

**Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant:** Massachusetts at a Glance 2022

The Maternal and Child Health Block Grant, also known as Title V, is dedicated to improving family health and well-being across generations. Title V enables the Department of Public Health (DPH) to develop, implement, and evaluate policies and programs for pregnant people, parents, caregivers, infants, children, and youth, including those with special health needs.



# Who do we serve?

#### In 2021

- 6,165 pregnant people
- 41,089 **infants** under 1 year old
- 747,323 **children and youth** 1 through 21 years old
- 208,777 children and youth with special health needs
- 68,250 other people over 21 years old

# What do we do?

- **Direct & Enabling Services:** Title V programs and staff facilitate access to health and social services
  - e.g. home visiting for pregnant and parenting families; care coordination for children with special health needs; and case management for childhood lead poisoning.
- **Public Health Services & Systems:** Title V supports population-based services such as public information and education, policy development, workforce development, and quality improvement
  - e.g. maternal mortality and morbidity review process; birth defects research and prevention; injury prevention training.



# How are we funded?

In fiscal year 2021, Massachusetts received over \$11 million in federal funds. States are required to match every \$4 of federal Title V money they receive by at least \$3 of state/local money.



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Massachusetts at a Glance 2021

# **State Priorities:** 2020-2025

#### **Substance Use Prevention**



Prevent the use of substances, including alcohol, tobacco, marijuana and opioids among youth and pregnant women.

# **Nutrition & Physical Acitivity**



Foster healthy nutrition and physical activity through equitable system and policy improvements.

#### **Sexual and Reproductive Health**



Promote equitable access to sexuality education and sexual and reproductive health services.



# **Racial Equity**

Eliminate institutional and structural racism in DPH programs, policies, and practices to improve maternal and child health.

# Family, Father and Youth Engagement



Engage families, fathers, and youth with diverse life experiences through shared power and leadership to improve MCH services.

### Mental Health and Emotional Well-Being



Strengthen the capacity of the health system to promote mental health and emotional well-being.



## Health Transition

Support effective healthrelated transition to adulthood for adolescents with special health needs.

#### Maternal Mortality & Morbidity



Reduce rates of and eliminate inequities in maternal morbidity and mortality.

#### **Social Determinants of Health**



Eliminate health inequities caused by unjust social, economic, and environmental systems, policies and practices.

#### **Healing Centered Systems**



Support equitable healing centered systems and approaches to mitigate the effects of trauma.