

Home Visiting Program

New Mexico

Home Visiting New Mexico is funded in part through federal investments from the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program), and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to at-risk pregnant women and parents with young children.

The Home Visiting Program, which builds upon decades of scientific research, provides voluntary, culturally-appropriate, individually-tailored supports to families in their homes, including providing information about children's health, development, and safety, and when appropriate, referrals to support services.

Through federal grants from the Home Visiting Program, in fiscal year 2015, home visitors in New Mexico:

- made 4,430 home visits to 672 parents and children in 331 families;
- enrolled 334 new parents and children to the program; and
- served families living in communities in 3 counties across the state, or 9% of New Mexico counties, of which 1 county, or 33%, is rural.

The Home Visiting Program in New Mexico:

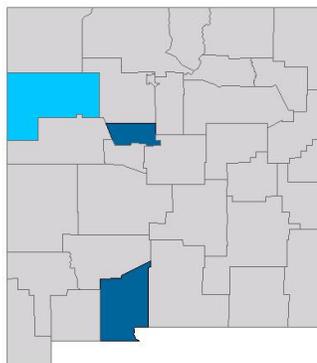
- focused on identified high-need Investment Zones;
- explored what a "promising approach" initiative would look like in reaching Family Child Care providers through Home Visiting;
- promoted a Collaborative Leadership through the use of training and toolkit inspired by E. Galinsky's Mind in the Making initiative;
- achieved full integration of federally-funded and state-funded home visiting programs under the umbrella of the New Mexico Standards-Based Model;
- developed and launched a common Continuous Quality Improvement process across all programs;
- provided programs the opportunity to use Infant Mental Health/Reflective Supervision practices by providing national trainers/speakers; and
- expanded a database base to support both federal and state funded programs under one collective data collection system

Like all Federal Home Visiting Program grantees, New Mexico uses home visiting models that are proven effective. New Mexico leverages federal funds to implement the following evidence-based models to serve children and families across the state:

- [Nurse-Family Partnership](#)
- [Parents as Teachers](#)

Counties with home visiting services funded by federal grants from the Home Visiting Program (as of February 2016)*:

- **Rural counties:**
McKinley
- **Non-rural counties:**
Bernalillo, Doña Ana



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The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program is administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in close partnership with the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The Program supports at-risk pregnant women and families, and helps parents of children from birth to kindergarten entry tap the resources and hone the skills they need to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn.

Research shows that home visits by a nurse, social worker, early childhood educator, or other trained professional during pregnancy and in the first years of life improve maternal and child health, prevent child abuse and neglect, increase positive parenting, and enhance child development and school readiness.