
MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH FELLOWS

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

#NCSLMCHFELLOWS

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WELCOME!!!



AGENDA FOR THIS AFTERNOON

- House Keeping
- Overviews:
 - The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)
 - The Maternal and Child Health Bureau and Supporting State Maternal and Child Health Policy Innovations Program- Kelsi Feltz, Project Officer
 - About the Maternal and Child Health Fellows program
 - Pre-Test
 - The next three days
- Introductions
 - Let's hear from you!



GROUND RULES

- Assume best intentions.
- *Vegas rules" modified.* Take home the learning, share state examples, be respectful of your colleagues. Please ask permission to quote other Fellows. This is a safe space to discuss state issues and ask questions.
- Please take phone calls and emails outside of the room.
- It's encouraged to use your phones to tweet, research or look at slides on the NCSL App!



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THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES

- Bipartisan membership organization
 - All 50 states and the territories
 - 7,383 state legislators
 - All state legislative staff (30,000+)
- Goals:
 - To improve the quality & effectiveness of state legislatures
 - To promote policy innovation and communication among state legislatures
 - To ensure states a strong, cohesive voice in the federal system
- Research, education, technical assistance
- Voice of the states



PUBLICATIONS, LEGISLATIVE TRACKING DATABASES & RESOURCES



Meeting and Program Support



Welcome – Supporting State Maternal and Child Health Policy Innovations Program (MCH PIP)

Kelsi Feltz, MPH

Policy Analyst/Project Officer, Office of Policy and Planning (OPP)

Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)



Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

- Primary federal agency for improving health care to people who are geographically isolated, economically or medically vulnerable.
- Tens of millions of Americans annually receive quality, affordable health care and other services through HRSA's 90-plus programs and more than 3,000 grantees.

HRSA Program Areas

- > Health Centers
- > Health Workforce
- > HIV/AIDS & Ryan White
- > Maternal & Child Health
- > National Health Service Corps
- > Organ Donation & Transplantation
- > Federal Office of Rural Health Policy
- > 340B Drug Pricing
- > Injury Compensation
- > data.HRSA.gov
- > American Indian/Alaskan Native
- > Poison Help



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HRSA and MCHB – where do we fit?



Secretary, HHS
Alex Azar



Associate Administrator, MCHB
Dr. Michael Warren



Administrator, HRSA
Dr. George Sigounas



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Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)

- **Mission:** To improve the health of America's mothers, children and families.
- **Areas of focus:**
 - Maternal/Women's Health
 - Adolescent/Young Adult Health
 - Perinatal/Infant Health
 - Children with Special Health Care Needs
 - Child Health



MCHB Budget History

FY 2019 Total Budget: \$1.33 billion

Maternal and Child Health Bureau Programs	FY 2019 Enacted
Maternal and Child Health Block Grant	678
Maternal, Infant, & Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Mandatory)	400
Healthy Start	123
Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities	51
Emergency Medical Services for Children	22
James T. Walsh Universal Newborn Hearing Screening	18
Heritable Disorders Program	16
Pediatric Mental Health Care Access	10
Family-To-Family Health Information Centers (Mandatory)	6
Screening and Treatment for Maternal Depression	5
Sickle Cell Services Demonstration Program	4
Total, Program Level	1,333



MCH PIP: Tackling State Priorities

• **MCHB Associate Administrator:**
Dr. Michael Warren, MD, MPH, FAAP



- **MCH PIP Partners:**
- National Conference of State Legislatures
 - National Academy for State Health Policy
 - Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs
 - Association of State and Territorial Health Officials



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MCH Priorities

- Infant and maternal mortality
- Opioid epidemic
- MCH Disparities by Race/Place
- Influence of social factors on health



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What's Next? Funding Opportunities and Resources

- **HRSA MCHB**
 - **Title V Information System** – data source on federal/state partnerships for MCH programs
 - **Funding Opportunities**
 - <https://mchb.hrsa.gov/fundingopportunities/>
- **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)**
 - Pending application release Spring 2019
 - **Integrated Care for Kids (InCK) Model**
 - <https://innovation.cms.gov/initiatives/integrated-care-for-kids-model/>
 - **Maternal Opioid Misuse (MOM) Model**
 - <https://innovation.cms.gov/initiatives/maternal-opioid-misuse-model/>



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OVERVIEW OF THE NEXT NINE MONTHS (39-40 WEEKS IS REALLY TEN MONTHS...)

■ Events

- January 25-27th- Kick off Meeting
- Webinar #1- Friday March 1st – 12 p.m. MT/2 p.m. ET
- Webinar #2- Friday April 12th– 12 p.m. MT/2 p.m. ET
- 2nd Meeting- June 23-24th (travel on June 22), Denver, CO; *Possibly June 18-19th (travel on June 17th)*
 - *Following this meeting will be NCSL's Health and Human Services Chairs Meeting*

■ **Technical assistance** is available throughout 2019. Examples include:

- Informational Memos
- Providing testimony or helping identify experts
- Supporting a hearing or informational session in your state
- Connecting you with national experts, other legislators, state officials, etc.



Meeting Objectives

Build knowledge about new research and policy

Exchange ideas and solutions related to maternal and child health

Meet and learn from other legislative leaders

Connect with leading researchers and policy experts

Identify practical information to use in your state and develop action steps

Have fun! 😊



MEETING SESSIONS THIS WEEKEND

- Friday January 25th
 - Welcome and Overview
 - Networking with Fellows
 - *Joint Dinner Session*- Hear from former NCSL Fellows
- Saturday January 26th
 - MCH Policy 102
 - Working with your state department of health
 - *Joint Session*- Medicaid 1115 Waivers
 - *Joint Session*- Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)
 - Mental Health- Children and Maternal
- Sunday January 27th
 - Infant Mortality and Maternal Mortality
 - Looking forward



CONTENT FOR JUNE MEETING & WEBINARS

- Medicaid
 - In schools
 - Waivers
- Childhood Obesity & Nutrition
- Immunizations/Vaccinations
- Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS)
- Newborn screening
- Possibly:
 - Infertility and In Vitro Fertilization
 - Reducing Teen Pregnancy
 - Reducing Suicide
 - Other areas identified at this meeting



WALK THE TALK! A (MOSTLY) HEALTHY MEETING!

- Exercise Opportunities
 - Fitness Center
 - Optional group walk tomorrow
- Healthy Food Options
- Feel free to stand or stretch!
- Breaks

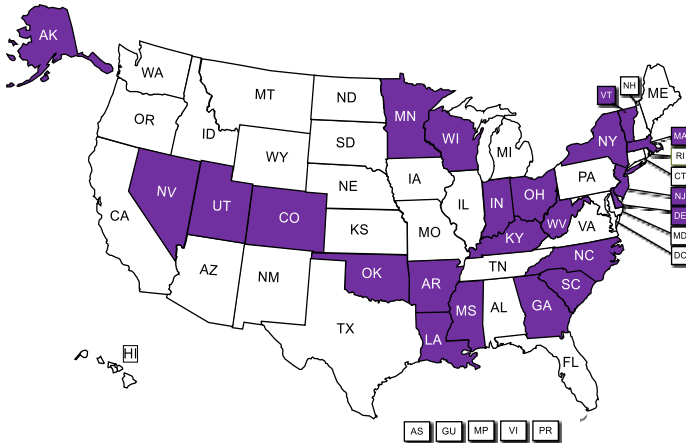


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2019 MCH FELLOW INTRODUCTIONS



- Name
- State
- What are you hoping to take away from this Fellowship program?



Networking with Opioid Policy Fellows

Reception includes:

****Cash Bar****

Appetizers and soft drinks are available as a part of the program

Dinner is at 6 p.m.

Tomorrow- Breakfast is from 7:30-8 a.m.

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