

FTF Home Visitation Data Summary Reporting Period: July 1 to September 30, 2010

Parents and families need education and support to understand child development and health and to develop parenting skills. Family support is the foundation for enhancing children's positive social and emotional development.¹ Home visitation programs deliver education, information and support to families where they are - in their homes. Through stand-alone programs or in partnership with center-based services, voluntary home visitation programs educate families and bring them up-to-date information about health, child development and school readiness, and connect them to critical services. Home visitation is a bridge that links the resources of the community with the safety of the home environment, empowering even hard-to reach parents to build a better future for themselves and their children.

Research suggests that home visiting programs help parents learn parenting skills, increase confidence in their parenting skills, promote appropriate parent-child interactions, and increase linkages with community supports, including health and social services.² Home visiting has been shown to be highly effective with regard to promoting effective parenting in the area of preventing abuse and neglect.³

The 2008 First Things First Family and Community Survey provided baseline measurement of parents' understanding of child development. The survey also provided information about parents' perceptions of access to and quality of services available to young children and families.

- One-fifth to almost one-half of Arizona parents need support understanding early development and how to support their child's optimal development.
- Almost two-thirds of parents are dissatisfied with the coordination of early childhood services in Arizona
- More than one-third of parents are dissatisfied with the information and resources available, with 70% of parents of children with health issues expressing dissatisfaction with available information and resources

Arizona ranks 44th in the nation, in the percentage of 0 to 5 year old children read to daily (43%) and ranks 51st in the percentage of 0 to 5 year old children (40.6%) read to on a daily basis.⁴ Home visitation programs that support early literacy are expected to increase the percentage of children read to daily.

In 2007, Arizona ranked 46th in the percentage of children (under 18) who are without any health insurance, with about 14% of children 0 to 5 years old uninsured⁵. Home visitation programs provide information about health coverage alternatives, and explain processes for enrollment, that may reduce the number of uninsured children.

The findings described above demonstrate that for many Arizona parents access to accurate and supportive information and services remains a concern. Findings further help identify certain groups of parents who will benefit from targeted individualized support programs such as home visitation that

¹ Meeker, Elizabeth and Levison-Johnson, Jody. Evidence-Based Parenting Education Programs: Literature Search, September 2005. Coordinated Care Services, Inc.

² Barnard, K. (1998). Developing, implanting and documenting interventions with parents and young children. *Zero to Three*, 18(4) 23-29.

³ Krugman, R.D. (1993). Universal home visiting: a recommendation from the U.S. Advisory Board on Child Abuse and Neglect. *Future Child*, 3:184-200.

⁴ Reading Across the Nation: A Chartbook . October 2007. www.reachoutandread.org | www.healthychild.ucla.edu

⁵ The Annie E. Casey Foundation, KIDS COUNT Data Center, www.kidscount.org.

provide accurate parenting information and help parents translate that information into improved parenting.

Summary

Overview:

- **23** Regional Partnership Councils awarded **53** grants to provide home visitation programs.

Service numbers for the current quarter:

- Total number of families served at the end of the quarter: **3494**
- Number Developmental Screenings given to children this quarter: **1568**

Staffing numbers:

- Total number of home visitation FTEs at the end of quarter: **197.5**
- Number of home visitors meeting minimum educational requirements: **234**

Hualapai Regional Partnership Council Data Summary Report

Regional Contracts

Home Visitation

Contract Number: Grantee Name		July-Sept 2010
FTF-RC025-10-0211-01-Y2: Hualapai Tribe Health Department	Number of Families Served at the end of the quarter	39
	Total number of families NEWLY enrolled during the quarter ¹	8
	Total Number of Families Served during the quarter ²	42
	Number of Children Served at the end of the quarter	36
	Total number of children NEWLY enrolled during the quarter ³	8
	Number of FTE at the end of the quarter	2
	Average FTE Caseload	19.5
	Number of Children Eligible for Screening	6
	Number of Children Receiving Screening	11
	Number of Children with Possible Delay Identified	<25

¹ This field is calculated by aggregating the new families enrolled for each month in the quarter.

² This field is calculated by taking the first month "continuing families" in the quarter and adding the total from "total number of families NEWLY enrolled."

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