



ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024

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PEOPLE SERVED BY OUR HEALTHY START PROGRAMS

Connect 11,820 families | 30,391 services Healthy Start 2,589 families | 82,815 services Nurse-Family Partnership 44 families | 452 home visits

T.E.A.M. Dad 14 fathers served | **2** graduations

Community Education & Outreach

480 outreach efforts provided to prenatal care providers, birthing centers, pediatricians, community agencies and families. Activities included: doula care, car seat safety inspections, safe sleep supplies and education, health and safety screenings.



Increase of 255 Healthy Start Participants from 2022-23

Increase of 12,609 Healthy Start Services from 2022-23



HEALTHY START FUNDING

\$1,354,998 Healthy Start MomCare Network

\$1,812,766 Leveraged

Leveraged Funds \$597,740 **CENTRAL HEALTHY START** is one of 32 Healthy Start Coalitions in the state. The Coalition serves four counties: Citrus, Hernando, Lake and Sumter, most of which are rural with low population density. Income levels within the Coalition are slightly lower than the state. Given its sheer size and demographics, access to prenatal care and health disparities among minorities remain the pressing challenges in this area. Central Healthy Start is dedicated to using its funding strategically to reach a large percentage of the communities we serve—and specifically, families with pregnant women, infants and children up to age three who are most at-risk for poor birth outcomes and need help with healthy child development.

SERVICES include the following:

Home Visiting: One-on-one support in the home or another convenient location; friendly advisors throughout pregnancy and after the baby is born; access to services that are designed to meet unique needs.

Prenatal Education & Support: Information on changes that happen to a woman's body and emotions during pregnancy; what to expect during labor and delivery; nutrition, medicine and exercise that can help or harm a pregnant woman or baby; warning signs of an early delivery.

Breastfeeding Education & Support: Techniques for successful and enjoyable breastfeeding; answers to any questions or concerns about breastfeeding; information on how breastfeeding benefits mom and baby.

Newborn Care: Tips on how to take care of a new baby, keeping baby safe according to the latest safety guidelines on sleep, car seats and more; infant nutrition; proper growth for baby.

Parenting Education & Support: Preparation for baby coming home; tracking and supporting baby's development; ways to play and connect with baby; how to become baby's first teacher.

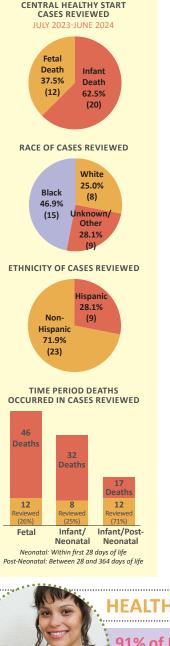
Health & Well-Being: Help with planning for future pregnancies; making healthy lifestyle choices for the family; getting support for feeling anxious, stressed or having the "Baby Blues."

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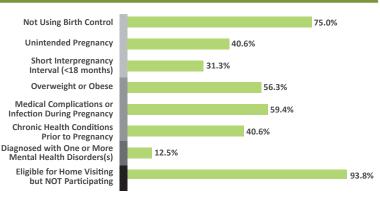
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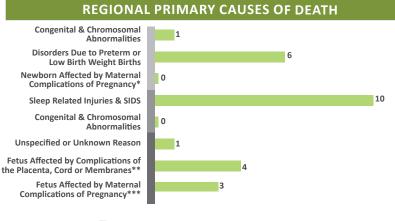
FETAL AND INFANT MORTALITY REVIEW (FIMR)



DATA TRENDS IN CASES REVIEWED BY FIMR



Pre-Pregnancy Health Maternal Conditions Mental Health Home Visiting



Neonatal Period Post-Neonatal Period Fetal

* Premature rupture of membranes, pregnancy related issues ** Placental abnormality, prolapsed cord, choriomeningitis, abruption *** Cervical insufficiency, premature rupture of membranes, multiple pregnancy

HEALTHY START OUTCOMES

91% of Healthy Start intervention participants quit or reduced tobacco use

Healthy Start intervention participants had fewer preterm births (10%) compared to those that accepted Healthy Start services (15%). The general, population had a preterm birth rate of 11%.