

## **Nevada ECAC Data & Evaluation Research Question/Data Points**

NV ECAC Vision: Nevada’s children will be safe, healthy and thriving during the first eight years of life, and the system will support children and families in achieving their full potential.

### Research Questions:

1. Are we providing equitable access to high quality early childhood programs and services in the state of Nevada that ensure children ages 0-8 are safe, healthy and thriving?
  - a. How do we know children are safe? [Outcomes]
    - i. What are the high quality programs or services positively impact child safety?
      1. How many/what percentage of “vulnerable or underserved” children are receiving or participating in these programs or services?
        - a. What barriers exist to ensuring equitable access to these programs and services for these populations?
  - b. How do we know children are healthy? [Outcomes]
    - i. What are the high quality programs or services or strategies positively impact child health?
      1. How many/what percentage of “vulnerable or underserved” children are receiving or participating in these programs or services?
        - a. What barriers exist to ensuring equitable access to these programs and services for these populations?
  - c. How do we know children are thriving? [Outcomes]
    - i. What are the high quality programs, services or strategies help children thrive?
      1. How many/what percentage of “vulnerable or underserved” children are receiving or participating in these programs or services?
        - a. What barriers exist to ensuring equitable access to these programs and services for these populations?
2. Is Nevada’s early childhood system supporting children and families to achieve their full potential?
  - a. How do we know if children and families are achieving their full potential? [Outcomes]
    - i. What are the system level policies or strategies that impact these outcomes?
    - ii. What are the investments in the system for each program?

## Programs/Services [Outputs]:

### Early Learning/Child Care:

- The number of #4- & #5-star slots in early learning programs *(PN3-NFS)*
- The number of slots in Early Head Start and Head Start *(PN3-E)*
- The number of slots/seats in Nevada Ready! PreK
- The number of slots/seats in District PreK programs
- The number/percentage of children served in these slots by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity
- The number/percentage of eligible children receiving child care subsidy support *(PN3-E)*
  - *The number/percentage of children with subsidy in 4/5 star centers/programs*
- The number/percentage of eligible children in Early Head Start/Head Start programs *(PN3-E)*
- The number/percentage of eligible children in Nevada Ready! PreK
- The number/percentage of eligible children in District PreK

### Home Visiting:

- The number of slots in evidence-based home visiting programs
  - Nurse Family Partnership *(PN3-E) (US-HHS, ACF)*
  - HIPPIY *(US-HHS, ACF)*
  - Parents as Teachers *(PN3-E) (US-HHS, ACF)*
- The number/percentage of children served in these slots by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race and ethnicity
- The number/percentage of eligible children receiving home visiting services

### Early Intervention/Special Education:

- The number/percentage of children who are eligible/need early intervention services by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race and ethnicity
- The number/percentage of children served in NEIS by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race and ethnicity *(PN3-E)*
- The number/percentage of children age 3-5 with IEPs attending & receiving majority of services in regular early childhood program *(IDEA Indicator B6)*

### Nutrition/Food Assistance:

- The number/percentage of eligible children/families participating in WIC
- The number/percentage of eligible children/families participating in SNAP *(PN3-E)*
- The number/percentage of children/families receiving CACFP supports in early learning settings
- The number/percentage of children served in these programs by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity

### Parental Engagement:

- The number of parents/family members involved in local/state advisory groups/boards in the early childhood sector (create list of relevant advisory groups/boards)
- The number/percentage of parents/family members involved by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity

#### Prenatal/Postpartum Care:

- The number/percentage of OBGYNs (per capita)
  - Rate of providers in Vulnerable or Underserved Communities
- The number/percentage of Doulas/Midwives (per capita) *(PN3-E)*
  - Rate of providers in Vulnerable or Underserved Communities
- The number/percentage of Birthing Centers (per capita)
  - Rate of centers in Vulnerable or Underserved Communities
- The number/percentage of pregnant persons with health insurance within first trimester of pregnancy by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity *(apply factors to pregnant person v. children)* *(PN3-E)*
- The number/percentage of pregnant persons who access prenatal care beginning in the first trimester by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity *(apply factors to pregnant person v. children)*

#### Children's Health Care:

- The number/percentage of Pediatricians (per capita)
  - Rate of providers in Vulnerable or Underserved Communities
- The number/percentage of Pediatric Specialists (per capita) by type
  - Rate of providers in Vulnerable or Underserved Communities
- The number/percentage of children receiving on-time vaccinations by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity
- The number/percentage of children with health insurance by type and by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity *(PN3-E)*

#### Mental/Behavior Health:

- The number/percentage of individuals receiving a maternal depression screening by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity *(apply factors to parent v. children)*
- The number/percentage of children who are eligible/need infant and early childhood mental health (IECMH) services by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race and ethnicity
- The number/percentage of children served by IECMH services by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race and ethnicity
- The number/percentage of Mental Health Providers (per capita)
  - Rate of providers in Vulnerable or Underserved Communities
- The number/percentage of IECMH Consultants (per capita)
  - Rate of providers in Vulnerable or Underserved Communities

#### Economic/Social Support:

- The number/percentage of employees with paid family leave benefits by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race and ethnicity *(PN3-E)*
- [The number/percentage of families who access comprehensive screening and connection programs \(Family Connects, DULCE, HealthySteps\)](#) *(PN3-E)*

**Codes:**

**PN3-E** – Policy/Strategy identified as “effective” by the Prenatal-to-3 Policy Impact Center, Policy Clearinghouse (<https://pn3policy.org/pn-3-state-policy-clearinghouse/>)

**PN3-NFS** – Policy/Strategy identified as “needs further study” by the Prenatal-to-3 Policy Impact Center, Policy Clearinghouse (<https://pn3policy.org/pn-3-state-policy-clearinghouse/>)

**US-HHS, ACF** – Program identified as “effective” by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (<https://homvee.acf.hhs.gov/>)

## Outcomes:

### Safety

- Child abuse and neglect rate by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity
- Child victimization rate by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity
- Child death rate (excluding natural deaths) by type and by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity

### Health

- Maternal mortality rate by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity (*apply factors to pregnant person v. children*)
- Infant mortality rate by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, as applicable, including race/ethnicity
- Child chronic disease rates by type and by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity

### Thriving Children/Families (*need to define "thriving"*)

- Poverty rate of families with children ages 0-8 by each factor in the vulnerable population definition (excluding FPL), including race/ethnicity
- Third grade reading comprehension of children by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity
- Housing stability (?) of families with children ages 0-8 by each factor in the vulnerable population definition, including race/ethnicity

### PN3 Outcome Measures (Policy):

- % of Low-Income Women Uninsured
- % of Births to Women Not Receiving Adequate Prenatal Care
- % of Eligible Families with Children Not Receiving SNAP
- % of Children <3 Not Receiving Developmental Screening
- % of Children <3 Without Any Full-Time Working Parent
- % of Children <3 in Poverty
- % of Children <3 Living in Crowded Households
- % of Households Reporting Child Food Insecurity
- % of Babies Born Preterm (<37 Weeks)
- # of Infant Deaths per 1,000 Births
- % of Children <3 Whose Mother Reports Fair/Poor Mental Health
- % of Children <3 Whose Parent Lacks Parenting Support
- % of Children <3 Not Read to Daily
- % of Children <3 Not Nurtured Daily
- % of Children <3 Whose Parent Reports Not Coping Very Well
- % Providers Not Participating in the State's QRIS
- % of Children Without Access to Early Head Start

- % of Children Whose Mother Reports Never Breastfeeding
- % of children <3 Not Up to Date on Immunizations
- Maltreatment Rate per 1,000 Children <3