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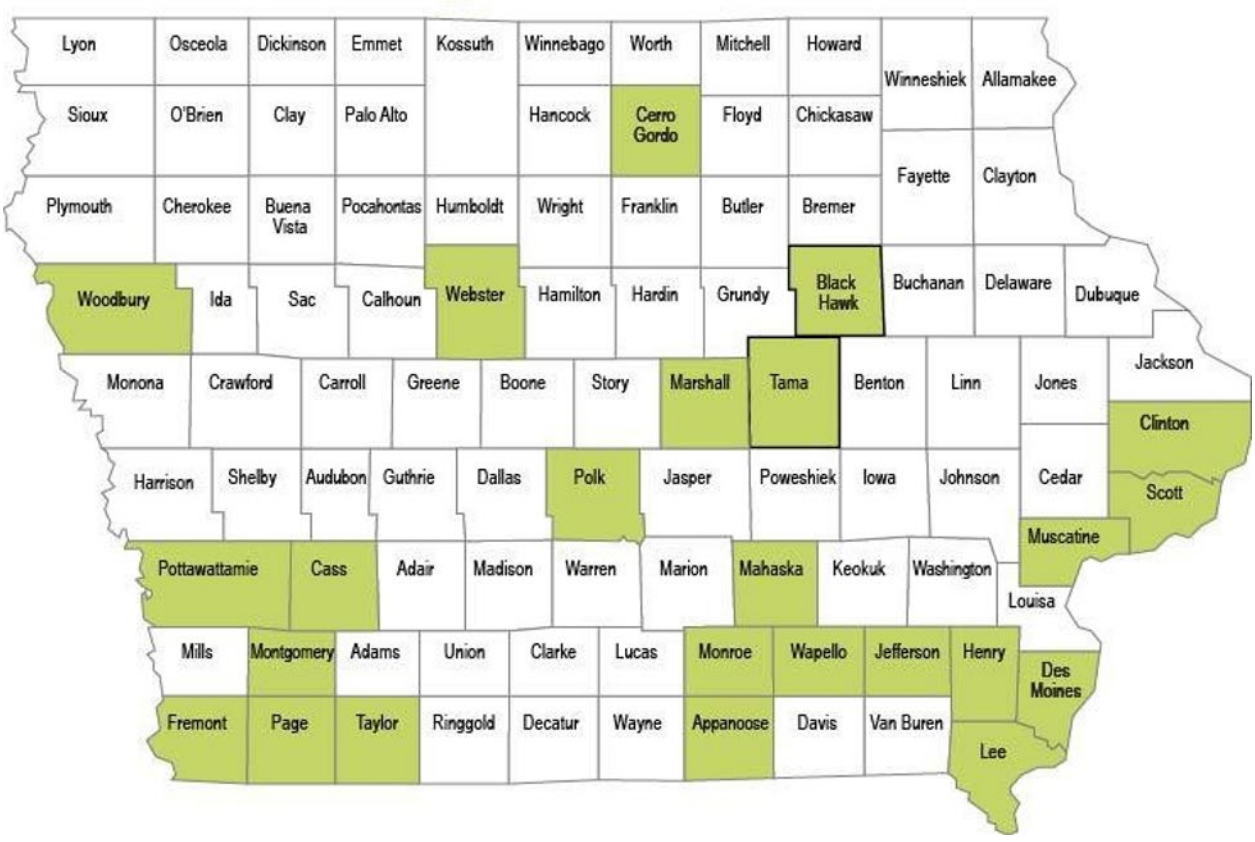
Iowa MIECHV Overview

The Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) provides funding to Iowa for the maternal, infant and early childhood home visitation (MIECHV) program. Contractors are required to use evidence-based home visiting models with fidelity and establish quantifiable, measurable benchmarks that demonstrate improvements in:

- Maternal and child health
- Childhood injury prevention
- School readiness and achievement
- Crime or domestic violence prevention and intervention
- Family economic self-sufficiency
- Coordination with community resources and support

Location of MIECHV Funded Counties



Fiscal Year 2026 Snapshot (October 1st, 2025 – September 30th, 2026)

874 families served and **13,527** home visits provided

27% of primary caregivers did not have a high school diploma
48% of primary caregivers work full or part time
54% of families have a household income of 100% or less of the federal poverty guidelines
98% of children are receiving their well-child exams by their medical provider
97% of eligible parents were screened for postpartum depression
90% of parents practice early literacy skills with their child daily

Developmental Screening Results for MIECHV children

87% on track for communication

90% on track for fine motor

88% on track for gross motor

89% on track for personal & social skills

88% on track for problem solving

Maternal Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program System Building Activities

- DAISEY - Single Web-Based Data Collection and Reporting System
- Iowa Family Support Network (IFSN) - Statewide Coordinated Intake System for Family Support Services and Early Intervention
- Institute for the Advancement of Family Support Professionals – web-based professional development system and national credential for home visitors
- I2D2 - Integrated Data System to determine specific activities that produce better results for families
- Nine2Thrive – Coordinated intake co-located with prenatal health services
- PAEYS – Performance Incentive for Home Visitors and their Supervisors
- Phones4Families – Provides smart devices and data plans for enrolled families
- Workforce Evaluation – What keeps home visitors engaged in the field?
- Evaluation on Parent Engagement – What keeps families engaged in family support programming?
- T.E.A.C.H. provides comprehensive scholarships to family support professionals who wish to obtain college credits toward a degree relevant to their work in family support.
- Mental Health Consultation for MIECHV Supervisors and Family Support professionals is designed to build their capacity to improve social, emotional and behavioral health and development of the young children and families they serve.