



# **MCHB Maternal Health Activities**

## ***Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality***

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**Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People**



# Life Course Approach

Among girls:

- 29.2% **overweight or obese** (10-17 yo)
- 40.7% (all ages) report  $\geq 1$  **adverse childhood experiences**



Among women 18-44:

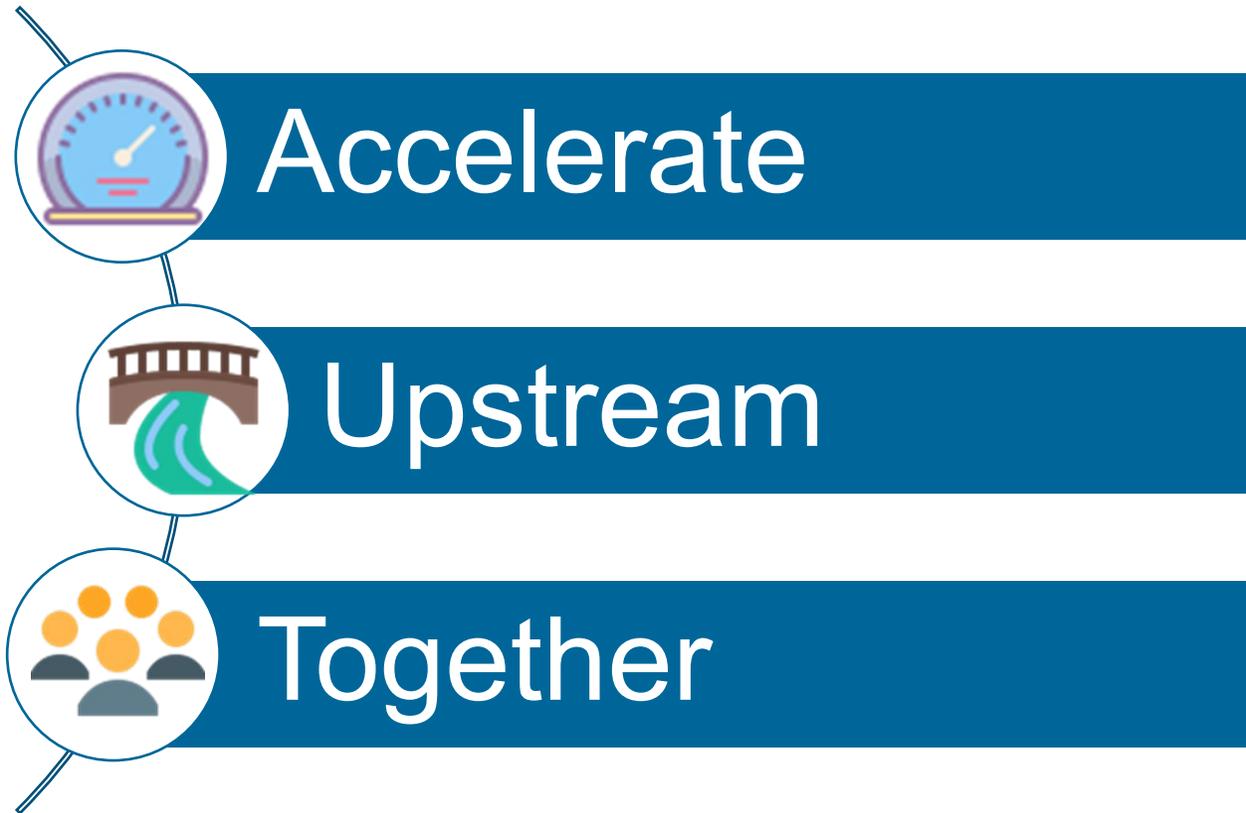
- 24.6% **without well-woman visit** in past 12 months
- 13.4% in “**fair or poor**” health
- 14.3% are **current smokers**
- 56.0% are **overweight or obese**
- 31% have household income of **<\$25k**

Health/Development

Age →



# Paradigm for Improving Maternal Health



# MCHB Core Investments

## Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (Title V)

- Partners with states and territories to reduce maternal morbidity and mortality
- \$563M (FY21) formula awards to States

## Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (MIECHV)

- Funds states, territories, and tribal entities to develop and implement voluntary home visiting programs
- \$400M (FY21)

## Healthy Start Initiative: Eliminating Disparities in Perinatal Health (Healthy Start)

- Supports grants to advance a community-based approach for improving health and reducing racial and ethnic disparities in perinatal health
- \$128M (FY21)



# MCHB Targeted Investments

## State Maternal Health Innovation

- Task forces formed to improve state level surveillance and innovation in service delivery
- \$23M (FY21)

## Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health / AIM-CCI

- Safety bundles of evidence-based practices for hospitals and other settings
- \$9M (FY21)

## NEW Maternal Mental Health Hotline

- Maternal mental health hotline, staffed by qualified counselors, 24 hours a day
- \$3M (FY21)



# MCHB Targeted Investments

## Screening and Treatment for Maternal Depression and Related Behavioral Disorders

- Telehealth to provide training and real-time psychiatric consultation and care coordination to front-line health care providers
- \$5M (FY21)

## Challenge Competitions

- Prize competitions to create tech innovations to improve maternal health
- \$1.5M in prizes

## Women's Preventive Services Initiative

- Lifespan preventive screening and services
- Anticipated \$950k (FY21)



# HRSA/MCHB Impact: Tracking Improvements



In FY 2019, **82%** of MIECHV caregivers were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or 3 months of delivery, **an increase from 75%** in FY 2017.



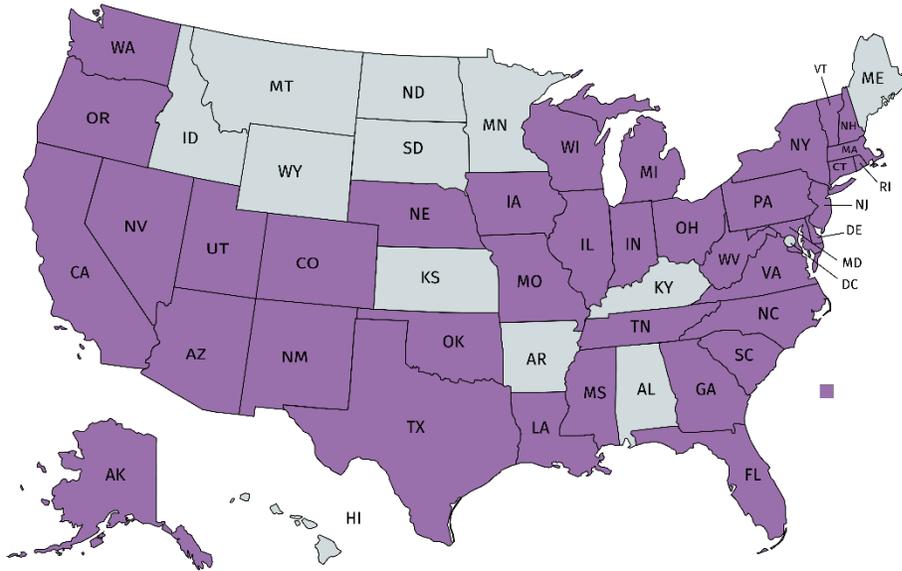
In FY 2018, **77.8%** of Healthy Start participants initiated prenatal care during the first trimester, **exceeding the target of 75%**



In FY 2020, State MHI grantees conducted mobile obstetric simulations for clinical providers, established mobile clinics, and supported telemedicine **to increase access to care.**

# HRSA/MCHB Impact: Tracking Improvements

## Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health (AIM)



38 states, approximately 1,500 hospitals  
*Implementation as of Oct. 2020*

- **Tennessee** – Increased from 45% to 72% the percentage of birthing women with opioid use disorder (OUD) who received medication-assisted treatment at discharge between 2019 and 2020
- **Louisiana** – 23% reduction in SMM among birthing women with hypertension between 2016 and 2019
- **Florida** – 8% reduction in low-risk cesarean births between Jan. 2018 and June 2019



# Other HRSA Investments

- MCHB partners with HRSA's Federal Office of Rural Health Policy on HRSA's **Rural Maternity and Obstetrics Management Strategies (RMOMS)** pilot program
- The program aims to:
  - Develop a sustainable network approach to coordinate maternal and obstetrics care within a rural region
  - Increase the delivery and access of preconception, pregnancy, labor and delivery, and postpartum services
  - Develop a sustainable financing model



# Other HRSA Investments



## Health Center Program

Providing primary care covering the prenatal to postpartum period is part of the Health Center Program's core mission.

In 2019, care included:

- Contraceptive management services for nearly 1.7 million patients
- Pap tests for approximately 1.8 million patients
- Prenatal care to over 583,300 patients, performing over 175,200 deliveries



## Health Workforce Programs

National Health Service Corps and other programs place an array of practitioners in underserved areas

- Programs train an array of women's health and maternal providers, including midwives



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