

Healthy Start

Healthy Start is a Smart Start funded, in-home visitation program for first time mothers that screen positive on a records screen at the McDowell Hospital. An RN and visiting paraprofessional provide family support by teaching parenting skills and bonding in McDowell County.

The McDowell Hospital

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Children's Developmental Services Agency

Through a team approach with several professionals, this agency provides an in-depth evaluation of a child's medical, psychological, educational, physical, and speech-language needs. Child service coordinators assist families in locating services and therapies (such as speech, occupational, or physical) as well as other support resources. Parents and others may refer children to the CDSA.

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Nurse Family Partnership

Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) is an evidence-based, nurse home visiting program that improves the health, wellbeing and self-sufficiency of first-time, low-income parents and their children. NFP Nurse Home Visitors discuss with their clients such things as preventive health practices, diet, substance abuse, children's health and development, economic self-sufficiency, future pregnancies, education, and work.

McDowell County Health Department

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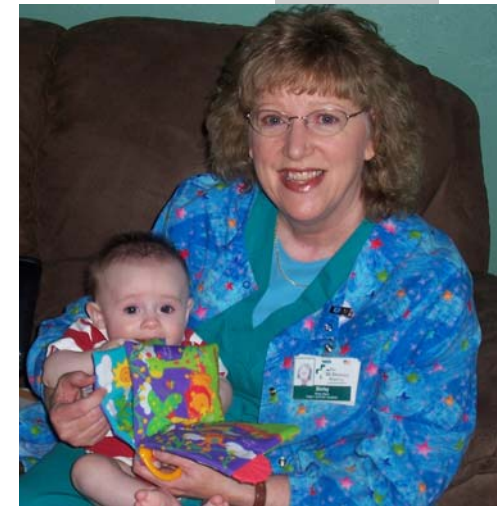
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McDowell County Home Visitation Collaborative

The McDowell Home Visitation Collaborative meets quarterly to discuss coordination of services among local home visiting programs. Our goal is to provide seamless, universal home visiting programs to all pregnant and new moms (not necessarily first-time) in need of or desiring services. Call the McDowell County Partnership for Children at 659-2462 for more information on meeting dates.



McDowell County Home Visitation Programs



Adolescent Parenting Program

The Adolescent Parenting Program (APP) is a State Adolescent Parenting funded program that provides teen parents 17 and under intense case management through monthly or bi-monthly peer group meetings. This program encourages these young parents to stay in school, delay further pregnancies, improve parenting skills, etc.

McDowell County Schools

Phone: 652-1040 Ext. 306

Maternity Care Coordination

Maternity Care Coordination (MCC) is a Medicaid funded program that provides assistance with utilizing available community services and support for women who are pregnant and eligible for Medicaid. Maternity Care Coordinators provide these services for the duration of the pregnancy, as well as two months of additional follow-up.

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Child Service Coordination

Child Service Coordination (CSC) is a Medicaid funded program in which 3 registered nurses provide developmental follow-up and family support for as long as the parents desire to at-risk families in order to make sure their children are developmentally ready when they enter school. Children must be 0-5 years old to be eligible for CSC.

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Early Head Start

Early Head Start provides one weekly visit of 1.5 hours to provide health and developmental information/activities for pregnant mothers and children ages 0-3 years old. Other services include monthly group socializations and ongoing developmental assessments. In order to be eligible for these services, families must have poverty level income and meet the Head Start guidelines.

Phone: 652-3229

****Bilingual Services are available through all programs****



Family, Infant and Preschool Program

The Family, Infant and Preschool Program (FIPP) is a state funded program that provides such services as weekly home visits, pregnancy information and planning, weight and health monitoring, and parenting and child development support. A nurse and licensed psychological associate provide these services for any mothers with mental health, substance abuse, and risk for pre-maturity for a duration of birth through 1 year after birth. There are no income eligibility criteria to meet.

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First Steps

First Steps is a Smart Start funded program for mothers and their children 0-6 months old who are ineligible for Medicaid, found through maternity records at the McDowell Hospital, physician, and self-referral. This program consists of an initial home visit to perform a physical assessment of the baby, a home safety inspection, and education on certain health topics (such as breastfeeding). Contact with the mother will be maintained for six months.

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