



**HEALTH RESOURCES AND  
SERVICES ADMINISTRATION  
MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BUREAU**

**HEALTHY START**

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# HEALTHY START

- Established as Presidential Initiative in 1991 to improve health care access and outcomes for women and infants, promote healthy behaviors and combat the causes of infant mortality



# HEALTHY START

- Authorizing Legislation - Title III, Section 330H of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254c-8)



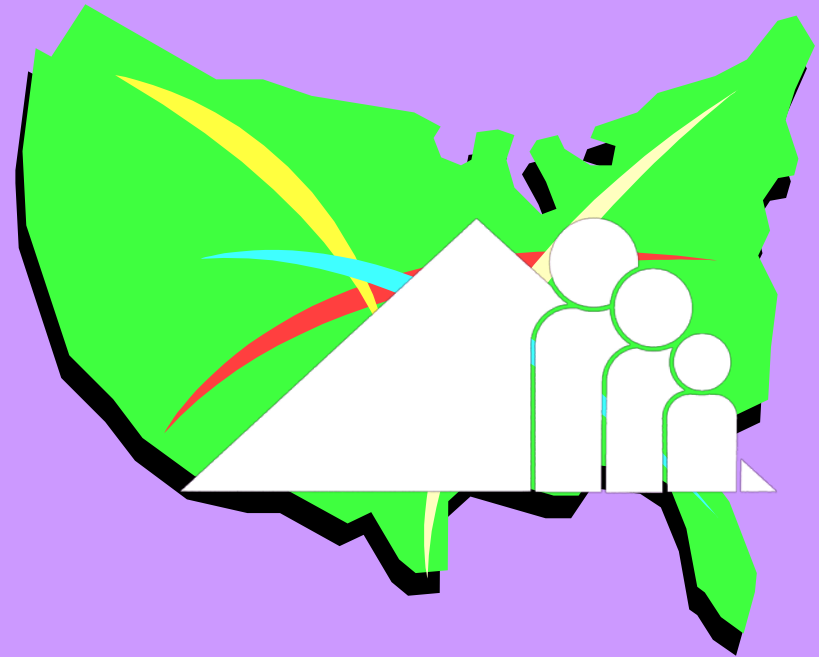
# HIGHLIGHTS OF SEC. 330H HEALTHY START

- An initiative to reduce the rate of infant mortality and improve perinatal outcomes
- Make grants for project areas with high annual rates of infant mortality

# HIGHLIGHTS OF SEC. 330H HEALTHY START

Health Resources and Services Administration  
Maternal and Child Health Bureau

Partnership with  
statewide  
systems and with  
other community  
services funded  
under the  
Maternal and  
Child Health  
Block Grant.





# HIGHLIGHTS OF SEC. 330H HEALTHY START

## **COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM**

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.



# HIGHLIGHTS OF SEC. 330H HEALTHY START

- Up to 5% for TA, dissemination, coordination, and data
- Up to 1% for evaluations of projects
- If dollars greater than 1999, may make grants to States for TA, replication, and policy formation to reduce infant and maternal mortality and morbidity



# HEALTHY START

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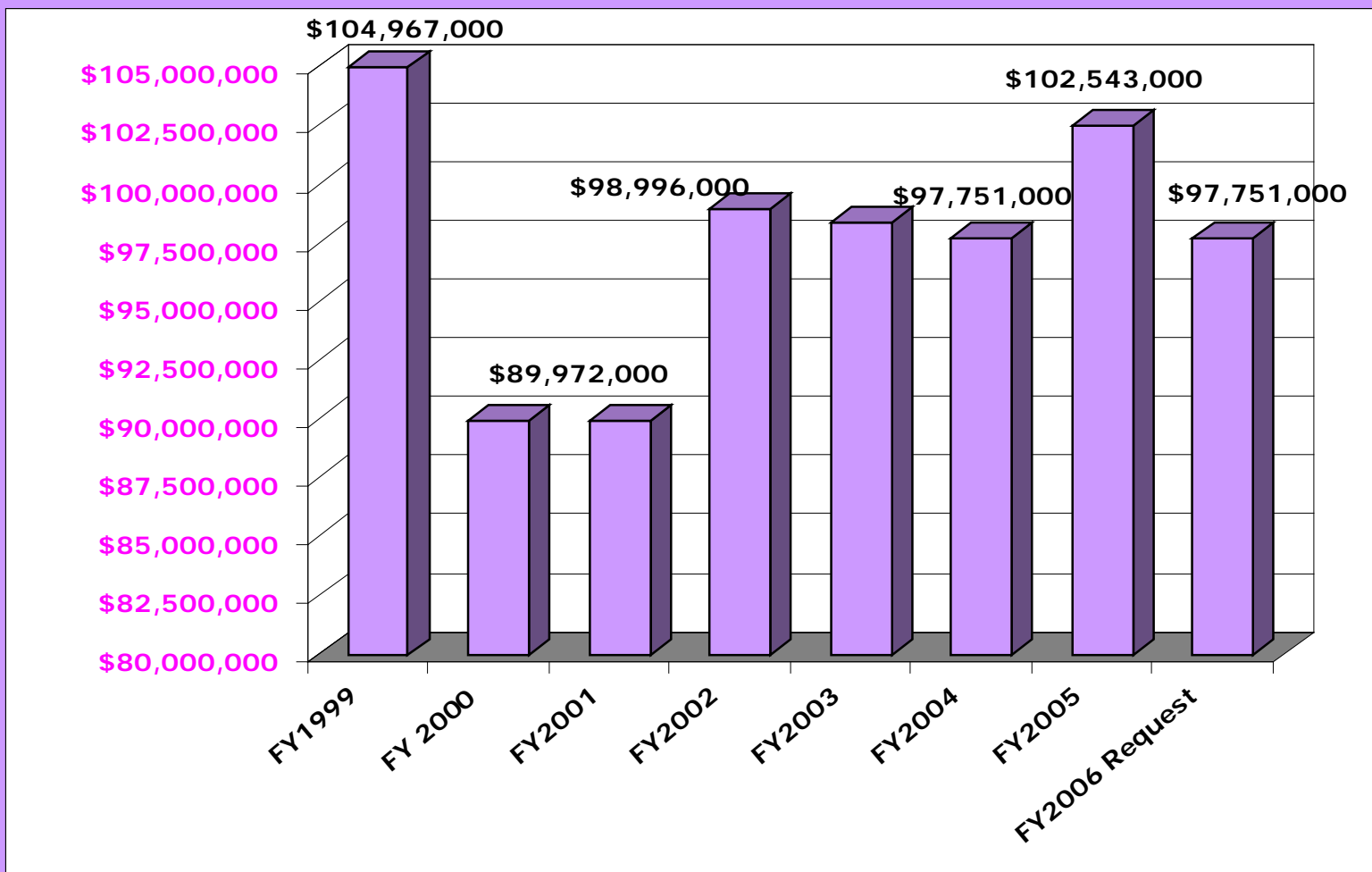
# HEALTHY START

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
FY1999	\$104,967,000
FY 2000	\$89,982,000
FY2003	\$98,346,000
FY2004	\$97,751,000
FY2005	\$102,543,000
<i>FY2006 Request</i>	\$97,751,000

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# HEALTHY START FUNDING

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# HIGHLIGHTS OF 2005 CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT

“The Committee urges HRSA to give preference to current and former grantees with expiring or recently expired project periods. This should include grantees whose grant applications were approved but not funded during fiscal year 2004.”

*Senate Report 108-345 at 54 (2004) accompanying the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005*

*(Pub. L. 108-447)*



# HEALTHY START

- *2005 ELIMINATING DISPARITIES IN PERINATAL HEALTH*
  - Seventy-four Grantees Addressing Racial and Ethnic Disparities
  - Three Focusing on the Border, Alaska and Hawaii



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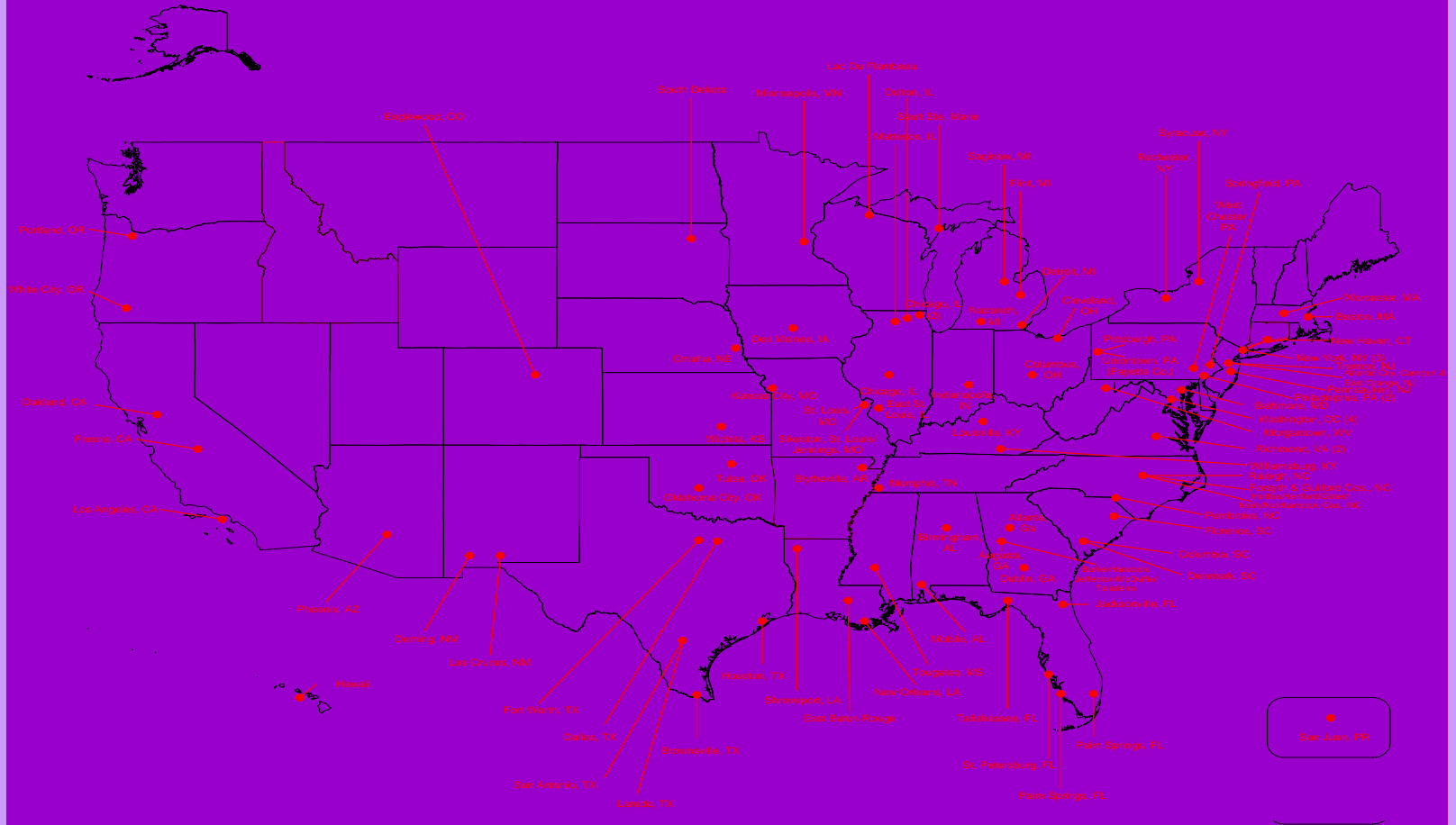
- *ELIMINATING DISPARITIES IN PERINATAL HEALTH*
  - 2002-2006 Twelve Grantees
  - 2004-2008 Six Grantees
  - 2005-2009 Seventy-four Grantees

## *ELIMINATING DISPARITIES IN PERINATAL HEALTH-BORDER, ALASKAN AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN COMMUNITIES*

- 2004-2008 Two Grantees
- 2005-2009 Three Grantees

# HEALTHY START

## Healthy Start Project Area Sites



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- *Improving Screening and Treatment for Perinatal Depression* (FY 2001-2005)
- *High Risk Interconceptional Care* (FY 2001-2005)
- *Family Violence* (FY 2002-2005)





# 2005 HEALTHY START ACTIVITIES

Health Resources and Services Administration  
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- National Evaluation
- Technical Assistance
  - Perinatal Depression
  - Domestic Violence
  - Breastfeeding



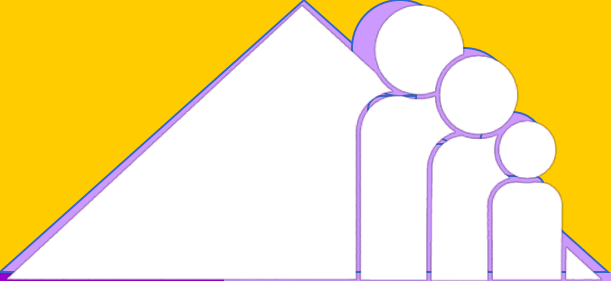
# HHS Closing the Health Gap Overall Strategic Approach

- Focus on research coordination, risk reduction, and collaboration
- Build on existing programs and pilot test evidenced-based interventions in high incidence states/communities
- Partner with organizations
- Initiate a communication campaign



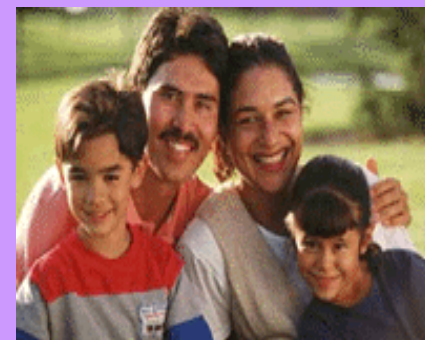
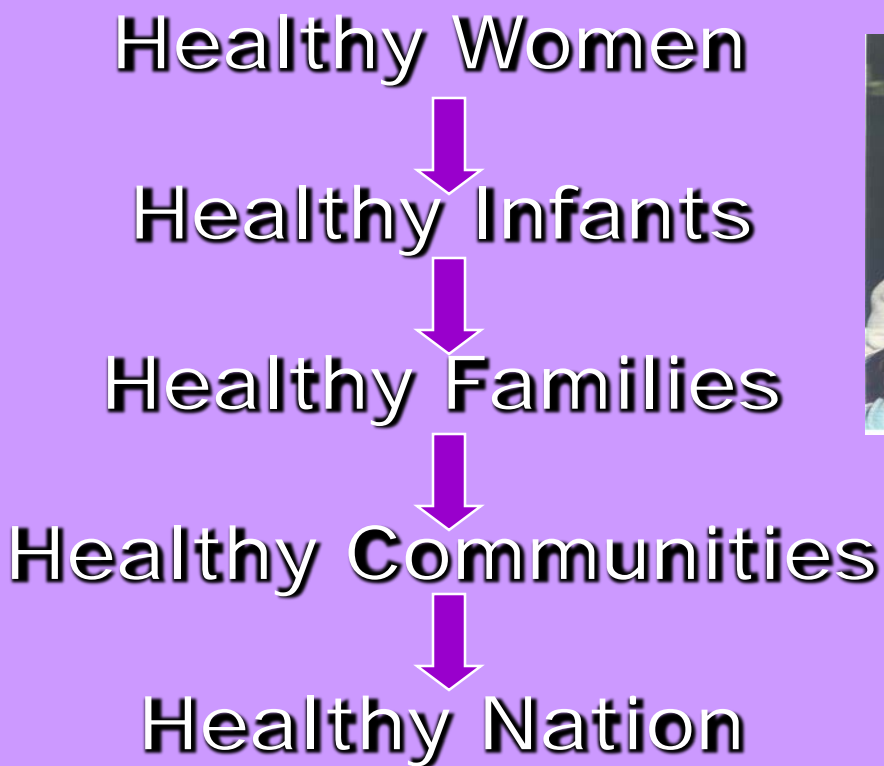
# 2005 HEALTHY START ACTIVITIES

- Closing the Health Gap  
Reducing Infant Mortality in African  
American and American/Indian Alaska  
Native Communities
  - Pilot Communities: *Illinois, Michigan, Mississippi, South  
Carolina*
  - Perinatal Collaborative
  - Media Campaign



# Our Goal

Health Resources and Services Administration  
Maternal and Child Health Bureau



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