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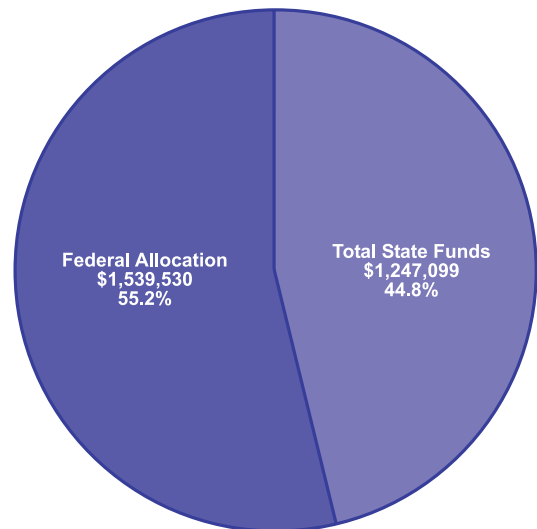
The MCH Federal-State Partnership

The Virgin Islands Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant Program is operated as a single, Administrative Unit within the Virgin Islands Department of Health. The Administrative Unit, headed by the Director of MCH & CSHCN, is responsible for conducting the state-wide assessment of needs, agency management, program planning and implementation, policy development, and intra-agency collaboration. Within the Administrative Unit are Program Administrators on each island who oversees financial and clinic management functions. MCH & CSHCN administered programs included: Preventive and Primary Child Health Care, Newborn Screening, Prenatal Care Services, Prenatal Care Coordination, Genetic Disease Program, and Subspecialty Care Services.

Title V Federal-State Block Grant Expenditures by Number of Individuals Served and Population Group⁴

Populations Served	Number of Individuals Served	Expenditures FY '98	
Pregnant Women	516	\$348,329	<i>State Population⁵ 94,000 (UN report)</i>
Infants (<1 year)	1,818	\$348,329	
Children (1 to 22 yrs)	4,502	\$835,988	<i>Live Births⁵ 1,800</i>
CSHCN (Special Needs)	1,477	\$975,320	
Others ³	1,269	\$0	
Administration		\$278,663	
TOTALS	9,582	\$2,786,629	

Title V Federal-State Block Grant Expenditures⁴ by Source of Funds



MCH PARTNERSHIP FUNDS—FY 98²

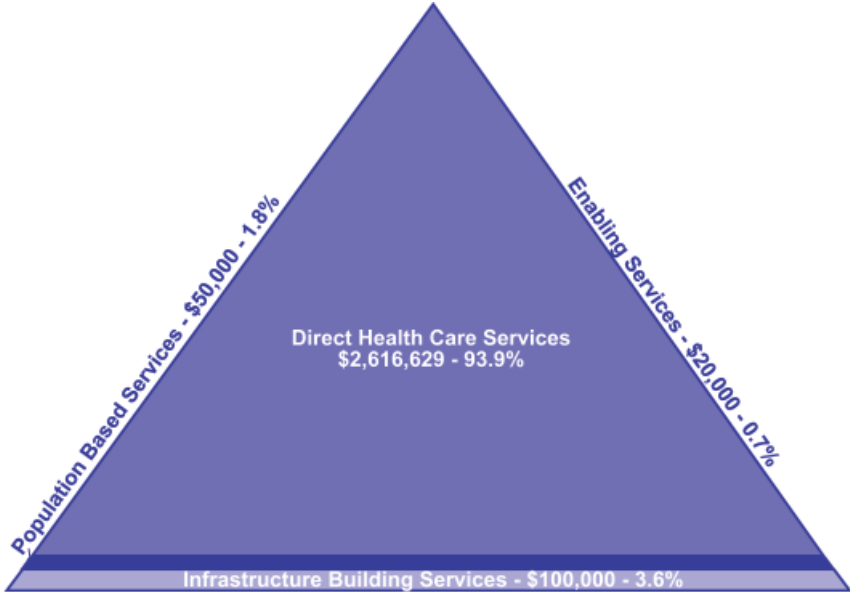
Title V Federal-State Block Grant:	\$2,786,629
Other Title V Grant Programs:	\$236,509
Other MCH Grant Programs:	\$191,774
TOTAL MCH Partnership Funds	\$3,214,912

Title V - Selected National MCH Performance Measures⁷	State 1998 Results	State Year 2000 Goal
Number of specialty services for Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)	8 of 9	9 of 9
Percent of newborns screened for 4 major genetic disorders	95.3%	96%
Percent of children immunized (ages 19-35 months) against 9 diseases	83%	90%
Rate of births to teens aged 15-17 years (per 1,000 teens aged 15-17 years)	48 ⁹⁷	50
Rate of deaths to children aged 1-14 caused by motor vehicle crashes (per 100,000 children)	0 ⁹⁷	3.5
Percent of mothers who breast fed their infants at time of hospital discharge	40%	75%
Percent of newborns screened for hearing impairment before hospital discharge	20%	96%
State assurance of family participation in CSHCN programs & policies	11 of 18	18 of 18
Percent of very low birth weight live births	2% ⁹⁷	1%
Percent of infants born to women who received first trimester prenatal care	53%	90%

Title V - National MCH Outcome Measures⁷	State 1998 Results	State Year 2000 Goal
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	10	7.0
Ratio of black to white infant mortality	10.3	1
Neonatal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	6.8	4.5
Postneonatal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	3.1	2.0
Perinatal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	24.5 ⁹⁷	9.5
Child death rate (per 100,000 children aged 1-14)	21.8 ⁹⁷	28

Title V - Selected State-Determined MCH Performance Measures⁷	State 1998 Results	State Year 2000 Goal
Pregnant women who received no prenatal care	*	3.5%
Rate of asthma hospitalizations (per 100,000)	918 ⁹⁷	160
Prenatal patients certified with medical assistance program (MAP)	24% ⁹⁷	60%
Live births to mothers who exceeded maximum established weight gain during pregnancy	17%	10%

Title V Federal-State Block Grant Expenditures⁴ by Category of Service⁶



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Selected FY 98 Title V and Other MCH Grant Annotations

Title V—SPECIAL PROJECTS OF REGIONAL & NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE (SPRANS)

Coordination of Services for Children With Special Health Care Needs, Virgin Islands Department of Health, Christiansted, St. Croix, \$100,000 (SPRANS-MCHIP-SSDI)

This State Systems Development Initiative (SSDI) project is designed to assist the maternal and child health/children with special health care needs (CSHCN) program in developing a comprehensive community-based, family-centered, culturally sensitive, and coordinated service system. The SSDI coordinator's role is to implement the networking component of the project. Efforts to cultivate the interactive communication and collaboration among public and private providers for children with special health care needs and their families will result in an improved, efficient, effective, and accessible service system for the CSHCN families and the professionals serving this target population. In addition, ongoing educational training sessions are planned for the professional staff and family support groups.

Title V—ABSTINENCE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Abstinence Education Program, U.S.V.I. Department of Health, St. Thomas, \$136,509 (Abstinence Ed)

The Abstinence Education Program will promote "sexual abstinence" as a healthy choice. The targeted age group is persons 13-19 year of age. Planned activities include a one-day training seminar in "sexual abstinence," for adolescent service providers, a six-week group counseling program to be delivered seven times in different island

locations, a Walk-a-Thon to raise public awareness, posting of bilingual posters, and distribution of print materials. A pre- and post-evaluation will be carried out as part of the 6-week counseling program.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN (EMSC)

Virgin Islands Emergency Medical Services for Children, Virgin Islands Department of Health, St. Croix, \$191,774 (EMSC-Implementation)

The goals of the Virgin Islands Emergency Medical Services for Children project are to: (1) Promote collaboration and coordination among public and private agencies delivering emergency services to children; (2) develop a regional system of care serving neonatal and pediatric populations; (3) provide comprehensive training in Basic Life Support (CPR) and Advanced Pediatric Life Support (PALS); and (4) promote injury prevention through a public awareness program. A multidisciplinary coalition will advocate, develop solutions, recommend legislative strategy, and stimulate development of a comprehensive, statewide system of emergency medical services for children in the Virgin Islands.

Other Title V (non block) Grant Programs:

\$236,509

Other MCH Grant Programs:

\$191,774

TOTAL:

\$428,283