California Home Visiting Program Report Card

California Home Visiting Program (CHVP) finished its third year of the program in September 2014. CHVP was mandated to show improvement in at least four of six Benchmarks from Year 1 to Year 3. CHVP showed improvement in five of the six Benchmarks, surpassing the minimum requirement. At the close of September 2014, CHVP had enrolled 2,958 families and completed 49,744 home visits, reaching a caseload capacity of 93%. CHVP continues to be a national leader among state-run home visiting programs.

Home Visiting Benchmarks

- **Maternal & Newborn Health (6 of 8)**
  - Prenatal care
  - Parental use of alcohol, tobacco, or illicit drugs
  - Inter-birth intervals
  - Well-child visits
  - Maternal and child health insurance status
  - Breastfeeding
  - Preconception care
  - Screening for maternal depressive symptoms

- **School Readiness & Achievement (6 of 9)**
  - Parent support for child’s learning and development
  - Parent knowledge of child development and of child’s developmental progress
  - Parenting behaviors and the parent-child relationship
  - Child’s communication, language and emergent literacy
  - Child’s general cognitive skills
  - Child’s physical health and development
  - Parent emotional well-being or parenting stress
  - Child’s positive approaches to learning, including attention
  - Child’s social behavior, emotional regulation and emotional well-being

- **Prevention of Child Injuries, Child Abuse/Neglect & Emergency Department Visits (5 of 7)**
  - Visits of mothers to the emergency department
  - Incidence of child injuries requiring medical treatment
  - Reported suspected maltreatment for children in the program
  - Reported substantiated maltreatment for children in the program
  - First-time victims of maltreatment for children in the program
  - Visits for children to the emergency department
  - Information or training provided on prevention of child injuries

- **Domestic Violence or Crime (1 of 3)**
  - Number of families for which a safety plan was completed
  - Screening for domestic violence
  - Number of referrals made to relevant domestic violence services

- **Coordination & Referrals to Family Resources (4 of 5)**
  - Number of families identified for necessary services
  - Number of completed referrals
  - Number of local agencies with which the home visiting program has a Memorandum of Understanding, formal agreement or informal written agreement
  - Number of agencies with which the home visiting provider has a clear point of contact in order to provide a “warm referral” for clients
  - Number of families identified that required services and received a referral to available community resources

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