Maternal Child Health services include; Nurse Family Partnership, Expanded Babies First, CaCoon and Oregon Mother’s Care (OMC). The goals of the programs are to improve the health of women and children through improving birth outcomes, access to care, reducing infant mortality and health care disparity. Evidence shows that programs which provide frequent home visiting by Registered Nurses improve health outcomes for pregnant women and children. Registered Nurses working in these programs provide case management services, screening and intervention for parental depression and anxiety, domestic violence, home safety, nutrition, child development, and social-emotional family wellbeing. The Home Visiting Nurse models generate matched Medicaid funds through targeted case management. The Lane County OMC program has Federally certified Assistors to assist pregnant women in applying for OHP. Low income women are more likely not to receive prenatal care due to providers not accepting the woman without proof of insurance. Because of the OMC staff’s connection with OHA and local providers women are approved for OHP and seeing providers early in pregnancy.

Executive Summary

Oregon Mother’s Care, Nurse Family Partnership (NFP), Expanded Babies First & CaCoon programs decrease health disparities by improving access to care, improve birth outcomes and improve outcomes of babies and children with special health care needs. Through assessing health, development, socioeconomic, mental health, parenting, safety, case management services, nutritional and education needs Nurse home visitors impact the health of generations in Lane County. From July 1, 2017 to June 30th, 2018 MCH Nurse Home Visiting Programs received 653 total referrals, and provided 2706 family case management visits.

State/Federal Mandate

ORS 431.416 Local Public Health Authority or health district duties; OARs 333-014-0050 2(b), 410-130-0595, 410-138-0000 through 410-138-0080. Losing local public health authority by not providing mandated MCH services would put Lane County at significant financial/legal risk (state provided/county billed for services).

Leverage Details

The General Fund portion of this program leverages the following:

- $0 back to the Discretionary General Fund
- $1,562,240 into other non Discretionary County Funds
- $0 directly to community members