

**Michigan Department of Community Health and the
Great Start System Team
Affordable Care Act:
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program
UPDATE
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This is the fifth in a series of communications with individuals and organizations who are interested in Michigan's response to the *Affordable Care Act (ACA) Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)* that was issued by HHS on June 10, 2010. For information about the requirements of this program, please go to <http://apply07.grants.gov/apply/UpdateOffer?id=19148> where you can view and download the FOA referenced above.

On August 19, 2010 the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and Administration for Children and Families (ACF) issued the [Supplemental Information Request for the Submission of the Statewide Needs Assessment](#) (Home Visiting Needs Assessment – OMB Control No. 0915-0333). This guidance document describes the second step in a three-step process that States must complete in order to receive FY 2010 ACA *Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program* funding. The Statewide Needs Assessment is due Sept. 20, 2010.

The Great Start System Team and its Home Visiting Workgroup have begun the process of conducting the Needs Assessment in accordance with the federal guidance. It is anticipated that HHS will provide further clarification on the guidance document this week.

Ongoing communications in this series of Updates about the Home Visiting program in Michigan will be distributed to interested stakeholders and posted on the following web sites:

Maternal Infant Health Program web site at www.michigan.gov/mihp
ECIC web site at www.greatstartforkids.org

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