Other Programs & Activities

- National Fetal & Infant Mortality Review Program
- Women's Health Initiatives
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Initiative
- First Time Motherhood/New Parents Initiative
- Community-Based Doula Program





TAKING CARE OF MOM: BRIGHT FUTURES FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH & WELLNESS

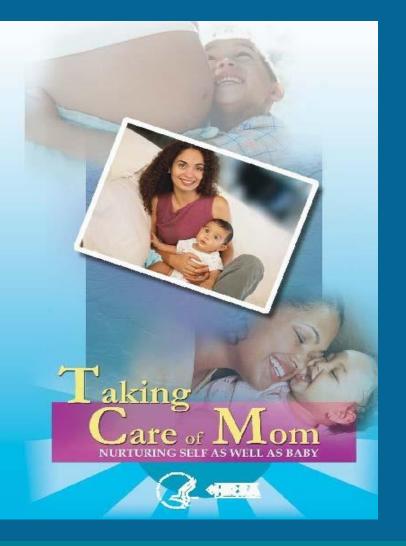


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This booklet is available at www.mchb.hrsa.gov/pregnancyandbeyond
Print copies can be obtained from the HRSA Information Center by calling 1-888-48k-HRSA

These tools are part of a series of materials called "Bright Futures for Women's Health and Wellness. These materials were developed by the the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau. The aim of the Bright Futures Initiative is to help women of all ages achieve better physical, mental, social, and spiritual health by encouraging healthy practices. More information about the Bright Futures Initiative is available at http://mchb.hrsa.gov/about/owhbf.htm



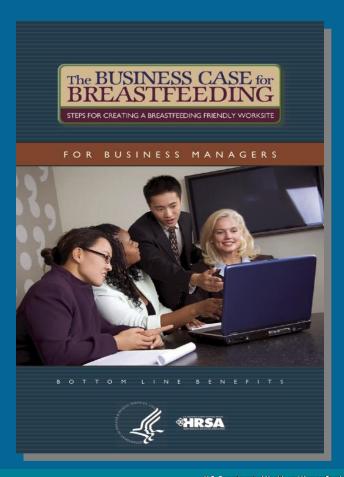




The Business Case for Breastfeeding

HRSA resource kit developed to improve lactation support in the workplace

Steps for creating a breastfeeding friendly workplace







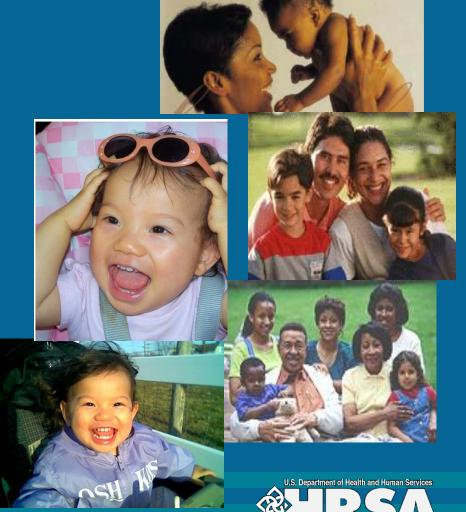
Healthy Women (Men)

Healthy Infants

Healthy Families

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