

# Title V Quick Fact Sheet

## *What Is Title V?*

Title V of the Social Security Act is the Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant and is a federal program devoted to improving the health of all women, children and families. The **Hawai'i State Department of Health/Family Health Services Division (DOH/FHSD)** receives approximately \$2.2 million in Title V funding from the federal government and provides a three dollar match for every four federal dollars allocated.

## *What is Title V Needs Assessment?*

Every five years, the DOH/FHSD is required by Title V Block Grant funding to conduct a statewide needs assessment of the health and well-being of Hawaii's women, children, and youth, including children and youth with special health care needs. The goal of the needs assessment is to collect and examine data to inform the selection of 7 to 10 priorities that will drive DOH/FHSD work for the next five years to improve the health of the maternal and child health population. The next pages provide data for issues that were selected or not selected.

## *New Population Domains*

To better reflect the work of states, the federal government has moved towards population domains instead of focusing on individual issues. These domains are:

- Women's/Maternal Health
- Perinatal/Infant's Health
- Child Health
- Children with Special Health Care Needs
- Adolescent Health
- Cross-Cutting or Life Course

## *New and Continuing Priorities*

DOH/FHSD worked with on-going projects so as not to duplicate efforts and identified the need for continued focus on issues from the last needs assessment. Two priorities were added to reflect growing interest. Our priorities are:

- Promote Reproductive Life Planning
- Reduce Infant Mortality: Promote Breastfeeding and Safe Sleep Practices 
- Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect
- Promote Early Childhood Screening and Development
- Promote Adolescent Well-Being 
- Promote Transition to Adult Health Care
- Improve Oral Health
- Improve Access to Services through Telehealth 

## *Comments?*

To comment on the priorities, please go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2015 v>. Mahalo!

## *Next Steps*

Leaders for the identified priorities, in partnership with key stakeholders, will begin planning for the next three to five years. If you have questions, or would like to work on a priority area, please contact Annette Mente, FHSD Planner, (808) 733-8358, [annette.mente@doh.hawaii.gov](mailto:annette.mente@doh.hawaii.gov).



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