



Governor's Office for Children  
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# Home Visiting Accountability Act of 2012 Reporting for State-Funded Programs

Webinar Presentation by the Governor's Office for Children

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# The Home Visiting Accountability Act of 2012

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- Includes new requirements regarding the State's home visiting programs:
  - Evidence Based Programs (EBPs)
    - At least 75% of State funding for Home Visiting shall be made available to EBPs.
  - Data collection
  - Vendor Reporting

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- Requires the development of standardized reporting measures to be used for all home visiting programs receiving State funds.
- Draft standard reporting measures were developed with the workgroup making recommendations to the Children's Cabinet.
- The Children's Cabinet adopted those recommendations in March 2014.

# Home Visiting Workgroup

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- Convened by GOC on behalf of the Children's Cabinet.
- Comprised of State agency staff, advocates, vendor representatives and other stakeholders.
- Reviewed possible common reporting measures of many home visiting programs.
- Technical assistance provided by Kay Johnson
  - Representing the Pew Home Visiting Campaign

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- Data Collection and Vendor Reporting
  - Workgroup recommended to Children's Cabinet what common measures will best address monitoring and effectiveness of home visiting programs.
  - Technical assistance provided by the Pew Charitable Trusts.
  - Children's Cabinet adopted measures on 3/20/14.

<b>Domains</b>	<b>Child Health</b>	<b>Maternal Mental Health (MH)</b>	<b>Typical Child Development</b>	<b>Children Special Needs</b>	<b>Relationships</b>
Standard Measures	% of enrolled children who have received well child check-ups according to the schedule recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics	% of enrolled mothers who have been screened for MH symptoms.	% of enrolled children whose development is scored as “typical” according to the ASQ- 3	% of enrolled children referred to Part B or Part C (special education/ early intervention services)	% of mothers with an increase in parenting behavior & parent-child relationship
Standard Measures		% of enrolled mothers who have been referred for MH services.	% of enrolled children whose socio-emotional development is scored as “typical” according to the ASQ- SE		% of mothers who screened positive for intimate partner violence (IPV) by 36 weeks.
Standard Measures		% of enrolled mothers who have received supplemental MH services			Of the mothers who screened positive for IPV, the % who have completed safety plans w/i 24 hours
Standard Measures		% of enrolled mothers whose stress level is scored over the clinical cut-off for parenting stress.			

# Home Visiting Workgroup

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- The next step was to review the measures and to discuss specific data collection plans.
- Staff support for the development and refinement of a data dictionary was provided by the Institute for Innovation and Implementation at the University of Maryland School of Social Work.
- The workgroup considered a survey process to be implemented as a way to collect raw data.

# Home Visiting Data Collection

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- Survey finalized in November 2014.
- Implementation in early 2015 for a “trial run” of data collection for State-funded home visiting programs.
- **Data submission due February 6, 2015 for the period of July 1 – December 31, 2014.**
- Technical assistance is available to home visiting vendors as needed to ensure success.



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- MSDE will partner with GOC to offer an orientation webinar to all home visiting programs in anticipation of implementation of the standard reporting measures.
- Other opportunities for technical assistance:
  - Home Visiting Conference in Spring 2015
  - As requested. Jenn Bistrack is available to present at meetings or to meet individually with programs.

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# Link to Data Collection info

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