THE MATERNAL INFANT HEALTH PROGRAM (MIHP)

An information sheet for health care providers and partners



SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES DURING PREGNANCY AND INFANCY

What is the Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP)?

MIHP is a **statewide evidence-based, home visiting program** for pregnant people, infants and their families **at no cost to them**. Eligible families are partnered with registered nurses and licensed social workers who provide **care coordination and intervention services during pregnancy and infancy**. Support can also include services from a registered dietitian, International Board-Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC®) and Infant Mental Health Specialist. MIHP providers are certified by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).

Who is Eligible?

- Medicaid-eligible pregnant people.
- Medicaid-eligible families with infants under 12 months of age.
 Visits may continue to 18 months of age based on family needs.





MAKE A REFERRAL

Referrals may be initiated by anyone. Referrals made during pregnancy are encouraged to allow for early risk screening and comprehensive service coordination.

- Review our agency directory: www.Michigan.gov/MIHP.
- Contact an agency directly, OR
- Have the eligible family contact an agency directly.

Partnering to Supplement Your Care

MIHP visits do not replace pregnancy-related care nor infant-related care. In fact, we help families access these services and other resources to improve outcomes.

The MIHP can supplement clinical care to help families have a healthy pregnancy and healthy baby. For example, the MIHP can assist families in accessing transportation services to attend appointments, sign up for WIC, obtain breastfeeding support, get connected with local birth and parenting groups, and more.

SUPPORTING THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES ACROSS MICHIGAN

Our vision is that all babies, families and communities in Michigan are healthy and thriving.

BENEFITS FOR FAMILIES

Visits are tailored to each family's needs and may provide support in areas such as:

- Accessing prenatal and postpartum care
- Birth and parenting classes
- Breastfeeding
- Community resources
- Coordinating services to improve access to care
- Family planning
- Housing
- Immunizations

- Infant health and development
- Managing chronic health conditions
- Mental health
- Nutrition
- Positive parenting practices
- Social support
- Substance misuse
- Transportation
- Well-child visits
- WIC and other state benefits

SPREAD THE WORD: Inform Families and Partners

Distribute the MIHP <u>Family Information Sheet</u>.

Consider adding this handout to existing materials and communication channels such as:

- Prenatal education packets.
- Hospital discharge paperwork.
- Postpartum follow-ups.
- Well-child visit materials.
- Community resource directories.
- Patient portals.
- Professional networks.
- Any other point of contact with eligible families and partners.

