

Home Visiting Works

Why home visiting is important to infant and early childhood development?



Infant Mental Health

Infant mental health is a field dedicated to promoting the

- **social and emotional well-being of all infants, toddlers, and families within the context of secure and nurturing relationships.**

Infant mental health services

- **support the growth of healthy attachment relationships in early infancy, reducing the risk of delays or disorders and enhancing enduring strengths.**



Current Efforts

- The Tennessee Department of Health funds eleven (11) agencies to deliver EBHV services in 51 counties.



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3,476

The number of **families who** received services from one of the evidence-based, research-based or “promising approach” home visiting programs administered by TDH in FY15.

TN Outcomes

- ↑ Immunization Status
- ↑ Breastfeeding Initiation
- ↑ Screening of Child Development
- ↓ Child Abuse and Neglect

Teachable Moments

- **M**odeling
- **E**ncouraging
- **T**eaching

"Thanks to Home Visiting I am a confident good mother to my two children. This program has helped me learn more about my children and myself. It helped me with every social connection needed whenever the need arose, something that I would not be able to do alone." - Belinda





" really enjoy my home visits. My child and I have benefitted GREATLY from participating. We learned to have healthy communication, eating, and bonding time with one another" -Anon