FAMILY HOME VISITING PROGRAM

Renville County Public Health

FAMILY HEALTH PROGRAM

Includes:

- Family Home visiting: on-going parenting visits walking alongside the parents and children prenatal through age 3, using a relationship-based curriculum called Growing Great Kids/Families
 - New Baby Visits also called Universal visits
 - Lead
 - Birth Defects or Hearing Loss
 - Follow Along Program
 - Help Me Grow
 - Child Care Consultations
 - Car Seat Education
 - School Liaison

YEAR IN REVIEW

New Baby Visits

- Year 2021 was hard year for us:
 - -131 new babies total in Renville County
 - -49 of those allowed us to visit
 - -41 of those 131 had no response to our nurses attempts at connecting with them
- Good News we were able to admit 24 of those 49 into our Family Home visiting program!
- Some reasons for the lower numbers are:
 - COVID numbers were not declining and clients did not want us in their homes
 - WIC is still over the phone, making cold calls is very difficult
 - Many of the new moms we tried reaching did not have voicemail and we were just not able to connect with them no matte how hard we tried.
 - Not their first baby so they don't see the need for the visit.

YEAR IN REVIEW CONT.

- On going home visits:
 - Currently we have 4 staff RN's that provide the curriculum to our clients. 2 of those are new this year to the program.
 - 2019: 6 RN's at 1,024 visits
 - 2020: 4 RN's at 828 visits
 - 2021: 4 RN's at 802 visits
 - 2022: 4 RN's at 484 visits at the end of July

FTF	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
1 1 1	3.900	4.257	4.025	2.928	3.069	

PERFECT SERVICE FOR FURTHER OUTREACH

- Public health nurses are out in the community connecting with families, the MN Department of Health realizes that we are the perfect service to provide some specialized follow up on public health issues:
 - <u>Lead</u>: Lead is extremely toxic to a growing small child's brain. It can cause lower IQs, behavior problems, and nervous system irritability.
 - <u>Birth Defects</u>: The MDH has a list of birth defects such as heart defects or chromosomal abnormalities that it monitors from birth records
 - Hearing Loss: MDH also notifies us whenever a child has a have a confirmed hearing loss

FTF	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	0.003	0.002	0.003	0.002	0.004

ARE WE ON TRACK?

- Every child is unique and can develop in certain and predictable ways, called development milestones
- Follow Along Program:

FTF

- -Free program that gives parents a foundation on how their child is developing.
- Uses Ages and Stages questionnaire to see if the child is on track developmentally and socially.

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	0.133	0.103	0.128	0.090	0.053	ĺ

• Help Me Grow:

-Interagency initiative that provides resources for families in early childhood education

 2017
 2018
 2019
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 2021

 0.032
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OTHER PROGRAM

 Car seat: One car seat tech trained to offer education to our clients. Will add another technician to the program in order to offer in person classes.

FTF					
1 1 1	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	0.057	0.059	0.045	0.026	0.034

Daycare Consultation: Two daycares that we visit monthly.

• FTE	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	n/a	0.007	0.011	0.008	0.013

- School Liaison: Collaboration between the school and Public Health:
 - Early Childhood Screenings
 - Annual Flu shot clinics for students and staff