

### Minding the Baby

Minding the Baby supports reflective parenting, secure attachment, maternal and child health, mental health, and self-efficacy using an interdisciplinary approach with first-time young mothers and their families. The model pairs a social worker and nurse practitioner to support a family's development together.

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

Home visits take place weekly until the child turns 1 year old, then every other week until the child turns 2 years old. The frequency may vary based on a family's level of need or in times of crisis. Services are provided for 27 months (prenatally until the child is 2 years old). Minding the Baby requires families to initiate services prenatally.

Minding the Baby's service population includes the following:

Expectant caregivers

Families with low incomes

First-time caregivers

Caregivers under 21 years old

Families with a history of child abuse or neglect/involvement with child welfare system

### Who is implementing the model?

#### **Home Visitors**

The model recommends a master's degree for home visitors. The maximum caseload requirement for home visitors is 25 families.

#### **Supervisors**

The model requires a master's degree for supervisors; a doctoral degree is recommended.

## Where is the model implemented?



Minding the Baby operated in 2 local agencies in 1 state in 2021. Minding the Baby also operated outside the United States and its territories in Denmark in 2021.

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