

Maternal, Infant, Early Childhood Visiting (MIECHV) Program Outcomes Years 1-5

The Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program is a federally funded grant awarded to the State of Georgia through the Department of Public Health. The DeKalb Human Services Department applied for funding in 2012. Since that time, the County has been awarded nearly 2 million dollars to implement the MIECHV program.

DeKalb County MIECHV Outcomes for Years 1-5 reflect the County's achievements as compared to the rest of the State of Georgia.

- In the first 5 years of the program, none of the children participating in DeKalb MIECHV were injured or required medical treatment. There were also no reports of child maltreatment cases for any program participants.
- In years 1-5, wellness checks on young children were completed 83% of the time. In the first year, the wellness checks completion rate was 95%.
- 100% of participants had referrals for maternal depression and referrals for treatment, which was an increase from the state's 84% and 64% completion rates in years 3 and 5.
- 100% of participants received assistance with the reduction of tobacco use in homes with young children and by pregnant mothers as compared to only 63% as yielded by the state in year 5.
- 100% children participants with developmental delays (cognitive, social, emotional, and physical) received screenings and referrals during year 5.
- 100% of family participants were screened for domestic violence. Services were offered to all identified families and 100% of those families received safety plans for their homes in year 5.