

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant

6th Congressional District

Every year, the state of Washington receives about \$8.77 million in funding from the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant (MCHBG). Clallam, Jefferson, Grays Harbor, Kitsap, and Mason Counties receive about \$411,000 of this funding to improve the health and lives of pregnant and reproductive-age women, infants, children, and adolescents, including children and youth with special healthcare needs.

In 2014, MCHBG funds directly benefited more than 14,000 pregnant women, approximately 87,000 newborns, more than 7,700 children with special healthcare needs, and more than 46,000 other children, adolescents, and adults statewide.

The MCHBG supports work in the 6th Congressional District

Clallam County

- Work with several community partners through the Child Check program to increase access to developmental screening for children.

Grays Harbor County

Story from the field

Staff assisted a family with a son with special needs, adjust to a new life in Grays Harbor County by ensuring access to therapy services, connecting them to a physician who works with children with special needs, and coordinating much-needed supply delivery. These support services help make the transition much easier.

Jefferson County

- Work with community partners to provide relevant support to families experiencing higher levels of trauma and coordinate care for children needing extra assistance.

Kitsap County

- Build community knowledge about how adverse childhood experiences affect health in adulthood across the county and offer disadvantaged new parents additional support.

Mason County

- Facilitate a breastfeeding consortium and organize activities that can increase breastfeeding rates.



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