

Guam's Title V Partnership, Collaboration and Coordination

Networking: information sharing
Linkages: Agreements, which include referrals, intake, interagency consultations, monitoring referral outcomes, and participation in joint planning meetings, which usually do not involve sharing of funds.
Collaboration: Specific formal agreement to accomplish common purposes including specific allocations of staff time and funds, quantities of services, timeline, use of each other's sites, joint staff training, and co-sponsorship of events
Integration: Formal horizontal or vertical affiliation or merger of agencies with resultant structural and leadership changes

Guam Early Learning Council (GELC)	The GELC was established through Executive Order 2004-14 and mandated legislatively through Guam Public Law 31-62 in 2011. The GELC was created to provide a coordinated framework, involving all child serving agencies and family representatives, to develop a comprehensive system of supports for young children and their families. The Council's composition effectively promotes and addresses concerns that hinder the delivery of services and supports to young children birth to eight years of age.	The GELC provide networking opportunity that brings all the department heads of Early Childhood programs, together to get updates on their services, coordinate activities, and discuss challenges to improve early childhood services. They also provide a venue for leaders of the early childhood programs to share their accomplishments and discuss issues that they can all provide suggestions to assist in accomplishing their outcomes. Continues to networking and collaborate throughout the year
Guam Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (GEHDI)	The primary emphasis of the project is to reduce the percent of infants lost to follow-up after missed initial screening or referral for repeat screening, and develop a tracking system to ensure they are re-screened and referred for timely diagnostic evaluation, treatment, and early intervention services. Families are involved in updating GEHDI materials. Efforts to promote health equity include diverse parent representation on advisory committees.	The Title V MCH Program has been a part of the GEHDI many opportunities for early childhood programs and providers to network with each other every six months. The members are given bi-annual updates on their grant activities, they discuss their issues dealing with their early hearing screening, detection, and implementation. They also see the importance of having Title V MCH program as a partner and continue to be part of the DPHSS outreaches and trainings
Kariñu	As Kariñu staff work to support families, they have hosted	

	<p>caregivers to come together, share with one another, and learn. These events include Parent Cafés, designed to promote the Strengthening Families Five protective factors: parental resilience, social connections, concrete support in times of need, knowledge of child development, and social and emotional competence of children. Parent Cafés are held at the Lagu Resource Center – a youth center conveniently located in one of the most populated villages in northern Guam—or other venues that are comfortable and welcoming supporting an atmosphere where families are able to relax and feel that the environment is safe to share their personal stories.</p>	
<p>Maternal, Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Advisory Council</p>	<p>The Guam’s Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Advisory Council promotes, supports and fosters a coordinated service delivery system for vulnerable families at the state and community-levels. Multi-agency, multi-level collaboration, as well as public-private partnerships, are critical to maximizing the effectiveness and impact of home and community-based primary prevention. Members include representatives from Head Start, public health, Mayor’s Council, and BOSSA. Parents participate in MIECHV quality improvement team and help to ensure the consumer voice is part of the decision-making and policy development.</p>	<p>Project Bisita I Familia Guam’s MIECHV provides many opportunities of networking with home visiting staff, parents, and other early childhood programs and agencies at a quarterly meeting. They invite the members of the council members to participate to the programs parent trainings, staff trainings, outreach activities and health fairs. They provide many opportunities to collaborate in their grant activities, program site visits, family activities, parent trainings, community outreaches, focus groups, referral process, and marketing/published materials for the early childhood home visiting program. The program continues to network and collaborate with other departments</p>
<p>Head Start Health Advisory Council</p>	<p>Head Start promotes school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services. The</p>	<p>The Council meets quarterly and continues to provide updates with the Head Start’s program activities, enrollment process challenges, enrollment numbers, staff trainings, parent cafes, and future plans to improve the program. The MIECHV,</p>

	<p>Director is a member of the Health Advisory Committee. At least 51% of the Advisory Council are parents of a child/children currently enrolled in the Head Start program. Past Parents of Head Start children may serve as representatives of the community.</p>	<p>Project LAUNCH, Kariñu, and the MCH clinic staff participate with their annual Fitness Fair and Parent Conference every year.</p>
<p>Guam Systems of Care Council (GSOCC)</p>	<p>As mandated by Guam Public Law 25-141a comprehensive System of Care Plan was established for the treatment of children with serious emotional disturbances (SED) was established. With the responsibility of creating a unified system of care for SED children, the GSOCC is planning to hold a conference to educate communities on the System of Care concept using family stories, educating young adults on peer support and the educating the public on the importance of early childhood development.</p>	<p>Kariñu and Project LAUNCH is a key partner of the council because of their early childhood mental health initiative and developmental screenings. The council meets every month with early childhood programs, special education programs, social services, and early childhood behavioral programs to discuss updates, progress, accomplishments, and challenges with children receiving proper systems of care services.</p>
<p>Guam Interagency Coordinating Council (GICC)</p>	<p>The GICC was established under Subpart G of 2011 Regulations for in Part C of IDEA, Section 303.600. Its purpose is to advise the Department of Education, Guam Early Intervention System (GEIS) in the development and implementation of policies constituting an island-wide system of coordinated services, participating public and private agencies who are involved in Early Intervention Services for Children, from birth through 5 years of age and their families</p>	<p>The Title V MCH Director is a member of this council that works with the Early Interventions services and Special Education programs that meets monthly to discuss the program's performance measures and outcomes. They also get feedback from the Council members preprogram services, program challenges, training, parent conferences, outreach efforts, other grant activities.</p>
<p>Guam Developmental Disabilities Council (GDDC)</p>	<p>The purpose of the DD Council is to improve service systems for Individuals with developmental disabilities and to assure that individuals with developmental disabilities and their families participate in the design of and have access to needed community services, individualized supports and other forms of assistance that</p>	<p>The MCH program staff is a major part of the membership of the council. The staff attends the GDD's monthly meetings and annual conference. The council provides more opportunities to network and collaborate with different agencies that are needed to assist the children and youths of special health care needs in the community. The MCH representations advocates for improved services and promotes</p>

	promotes self-determination, independence, productivity, and integration and inclusion in all facets of community life	program activities to educate the community.
State System Development Initiative (SSDI)	Guam's SSDI grant enable the staff of the Office of Vital Statistics, working in collaboration with Title V, to build and expand MCH data capacity to support Title V program efforts and contribute to data and driven decision making; support the Fetal & Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) Collaborative Innovation Network (CoIN) efforts to reduce infant mortality through improved availability and reporting of timely data; and advance the utilization of both the minimum and core data sets for the Guam Title V Program.	The SSDI grant assists with the DPHSS Office of Vital Statistics. The MCH program provided the funding to assist the office to input data from the Birth and Death certificates to help in the MCH Data Collection. They are also a major stakeholder in providing funding to a potential new Data System. The Office of Vital Statistics.
Emergency Medical Services Children (EMSC)	The mission of the EMS for Children Program is to reduce children and youth mortality and morbidity. Linkages caused by severe illness or trauma. EMSC collaborates with Title V to strengthen emergency systems for children and data sharing.	The EMSC program has continue to involve the MCH program to their Advisory Committee to ensure that the committee is provide necessary services and policies to ensure that the MCH population is informed and aware of emergency services. The committee ensures that the providers are receiving the required trainings. We participate with the all the meetings, participate in their Annual Conference and Health Fairs, and other EMS trainings.
Family Health Information Resource Center (FHIRC)	The goals of FHIRC are: 1) to be a "one stop" center for CYSHCN and their families to register, and obtain information, support, and assistance to meet their needs; 2) to be a place where parents can help other parents navigate the system to receive care; and 3) to provide training for parents to help them care and advocate for their children.	The MCH program is also a major representative in this newly established Parent Center and Council. The MCH program assisted the center to educate the parents of Guam's MCH services and funding to the maternal health, child health, and children and Youth with special health care needs in the community of Guam.

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)	The WIC Program is within the Bureau of Nutrition Services, DPHSS. EIC collaborates and coordinates with the Title V to provide supplemental nutrition to pregnant, breastfeeding and post-partum women.	The MCH programs are partners of the WIC programs in providing services in their bi-weekly child immunization outreach services, referring at-risk children with nutritional assistance, and other outreach activities throughout the community. The SSDI acts as a I
Vaccines for Children Program	The CDC funded immunization program for children is housed with DPHSS's Bureau of Communicable Disease Control (BCDC) and collaborates Extensively with Title V on issues related to immunization access and vaccine preventable illness.	This program the MCH program provides networking, collaboration, and linkage activities to children in Guam. The MCH funds the nurses to provide immunization services to immunize the children in the Central Public Health Walk-In clinics, Child Health clinics, and Guam Immunization Program and WIC Weekly immunization outreaches.
Newborn Metabolic Screening	Guam Memorial Hospital Laboratory administers newborn screening to Guam births occurring at the public hospital and collaborates with the Title V program on follow-up for high-risk infant tracking.	The MCH program oversees the program, provides funding for the Medical Advisor to manage the children that were identified confirmed positive NBS testing, and provides needed referral process to the children in that program.
Project LAUNCH (Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health)	Project LAUNCH is co-located with Title V in BFHNS. Project LAUNCH collaborates and coordinates with Title V to foster the healthy development and wellness of children from birth to eight years of age.	Project LAUNCH has been in the same bureau with the MCH program, and that partnership has been improving and expanding the awareness of the program and their services. MCH program has provided the project more partnerships with other health and early childhood programs, health providers, behavioral health and wellness programs.
	The DPHSS Division of Public Welfare administers Child Care Development Block Grant. The program works with Title V in the	The GCCDG has been a good partnership to our MCH families and day care center providers. They a good source to linking them to teen moms, young mothers, and families. The program also provide staff training to Day Care Center providers and the MCH staff provide them with presentation on Safe Sleep, Immunizations, and common injury prevention.
HIV/STD Program	The STD/HIV program is housed with DPHSS's Bureau of Communicable Disease Control (BCDC) provides education and collaborates extensively Title V development of childcare health	We network with STD/HIV/AIDS program and their partners throughout the year. We provide clinic services, provider services, and outreach activities to the program's at-risk population of Guam. We collaborate

	and safety standards. On issues related to sexually transmitted diseases.	and manage the clinical services and lab testing for all the prenatal clients in the MCH program.
Public Health Dental Program	The Dental Program provides free basic dental care to children under 17 years old who meet the income guidelines set forth by DPHSS or are under public assistance programs (Medicaid, MIP, WIC, SNAP, and Head Start) and do not have dental insurance. Basic dental care includes exams, prophys, x-rays, sealants, fluoride, restorations, and extractions. The Dental Program partners with the MCH Program by providing fluoride varnish to children seen at the immunization clinics and outreaches.	The Dental Program at the DPHSS has continued to work with our MCH families every year and conduct fluoride varnish services to our MCH population and the community. They also participate in MCH activities, outreaches, and health fairs.
Bureau of Community Health Services (BCHS)	The Bureau of Community Health Services (BCHS) oversees the Medical Social Services Social Workers, the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), the Tobacco-free program, and Health Educator services. The medical Social Workers conduct the eligibility process of all MCH clients at the DPHSS and the Community Health Centers. They also assist the MCH program Early Prenatal Care Classes (EPCC), Breastfeeding classes, Parenting classes, the monthly Special Kids Clinic, the Shriner's outreach clinics, hemophilia clinics, CSHCN clinics, HIV/AIDS services, joint home visiting, any Child Protective services, family planning services, and immunizations.	The BCHC continues to partner with the MCH program in collaborating services with Maternal and Child Health clinical services, family planning, immunization services, special Kids clinic, pregnancy testing, domestic violence training, chronic screening, and extended clinic community-based outreaches
Medicaid and Medically Indigent Program (MIP)	Medicaid and Medically Indigent Program (MIP) are housed at DPHSS's Division of Welfare and collaborate with Title V on the provision of access to care and	The partnership with the Medicaid and the MIP program is a strong partner every year because the data collection for the annual MCH report. They also collaborate with MCH and the MIECHV programs by providing staff

	prevention services for the MCH population	development presentation to their quarterly division staff trainings. Both programs are also in many of other Public Health, Early Childhood programs, health providers, and homeless committees.
Office of Vital Statistics (OVS)	The Office of Vital Statistics (OVS) is responsible for issuing birth certificates, death certificates, marriage licenses, and marriage certificates. They are responsible for reporting vital statistical data in DPHSS. OVS collaborates with Title V in the provision of the necessary data for the Block Grant Some of the pertinent data reported is number of births, and deaths within the Title V population.	The partnership with the OVS continues to work hard together to gather all the data collection from birth certificates to analysis it to our annual MCH Report. We collaborate in many public health programs in collecting data like the Guam Comprehensive Cancer Capitation and Child Death Review Board.
Bureau of Social Services Administration (BOSSA)	The Office of Vital Statistics (OVS) is responsible for issuing birth certificates, death certificates, marriage licenses, and marriage certificates. They are responsible for reporting vital statistical data in DPHSS. OVS collaborates with Title V in the provision of the necessary data for the Block Grant Some of the pertinent data reported is number of births, and deaths within the Title V population.	BOSSA is a strong partner to the MCH program and the MIECHV program. BOSSA is a MCH Task Force member and the MIECHV Advisory Committee because of their valuable contribution in social services, work groups, data collection, referral services, and staff trainings.
Office of Minority Health	The Office of Minority Health, housed with the BCHS, is a key partner with Title V in addressing health equity and reducing disparities.	The Office of Minority Health staff continues to partner with our families in trainings and MCH Task Force committee. They also assist the MCH population and link them to other government and public resources.
	Other Governmental Agencies	
Department of Education (DOE)	Title V partners with the Guam Department of Education on such programs as the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), Personal responsibility Education program (PREP), Division of Special Education, Guam Early Intervention System (GEIS), and Head Start.	The Department of Education is a critical member or partner in majority of the committees, advisory councils, and work groups with maternal and child health, early childhood program, community programs, homeless coalitions, immunization services, and communicable diseases care. DOE is our linkage to reaching out to school-aged students, adolescents, and parents. DOE is also a member with our MCH Task force Committee and the

		MIECHV, Project LAUNCH Advisory Committee.
Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC)	Guam’s mental health services are located within the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) and collaborate with Title V to address mental health and suicide prevention needs of the MCH population.	The GHWC has increased their partnership and collaboration efforts with the DPHSS, especially in focusing in the System of Care and working with the Kariñu program. They have provided more collaboration with staff training and data collection. The early childhood programs have recognized that partnership with GBHWC is strong in linking for our MCH population and the CSHCN families. More awareness and promotion on early childhood mental health wellness is been a major contribution to the communities.
University of Guam - School of Nursing and Health Sciences	The University of Guam School of Nursing Senior nursing students during their Community Health Nursing practicum. The DPHSS BFHNS Community Health Nurses provide preceptorship to the student nurses for the 2 semesters. They are exposed to the MCH nursing services, home visiting services, early childhood developmental screenings, prenatal care, providing immunizations, and nursing leadership projects.	The School of Nursing and Health Sciences programs has been good partner to promote Maternal Child Health, Community Health, and Healthy Living wellness