



What is Home Visiting?

Home Visiting is a free and voluntary service provided by qualified professionals within the home to parents/families, prenatally and/or with children birth to age three.

Home Visiting programs provide parents with support to enhance the child-parent relationship.

With these enhanced skills, parents can create environments that positively impact their child's social and emotional development and prepare him or her for a happy and productive life.

Home Visiting includes but not limited to the following:

- Pregnant women experience improved prenatal health and babies experience improved birth outcomes;*
- Parents/family is available, responsive, attuned with their infants and young children, supporting optimal social-emotional and cognitive development;*
- Infants and young children experience optimal social-emotional and cognitive development so they are prepared for school success.*

LONG TERM OUTCOMES

- Babies are born healthy*
- Children are nurtured by their parents / caregivers*
- Children are physically and mentally healthy and ready for school*
- Children and families are safe*
- Families are connected to formal and informal supports in their community*

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Why Home Visiting?



Some of our nation's costliest social problems—like child abuse and neglect, school failure, poverty, unemployment, and crime—are rooted in early childhood. Voluntary home visiting matches parents with trained professionals to provide information and support during pregnancy and throughout their child's first three years—a critical developmental period. Quality, voluntary home visiting leads to fewer children in social welfare, mental health, and juvenile corrections systems, with considerable cost savings for states.

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