It's amazing what they absorb before they're five.
Today’s Agenda

• Overview of Home Visiting
• Home Visiting in Illinois: A Case Study
• Q&A/Policy Discussion
• Special Guests: Parent Participant and Home Visitor
• Other priorities/items for discussion?
Overview of Home Visiting

• Why home visiting?
  – Philosophical underpinnings and approach

• What is home visiting?
  – Common service elements
  – Evidence-based
  – Eligibility/target population
  – Outcomes

• What is the landscape?
  – MIECHV
  – Funding Streams/Sustainable Financing Mechanisms
  – Models
  – Differences across states
Home Visiting in Illinois: A Case Study

- Long history of recognizing importance of home visiting and being a national leader
- Current system:
  - Nearly $50M per year in state and federal funding (FY15)
  - Serves over 17,000 families per year
  - Over 200 programs across the state
- Hallmarks:
  - Collaborative Funding Streams
  - “Big Tent” Approach
## Collaborative Funding Streams

- Illinois Department of Human Services
- Illinois State Board of Education
- MIECHV
- Ounce of Prevention Fund

## “Big Tent” Approach

- Early Head Start
- Healthy Families Illinois
- Parents As Teachers
- Nurse-Family Partnership
- Innovative Approaches
Home Visiting in Illinois: A Case Study

• Home Visiting Task Force
  – Diverse group of stakeholders
  – Forum for connecting research, practice, and policy

• Enhancements and innovations
  – Home Visiting for Homeless Families
  – Home Visiting-Child Welfare Pilot
  – Universal Newborn Support System
  – Infant Mental Health Consultation
  – MIECHV competitive grant

• Learning from other states’ innovations
  – CA: LA County Welcome Baby Initiative
  – ME: HP 1105 (2011)
  – OK: Medicaid Financing for HV
  – TX: SB 426 (2013)
Q&A/Policy Discussion

- Questions about home visiting or home visiting in Illinois?
- What do you find most and/or least compelling about home visiting?
- What does home visiting look like in your state?
- Are you connected with key home visiting stakeholders?
- Are there policy opportunities in your state or at the federal level related to home visiting?
Closing

- Final questions, thoughts, and/or reflections?
- Does this information have any implications for your work?
- What opportunities do you see for home visiting in the future?

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