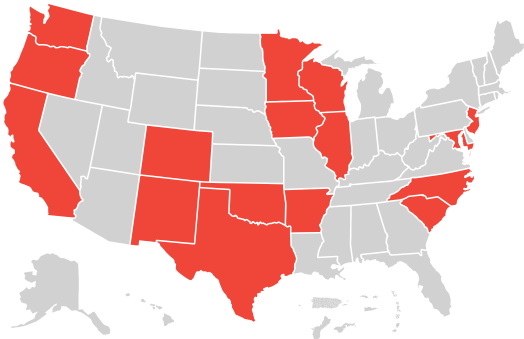


Family Connects

[Family Connects](#) is designed to support whole-person, integrated health for all families of newborns at a moment of life-changing transition. Family Connects nurses are trained to carefully assess newborns and mothers and to discuss concrete next steps to address opportunities and concerns, including seeking immediate medical care when necessary. They work together with families and build from identified strengths to connect them to community resources that meet their needs and preferences. Family Connects nurses also keep the whole family in mind, recommending appropriate mental health services or medical care for other family members as needed—and they follow up to make sure families’ needs are met. Family Connects aims to reach at least 60 to 70 percent of families with newborns in each community it serves.

<p>What is the model's approach to providing home visiting services?</p>	<p>All families in an affiliated community are offered up to three home visits during the first 3 weeks after birth. Home visits last up to 2 hours each. A registered nurse connects with a family in their home shortly after birth to assess the child’s and birthing person’s physical health status (as applicable), assess unique family strengths and challenges, and respond to immediate family needs.</p>
<p>Who is implementing the model?</p>	<p>Home Visitors</p> <p>Family Connects was implemented by 129 full-time equivalent (FTE) home visitors in 2022. Home visiting providers are Registered Nurses with up-to-date professional licenses, who function within the state’s Nurse Practice Act and are trained to provide newborn, caregiver, and family health and psychosocial assessments. Full-time home visitors typically enroll six to eight new families per week.</p> <p>Supervisors</p> <p>Family Connects was implemented by 29 FTE nurse supervisors in 2022.</p>
<p>Where is the model implemented?</p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <p>Family Connects operated in 35 local agencies across 16 states in 2022.</p> </div> </div>

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Family Connects

Families Served Through Evidence-Based Home Visiting in 2022



18,879

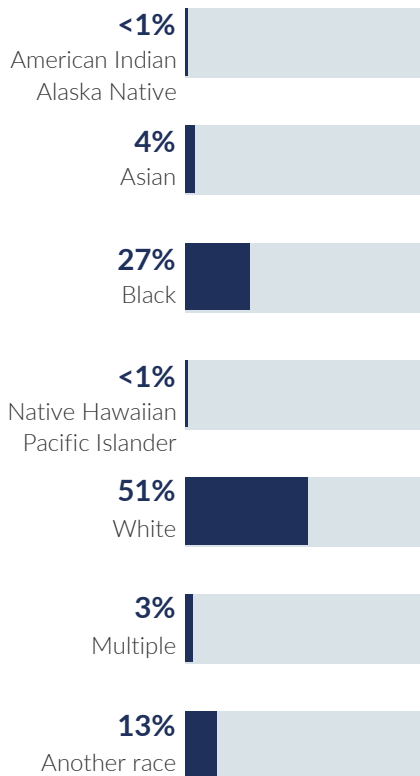
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including 7,529 virtual visits



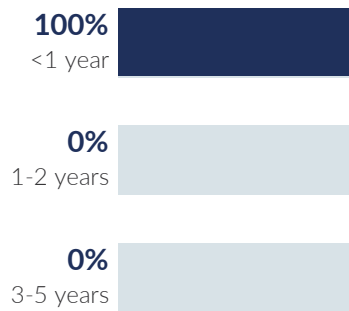
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families served

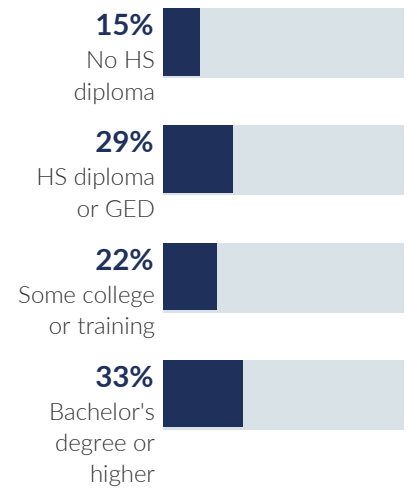
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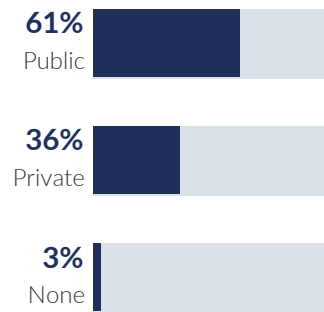
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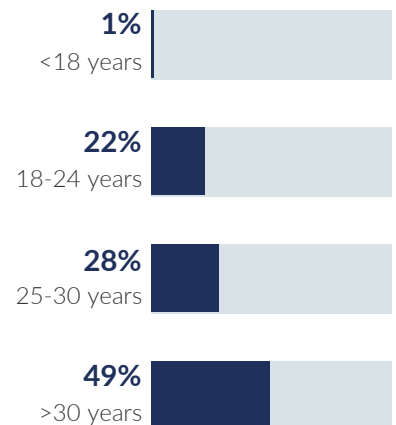
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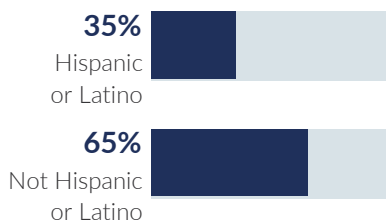
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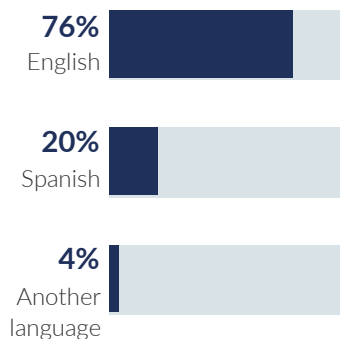
Caregiver age



Caregiver ethnicity



Caregiver primary language



Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding. • The number of home visits includes 10,167 in-person visits, 7,529 virtual visits, and 1,183 follow-up visits.