

County Prenatal Block Grant Program

Goals:

Improve birth outcomes
Improve health status of women of childbearing age
Reduce the incidence of infant mortality and morbidity
Improve the health status of infants

Program Components:

The components of this program vary from one county to another. Services include but are not limited to:

Prenatal classes, education and information on preconception care, childbirth and breastfeeding education, parenting, child and home safety, nurse case management, infant CPR, postpartum follow-up, developmental assessments, and information and referral for appropriate social services and health care.

Funding

State Match Dollars for Title V MCH Block Grant – Distributed to all 15 counties based on a funding formula.

Target Audience:

The target audience is women of childbearing age and infants up to the age of two years.

Why is this Program Needed?

The counties have no other source to fund maternal child health (MCH) programs. Most County Health Departments rely solely on the County Prenatal Block Grant to provide prenatal care, postpartum care, preconception care, childbirth and breastfeeding education, and support services for women of childbearing age and their infants.

What has the Program Achieved?

Over 20,000 women and children throughout the state receive services from this program.

Of the women enrolled in CPBG programs the average birth weight is over 5.7 lbs, the average gestational age at birth is 37 weeks or over, and the majority of women tend to breastfeed for a minimum of 6 weeks.

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