



WE NEED YOUR INPUT: **NEBRASKA'S PROPOSED TITLE V** **ACTION PLAN***

For Oct 1, 2025 through Sept 30, 2026

*For the Title V Maternal and Child Health Services
Block Grant

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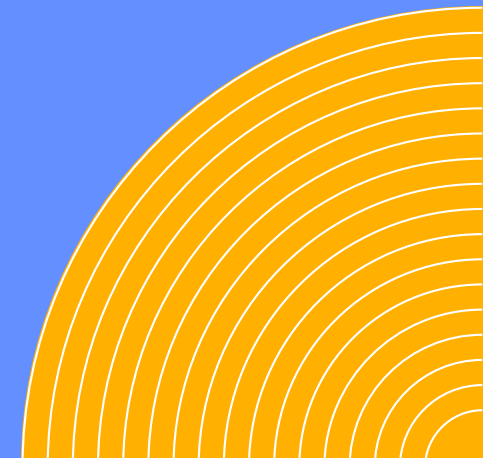
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WE NEED YOUR IDEAS!

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) invites public input on the Title V Block Grant application to the federal government.

DHHS created Nebraska's action plan with the help of many partners. This action plan lists Nebraska's nine priorities needs and objectives and strategies to impact each need. Please provide feedback to help us choose strategies that will improve health.

The Title V Block Grant pays for programs and systems work that focus on: women of reproductive years and during pregnancy; mothers; infants; children and youth (including children/youth with special health care needs); and their families.





TIMELINE

Every 5 years Title V completes a needs assessment to identify the priorities for Nebraska. Annually, we write and update the action plan that will address the needs. We are at the beginning of the 5-year cycle and have just selected new priorities.

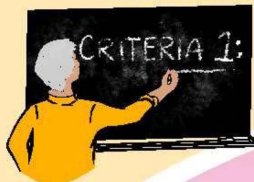
Title V can select 7-10 priority needs to address.

WHAT'S OUR PROCESS?

2 DEVELOP CRITERIA

DEFINITIONS

PRIORITIZATION



NEBRASKA'S MCH NEEDS ASSESSMENT

SPEARHEADED BY THE OFFICE OF
MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGY

3 PARTNERS CONVENE IN
SUBCOMMITTEES TO

DETERMINE TOP NEEDS
& DRAFT ISSUE BRIEFS

4 PRESENT
ISSUE
BRIEFS

5 IDENTIFY 10 PRIORITIES

CREATE STRATEGIES
& ACTIVITIES

WHAT'S NEXT?

ANNUAL REVIEWS

REVIEWING
NEW DATA

TO ADDRESS
EACH NEED

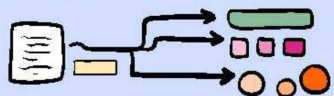
PIVOTING TO ADDRESS
EMERGING ISSUES
AS NEEDED

BASED ON THE
DEVELOPED
CRITERIA

1 COLLECT DATA



RIGOROUS PUBLIC
HEALTH PROCESS

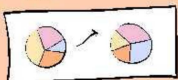
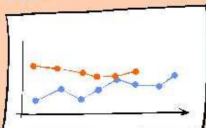
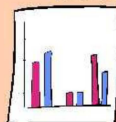
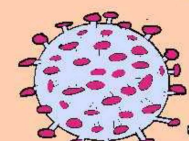


OUR
GOALS:

PARTNER
EMPOWERMENT
& COMMITMENT



PARTNERS BRING
PASSION & SUPPORT



WE GROUP THE WORK INTO FIVE POPULATION DOMAINS

Women/Maternal
Health

Perinatal/Infant
Health

Children

Youth

Children and
Youth with Special
Healthcare Needs
(CYSHCN)

ALMOST 100 PARTNERS HELPED PICK THE PRIORITIES IN APRIL 2025

Volunteering to
Help Action Plan

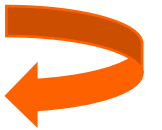


Thanks for Participating!



TEN PRIORITY NEEDS WERE IDENTIFIED FOR 2025-2030

- Improving Mental and Behavioral Health for Women
- Reducing Maternal Mortality and Morbidity
- Promoting Women's Preventative Care
- Reducing Preterm Births
- Improving Infant's Overall Health & Access to Care (wrapped into this priority)
- Increasing Access to Preventative Health Services for Children through Screening and Referrals
- Supporting Youth Mental Health
- Supporting Reproductive Health & Well-Being in Youth
- Increasing Access to Early Screening and Identification for CYSCHN
- Increasing Access to Mental and Behavioral Health Services for CYSHCN



OUR ASK

Please review the objectives and strategies on the next slides.

Click on this [survey link](#) to give us feedback for each priority.

Give us feedback.

1 **PRIORITY NEED**

➡ Objective1: Description

- Strategy

Objective2: Description

- Strategy
- ➡ • Strategy

Your job is to tell us...

Are these the “right” strategies?

What are we missing?

Will these strategies impact the objective?

Are the objectives meaningful/relevant?

Will the strategies and objectives address the need?

WOMEN/MATERNAL HEALTH NEEDS

1. Improving Mental and Behavioral Health for Women
2. Reducing Maternal Mortality and Morbidity
3. Promoting Women's Preventive Care

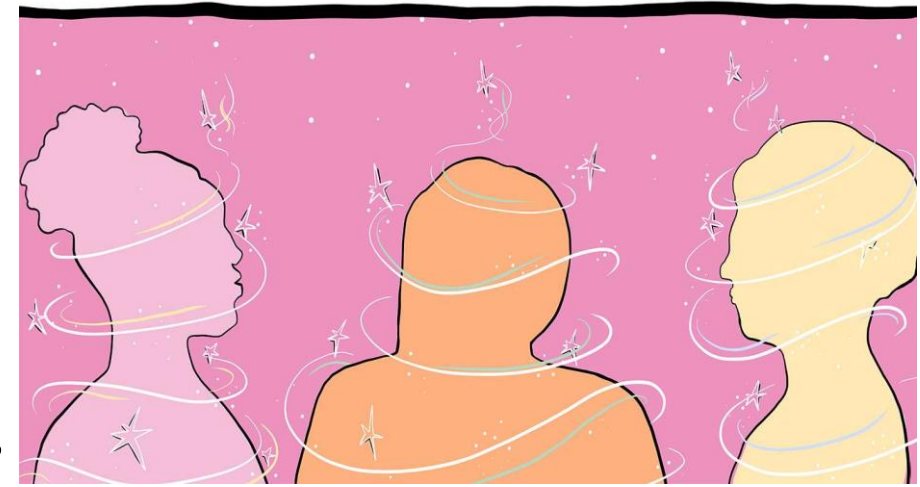
Main partners for the Action Plan

- Clinics and hospitals
- WIC
- Prenatal Plus Program (through Nebraska Medicaid)
- Nebraska Perinatal Quality Improvement Collaborative
- Home Visiting Programs
- 988
- Maternal Mortality Review Committee
- Community Health Workers
- Federally Qualified Health Centers
- Title X Clinics



*Women Domain
Workgroup Members*

1 IMPROVING MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FOR WOMEN



➡ Objective 1: Increase mental health screenings and referrals

- Promote community collaborative care model and universal screening for depression and anxiety at every well-check, prenatal and postpartum care, and pediatrician visit

➡ Objective 2: Increase access to mental health support and resources

- Promote universal screening at community-based services for pregnant and postpartum women
- Promote mental health resources for women/mothers to reduce stigma around mental health

For more information, visit [Nebraska Title V Needs Assessment Issue Briefs](#).

2 REDUCING MATERNAL MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY

➡ Objective 1: Improve maternal health outcomes in areas with disparities

- Map maternity care services and providers in NE to understand gaps and capabilities of the perinatal health care system and identify needs in areas with longer distances to care
- Explore and use alternative delivery methods to improve access to prenatal and postpartum care services
- Pilot universal home visiting to identify women who need support and services

➡ Objective 2: Increase connection to services

- Improve coordination for preventive screening at every point-of-access for families
- Promote community collaborative care for prenatal and postpartum mothers
- Leverage and maximize the postpartum coverage extension under Medicaid to ensure coverage through 12 months postpartum



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PROMOTING WOMEN'S PREVENTIVE CARE



➔ Objective 1: Increase the percent of women who have an annual preventive visit

- Improve coordination for preventive screening at every point-of-access for families
- Promote medical homes for women by partnering with Title X clinics and FQHCs

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PERINATAL/INFANT NEEDS

1. Reducing Preterm Births
2. Improving Overall Health and Access to Care

Main partners for the Action Plan

- Nebraska Perinatal Quality Improvement Collaborative
- MMRC
- ALIGN Nebraska
- UNMC Centering Pregnancy
- Local and Tribal Health Departments



*Infant Domain
Workgroup Members*

4 REDUCING PRETERM BIRTHS

➔ Objective 1: Increase percent of birthing hospitals with a maternal level of care designation

- Define maternal/prenatal levels of care through perinatal regionalization to ensure facilities are equipped to deliver care appropriate for individual medical needs
- Develop and promote education campaign to increase awareness of need for risk-appropriate PNC and how to address risk factors for PTB, promote awareness of presumptive eligibility
- Tie education campaign to strategy to address perinatal health via alternative delivery method



IMPROVING OVERALL HEALTH AND ACCESS TO CARE

➔ This will not be a separate goal for 2025-2030 and strategies/activities to impact Infants will be combined with the Children's activities (see the next two slides).



CHILDREN NEEDS

1. Increasing Access to Preventive Services through Screening & Referral

Main partners for the Action Plan

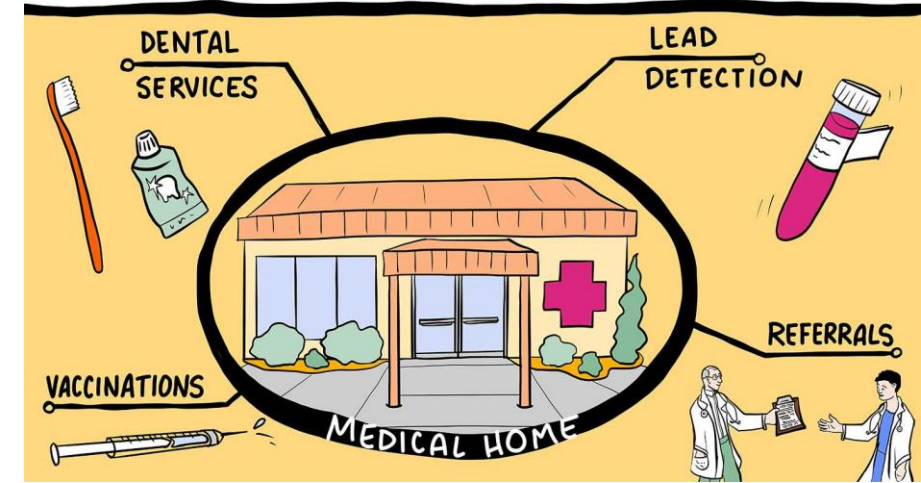
- Clinics and Hospitals, Community Health Workers
- Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention
- Office of Oral Health and Dentistry
- Local and tribal health departments
- WIC
- Home Visiting (MIECHV, Family Connects, SixPence, Early Head Start, etc)
- Child Death Review Team
- Newborn Screening and the Early Hearing, Detection, and Intervention Program
- Nebraska Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program



*Children Domain
Workgroup
Members*

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INCREASING ACCESS TO PREVENTIVE SERVICES THROUGH SCREENING & REFERRAL



➔ Objective 1: Increase percent of children who have an annual preventive health visit and dental health checks

- Improve coordination for preventive screening at every point-of-access for families
- Promote awareness of developmental screenings, resources, and preventive services to families
- Support local capacity to provide dental services through LHDs

➔ Objective 2: Increase percentage of children with follow-up for high blood lead levels and dental needs that require treatment

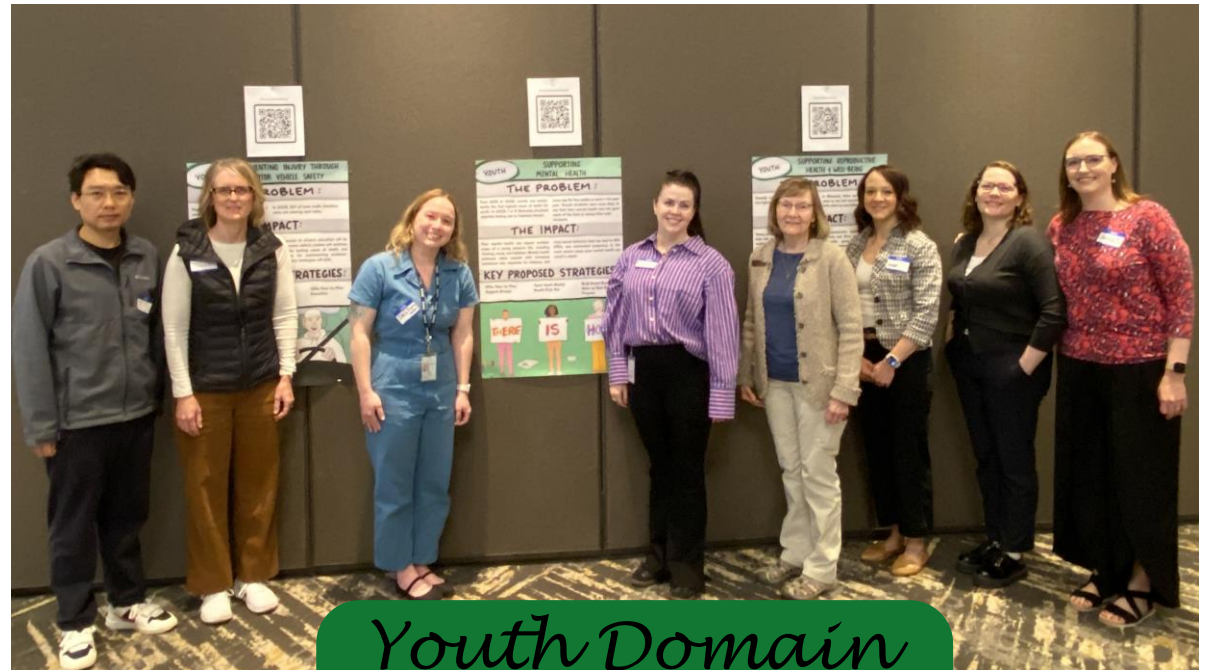
- Link families with high blood lead levels to key services through referral and outreach
- Link families with positive screens for dental treatment with providers

YOUTH NEEDS

1. Supporting Youth Mental Health
2. Supporting Reproductive Health & Well-Being for Youth

Main partners for the Action Plan

- Nebraska Department of Education
- Educational Service Units across Nebraska, school districts, and schools
- Child Death Review Team
- Adolescent and Reproductive Health Program
- Reproductive health clinics



*Youth Domain
Workgroup
Members*

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SUPPORTING YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH



➔ Objective 1: Leverage social networks to support youth mental health

- Improve youth mental health using peer-to-peer support programs with a positive youth development framework
- Promote mental health in schools by promoting the Nebraska Department of Education initiatives
- Reduce mental health stigma by supporting local community awareness campaigns

For more information, visit [Nebraska Title V Needs Assessment Issue Briefs](#).

7 SUPPORTING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH & WELL-BEING FOR YOUTH



➔ Objective 1: Improve utilization of reproductive health and well-being services

- Promote reproductive health through outreach and education with youth-serving professionals
- Promote positive youth development through peer-to-peer support programs

➔ Objective 2: Build youth capacity to have conversation with adults about reproductive health and well-being

- Support parent-child communication
- Incorporate reproductive health interventions into mentorship programs
- Build statewide capacity for mentorship

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS (CYSHCN) NEEDS

1. Increasing Access to Early Screening and Identification
2. Increasing Access to Mental and Behavioral Health Services

Main partners for the Action Plan

- PTI Nebraska
- Nebraska Department of Education
- Educational Service Units across Nebraska, school districts, and schools
- Early Development Network
- Munroe-Meyer Institute
- Medically Handicapped Children's Program
- Newborn Screening and the Early Hearing, Detection, and Intervention Program
- Nebraska Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program



*CYSHCN Domain
Workgroup Members*

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INCREASING ACCESS TO EARLY SCREENING AND IDENTIFICATION



➔ Objective 1: Improve the percentage of families that have a medical home

- Build capacity with ESUs to screen, identify, and refer families to patient centered medical homes

➔ Objective 2: Increase provider knowledge about available screening resources for CYSHCN

- Promote materials about early intervention to health care providers, ESUs, MHCP clinics/providers, and community-based organizations
- Promote available screening options to health care providers and community partners (including MHCP)

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INCREASING ACCESS TO MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES



➡ Objective 1: Increase the percentage of CYSHCN with mental/behavioral health needs who are receiving services

- Use CHWs, PRCs, and patient navigators to provide care coordination services for mental/behavioral health
- Develop a centralized resource hub with expertise to triage, screen, refer, and support CYSHCN in mental health crisis

➡ Objective 2: Increase use of resources by building connections among families, providers, and ESUs

- Strengthen collaborations between partners to increase support and assistance for CYSHCN families
- Build family awareness and knowledge of existing programs and support by hosting sessions at family-centered conferences in Nebraska

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NEXT STEPS



DRAFT ACTION PLAN
AND GET FEEDBACK



SUBMIT PLAN TO
FEDERAL PARTNERS AT
END OF JULY 2025



BUILD PARTNERSHIPS
NOW THROUGH
OCTOBER



BEGIN WORK IN
OCTOBER 2025