

Home Visiting

Changing Outcomes for Infants and Toddlers

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Presentation Objectives

- Introduce evidence-based home visiting as a prevention strategy
- Share insight into the effectiveness of home visiting in improving the well-being of children and families
- Provide a summary of home visiting services available in Fulton County

Evidence-Based Home Visiting

- Provide home visits as the primary service delivery strategy
- Offer services on a voluntary basis
- Provide services to pregnant women or families with children birth to kindergarten entry
- Target specific participant outcomes that promote family functioning and child well-being



Evidence Supporting Home Visiting

- Children's developmental delays and health problems are detected early
- Children enter kindergarten ready to learn and the achievement gap is narrowed
- Parents improve their parenting knowledge and skills
- Parents are more involved in their children's schooling
- Reduced incidences of child abuse and neglect
- Improved birth outcomes such as decreased pre-term births and low-birthweight babies

How does the Program Measure Success?

Each site captures data on 19 performance measures including:

- Safe Sleep
- Breastfeeding
- Early Language Literacy
- Preterm Birth
- Child Maltreatment

Where does your baby sleep?



Home Visiting in Fulton County

Families First:

- 6 Parent's as Teachers Home Visitors
- 120 families served
- Partner with Atlanta Public Schools, Westside Health Collaborative and the GA Department of Public Health



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