

MODEL PROFILE

HEALTHY FAMILIES AMERICA

HFA seeks to build and sustain community partnerships to systematically engage overburdened families in home visiting services prenatally or at birth. Additionally, the model aims to cultivate and strengthen nurturing parent-child relationships, promote healthy childhood growth and development, and enhance family functioning by reducing risk and building protective factors.

What is the model's approach to providing home visiting services?

Home visits take place based on a family's level of need. All families are offered weekly home visits for at least 6 months after the birth of the child. Family progress criteria are then used to determine a family's readiness to move to less frequent visits, starting with every other week, then monthly, and finally quarterly visits. Services are provided for a duration of 3 to 5 years. HFA recommends families to initiate services prenatally, if possible, but allows for families to enroll after the child is born. Programs are required to enroll at least 80 percent of families by the time the child is 3 months old.

Local programs define target populations based on community needs data. All families receive an initial risk assessment to tailor services to meet their specific needs.

Who is implementing the model?

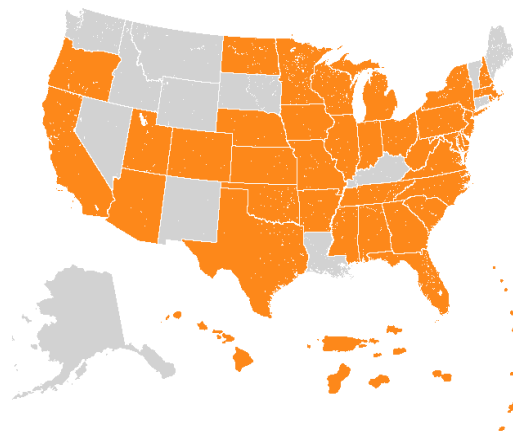
Home Visitors

HFA employed 3,113 full-time home visitors in 2015. The model requires a high school diploma or bachelor's degree for home visitors depending on state or program needs. The maximum caseload requirement for home visitors is 25 families.

Supervisors

HFA requires a master's degree or bachelor's degree plus 3 years of experience for supervisors.

Where is the model implemented?



HFA operated in 575 local agencies across 37 states and the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands in 2015/2016.

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Families Served Through Evidence-Based Home Visiting in 2015



442,390

home visits provided



59,684

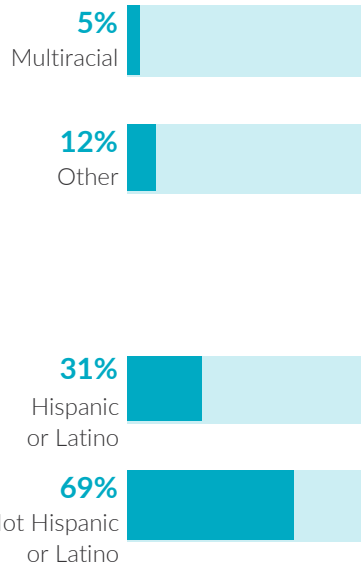
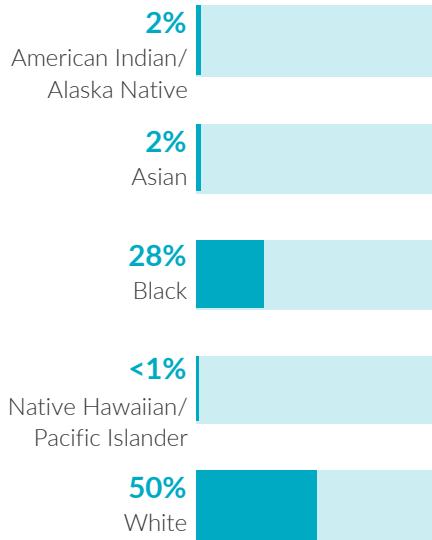
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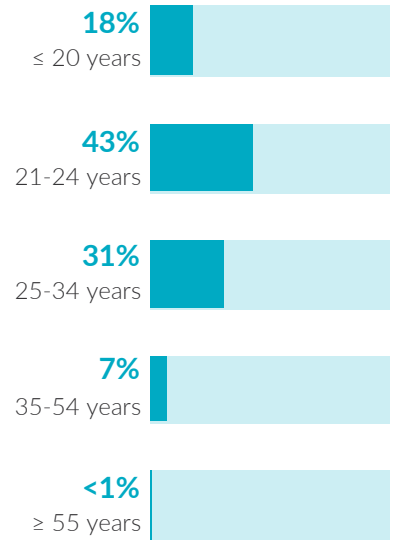
58,721

children served

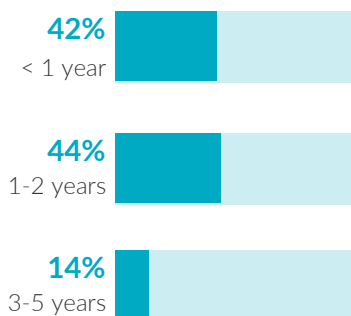
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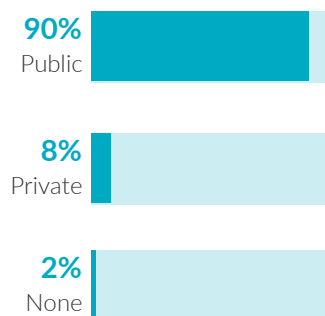
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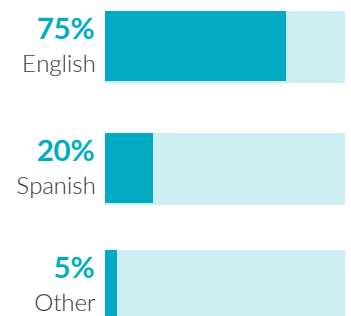
Child age



Child insurance status



Primary language



Note: The number of families and children served represents approximately 75 percent of HFA sites served in 2015.