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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, Feb. 19, 2015

### **HHS awards \$3,344,479 to Alaska to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Alaska's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$3,344,479 in grant awards to Alaska to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Alaska to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

“Home visits by a nurse, social worker, or early childhood educator during pregnancy and in the first years of life can make a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families,” said Secretary Burwell. “Today’s awards give Alaska the flexibility to tailor its home visiting programs to address the specific needs of the communities it serves.”

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### **HHS awards \$1,000,000 to Iowa to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Iowa's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$1,000,000 in grant awards to Iowa to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Iowa to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

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### **HHS awards \$4,200,000 to Idaho to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Idaho's youngest children*

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### **HHS awards \$13,415,508 to Illinois to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Illinois's youngest children*

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“Home visits by a nurse, social worker, or early childhood educator during pregnancy and in the first years of life can make a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families,” said Secretary Burwell. “Today’s awards give Illinois the flexibility to tailor its home visiting programs to address the specific needs of the communities it serves.”

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### **HHS awards \$1,126,895 to Nevada to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Nevada's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$1,126,895 in grant awards to Nevada to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Nevada to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

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### **HHS awards \$1,000,000 to South Dakota to support families through the home visiting program** *Program invests in South Dakota's youngest children*

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### **HHS awards \$11,931,494 to Tennessee to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Tennessee's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$11,931,494 in grant awards to Tennessee to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Tennessee to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

“Home visits by a nurse, social worker, or early childhood educator during pregnancy and in the first years of life can make a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families,” said Secretary Burwell. “Today’s awards give Tennessee the flexibility to tailor its home visiting programs to address the specific needs of the communities it serves.”

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### **HHS awards \$20,957,960 to Texas to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Texas's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$20,957,960 in grant awards to Texas to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Texas to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

“Home visits by a nurse, social worker, or early childhood educator during pregnancy and in the first years of life can make a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families,” said Secretary Burwell. “Today’s awards give Texas the flexibility to tailor its home visiting programs to address the specific needs of the communities it serves.”

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### **HHS awards \$1,043,901 to Utah to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Utah's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$1,043,901 in grant awards to Utah to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Utah to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

“Home visits by a nurse, social worker, or early childhood educator during pregnancy and in the first years of life can make a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families,” said Secretary Burwell. “Today’s awards give Utah the flexibility to tailor its home visiting programs to address the specific needs of the communities it serves.”

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### **HHS awards \$8,203,099 to Virginia to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Virginia's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$8,203,099 in grant awards to Virginia to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Virginia to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

“Home visits by a nurse, social worker, or early childhood educator during pregnancy and in the first years of life can make a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families,” said Secretary Burwell. “Today’s awards give Virginia the flexibility to tailor its home visiting programs to address the specific needs of the communities it serves.”

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### **HHS awards \$1,000,000 to Vermont to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Vermont's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$1,000,000 in grant awards to Vermont to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Vermont to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

“Home visits by a nurse, social worker, or early childhood educator during pregnancy and in the first years of life can make a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families,” said Secretary Burwell. “Today’s awards give Vermont the flexibility to tailor its home visiting programs to address the specific needs of the communities it serves.”

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### **HHS awards \$11,459,200 to Washington to support families through the home visiting program** *Program invests in Washington's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$11,459,200 in grant awards to Washington to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Washington to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

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*Program invests in Wisconsin's youngest children*

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### **HHS awards \$10,400,000 to West Virginia to support families through the home visiting program** *Program invests in West Virginia's youngest children*

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### **HHS awards \$1,000,000 to Wyoming to support families through the home visiting program**

*Program invests in Wyoming's youngest children*

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell today announced \$1,000,000 in grant awards to Wyoming to support the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program). These funds will allow Wyoming to continue to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to women during pregnancy and to parents with young children. Nationally, \$386 million was awarded to states, territories, and nonprofit organizations to support the Home Visiting Program.

“Home visits by a nurse, social worker, or early childhood educator during pregnancy and in the first years of life can make a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families,” said Secretary Burwell. “Today’s awards give Wyoming the flexibility to tailor its home visiting programs to address the specific needs of the communities it serves.”

The Home Visiting Program currently serves approximately one-third of the counties in the country with high rates of the following indicators: low birth weight, teen birth rate, living in poverty and infant mortality rates. More than 1.4 million home visits have been conducted through the national Home Visiting Program, serving parents and children in 721 counties in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and five territories. In 2014, the Home Visiting Program served 115,000 parents and children across the nation. Nearly 80 percent of families participating in the program had household incomes at or below the 100 percent of the Federal Poverty Level.

“The Home Visiting Program gives parents who chose to participate, the tools they need to support healthy outcomes for their children,” said Mary Wakefield, Ph.D., RN, administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). “Evidence-based home visiting services are proven to help improve maternal and child health, prevent child abuse and neglect, and enhance school-readiness.”

Administered by HRSA, in close partnership with the Administration for Children and Families, the Home Visiting Program is one part of President Obama’s Early Learning Initiative that focuses on both high-quality infant and toddler care through Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships and universal Pre-K to improve the essential foundations in early childhood for future healthy development and well-being. Current authority for the Home Visiting Program expires on March 31, 2015. The President’s Budget requests \$500 million for fiscal year 2016 and \$15 billion over the next 10 years to continue to expand Home Visiting for families.

For more information on HRSA's Home Visiting Program, visit <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs/homevisiting>.

For a list of awardees, visit [www.hrsa.gov/about/news/2015tables/homevisiting](http://www.hrsa.gov/about/news/2015tables/homevisiting).

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