

# EXPANDING PATIENT ACCESS TO HOME VISITING PROGRAMS IN ILLINOIS

## SUSTAINING BIRTH EQUITY STRATEGIES: HOW CAN HOME VISITING HELP?

Home visitors meet regularly with clients to build relationships and provide ongoing education and support for pregnant people and parents with young children:

- Support healthy pregnancy practices
- Screenings for patients and families such as mental health, SUD, SDOH and child development
- Provide information on topics such as breastfeeding, safe sleep, nutrition, etc.
- Work with caregivers to set goals for the future
- Connect families to other services and resources in their community



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## HOW CAN HOSPITALS PARTNER WITH HOME VISITING PROGRAMS?

- Identify home visiting programs in your hospital catchment area
- Reach out and establish relationships with home visiting programs that serve your patients
- Identify resources to educate patients and providers on the benefits of home visiting
- Establish a process flow to identify eligible patients and link them to home visiting programs
- Get input from patient/community partners

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*\*This is not a comprehensive list\**

### BRIGHTPOINT HOME VISITING: STRONGER BEGINNINGS FOR FAMILIES

Home visitors offer families guidance during and after pregnancy to improve child health and family wellbeing and link families to community resources - from assistance with basic needs to medical care.

### FAMILY CONNECTS ILLINOIS

Entry way for all families in a community (Chicago, Peoria, and Stephenson counties) to receive customized services and support after welcoming a nurse for a home visit after a child is born. Nurses engage in 1-3 home visits per family.

### HEALTHY START: NURTURING HEALTH, PREVENTING DISPARITIES

Healthy Start invests in communities to improve outcomes before, during, and after pregnancy. The program tailors services to the needs of their communities to help reduce racial and ethnic differences in rates of infant death and maternal health outcomes. Each individual in the program is matched with a care coordinator to cater to unique needs.

### MATERNAL, INFANT, AND EARLY CHILDHOOD HOME VISITING (MIECHV) PROGRAM

Illinois MIECHV funds home visiting programs and home visiting coordinated intake in 15 communities throughout Illinois

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## COORDINATED INTAKE IN ILLINOIS

### Connect Home Visiting Chicago

- 312-771-3028
- [ConnecTeen@luriechildrens.org](mailto:ConnecTeen@luriechildrens.org)

### Cicero

- 312-316-4729
- [ci@family-focus.org](mailto:ci@family-focus.org)

### DuPage County

- 630-221-7077
- [catherine.soto@dupagehealth.org](mailto:catherine.soto@dupagehealth.org)

### East St. Louis

- 618-482-7654
- [rlinzy@cbhcl.org](mailto:rlinzy@cbhcl.org)

### Englewood

- 312-786-5367
- [kyarbrough@childrenshomeandaid.org](mailto:kyarbrough@childrenshomeandaid.org)

### Kane County

- 630-208-5150
- [BarrettLaura@co.kane.il.us](mailto:BarrettLaura@co.kane.il.us)
- [homevisitation@co.kane.il.us](mailto:homevisitation@co.kane.il.us)

### Lake County

- 847-377-8112 OR 847-377-4881
- [igrow@lakecountyyil.gov](mailto:igrow@lakecountyyil.gov)
- [epompilus2@lakecountyyil.gov](mailto:epompilus2@lakecountyyil.gov)
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### Macon County

- 217-423-6988 ext 1343
- [kshiflett@maconchd.org](mailto:kshiflett@maconchd.org)
- [khouse@maconchd.org](mailto:khouse@maconchd.org)

### Madison County

- 800-467-9200 ext 390 or 122
- [sirish@childrenshomeandaid.org](mailto:sirish@childrenshomeandaid.org)
- [helliott@childrenshomeandaid.org](mailto:helliott@childrenshomeandaid.org)

### Oak Park / River Forest

- 708-441-4561
- [jlittle@collab4kids.org](mailto:jlittle@collab4kids.org)
- [ci@eastersealschicago.org](mailto:ci@eastersealschicago.org)

## HOW CAN HOSPITALS FIND HOME VISITING PROGRAMS NEARBY?

Utilize the iGrow coordinated intake list for a single point of entry for home visiting programs in your community OR utilize the iGrow “Search by community” function to connect with local programs if coordinated intake is not available near you. ALL home visiting programs under the Illinois DHS are in the iGrow tool, plus more!

<https://igrowillinois.org/find-a-program/>



### Search by community

Use the interactive map below to find contact information for home visiting programs.



Find Locations Near:

Place:

Street:

State:

Zip:

Select a distance: 10 mi

Search

### Peoria & Tazewell Counties

- [igrowcentralil.org](http://igrowcentralil.org)
- 309-687-7501 OR 309-687-7615
- [areinking@chail.org](mailto:areinking@chail.org) AND [cheider@chail.org](mailto:cheider@chail.org)

### South Suburban Home Visiting Network

- 708-752-9039
- [sshomevisiting@gmail.com](mailto:sshomevisiting@gmail.com)

### Stephenson / Carroll / Jo Daviess Counties

- 815-599-8432, 815-801-4435 OR 815-235-8356
- [dgomez@stephensoncountyyil.gov](mailto:dgomez@stephensoncountyyil.gov)

### Vermilion County

- 217-483-2229
- [HamiltonN@danville118.org](mailto:HamiltonN@danville118.org)
- [dolanm@danville118.org](mailto:dolanm@danville118.org)

### Winnebago County

- 815-720-4315 OR 815-720-4262
- [cfloyd@wchd.org](mailto:cfloyd@wchd.org) AND [cboyd@wchd.org](mailto:cboyd@wchd.org)