



HRSA Updates

Midwest Genetics Network Virtual Annual Meeting

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Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People



Health Resources and Services Administration

HRSA's Mission:

To improve health outcomes and address health disparities through access to quality services, a skilled health workforce, and innovative, high-value programs.



Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)

Mission: Improve the health and well-being of America's mothers, children, and families.



Division of Services for Children with Special Health Needs

DSCSHN Mission

To provide national leadership to expand and strengthen access to a system of services for CYSHCN and their families as they grow and transition through adulthood.

DSCSHN Vision

CYSHCN and their families will have access to a coordinated, culturally competent, community-based, comprehensive, and family-centered system of services as they grow and transition through adulthood.



DSCSHN: Who do we serve?

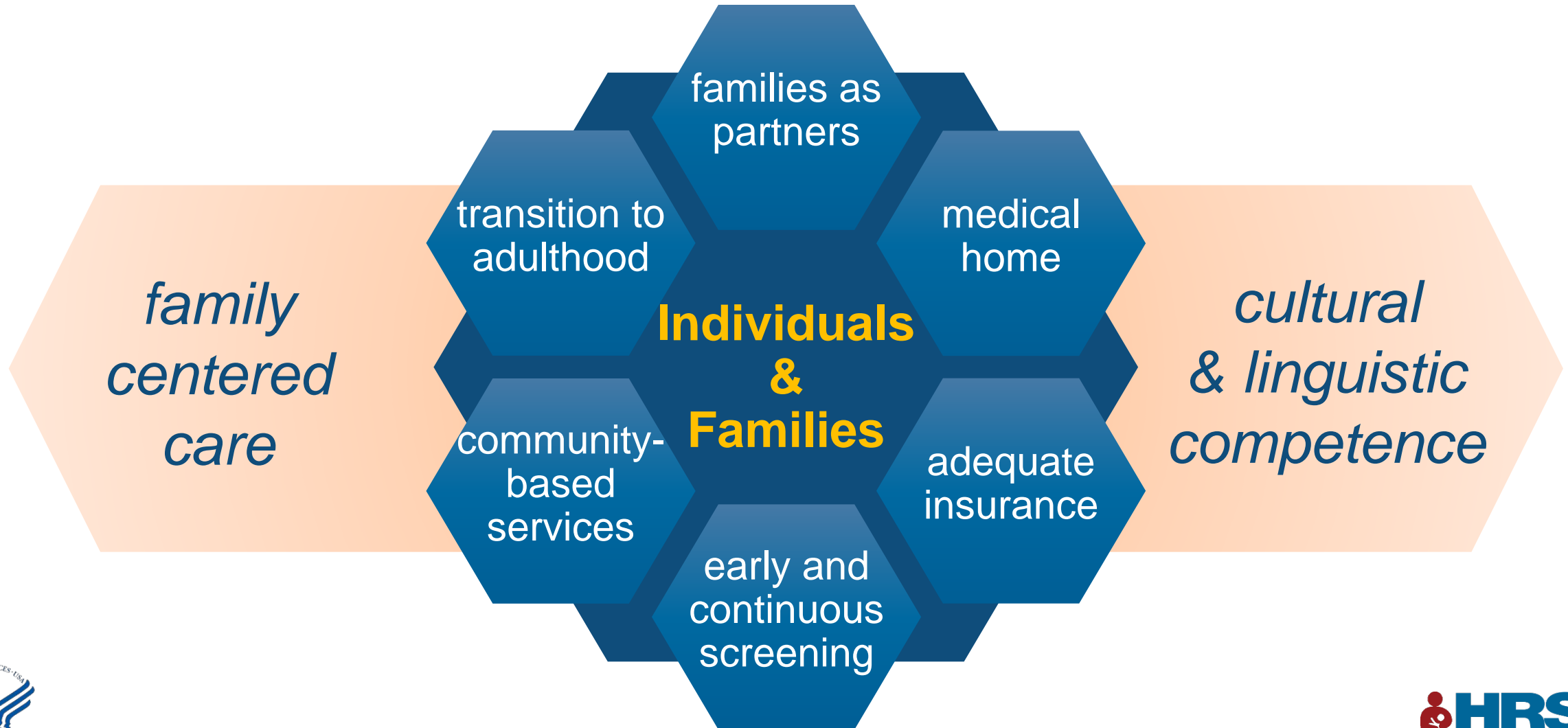
Children or youth who have or are at increased risk for a chronic physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional condition and who also require health and related services beyond that required for children generally.

- Nearly 20% of U.S. children under age 18 years have a special health care need
- One in five U.S. families has a child or youth with a special health care need
- Services needed from multiple systems: health care, public health, education, mental health, and social services
- National Survey of Children's Health Data Brief on CSHCN:
<https://mchb.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/mchb/Data/NSCH/nsch-cshcn-data-brief.pdf>

McPherson M, Arango P, Fox H, et al. A new definition of children with special health care needs. *Pediatrics*. 1998; 102(1): 137-140



Six Indicators of a Well-Functioning System



DSCSHN: Program Snapshot

Systems of Care

Medical home

Transition

Financing

Family/Professional Partnership

CSHCN Research Network

CMC CoIIN

Screening

Newborn screening

Genetic Programs

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Early Hearing Detection and Intervention

Environmental Health

Condition-specific

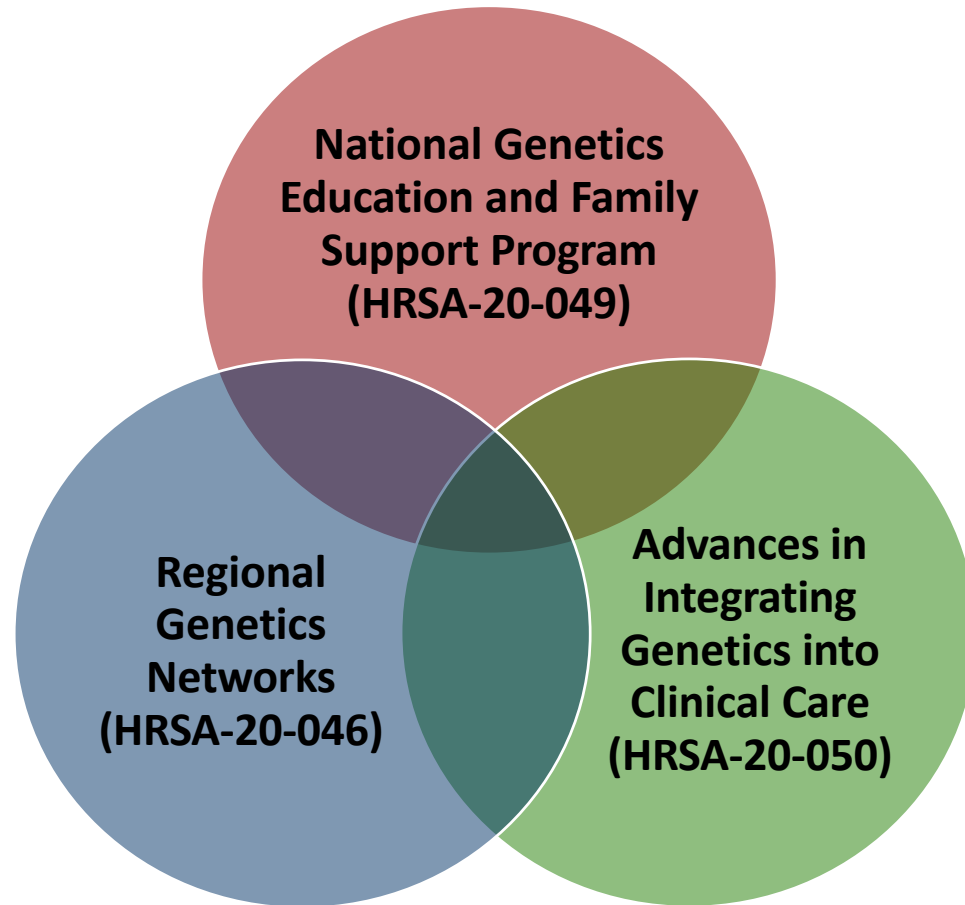
Epilepsy

Autism

Hemoglobinopathies

Hemophilia

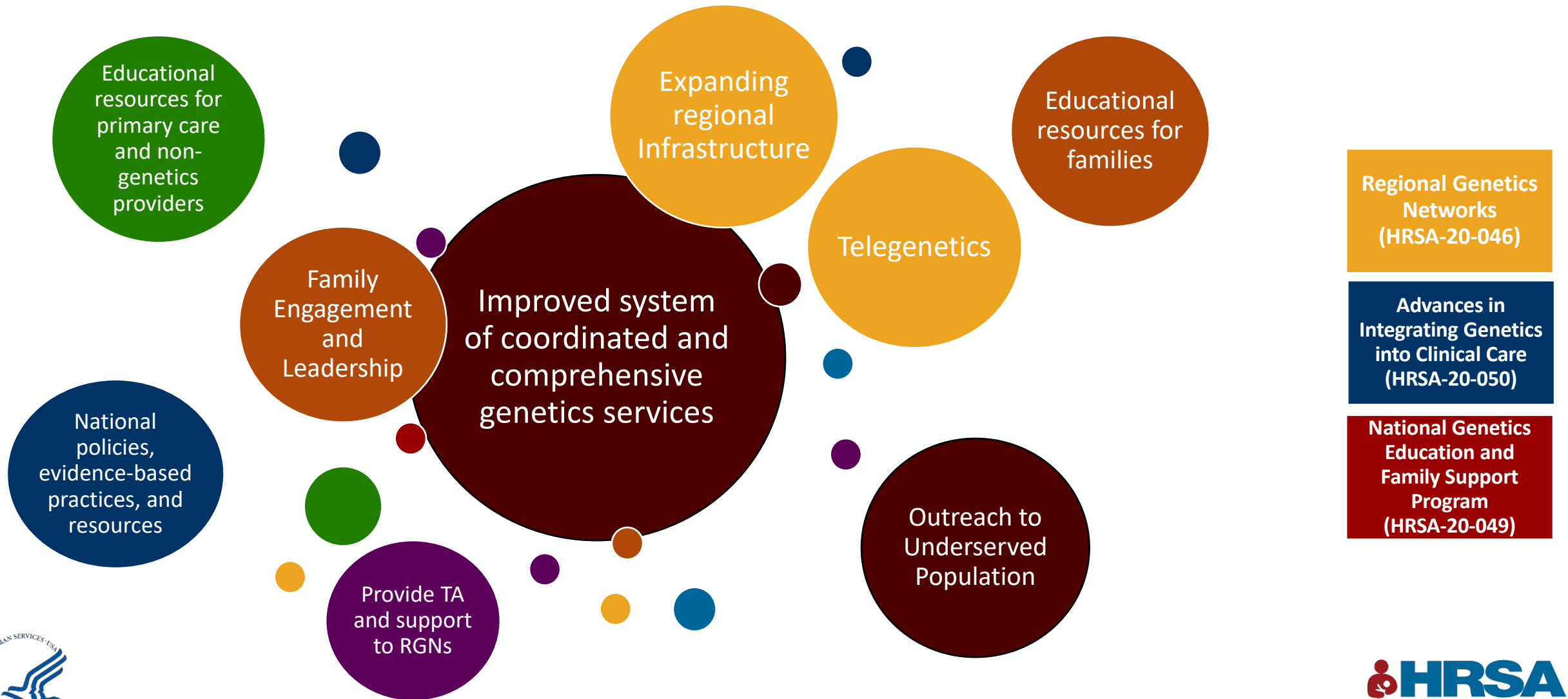
Genetics Programs



Overarching Goal

To improve access to genetic services, especially for underserved, disadvantaged, geographically isolated, and special needs populations

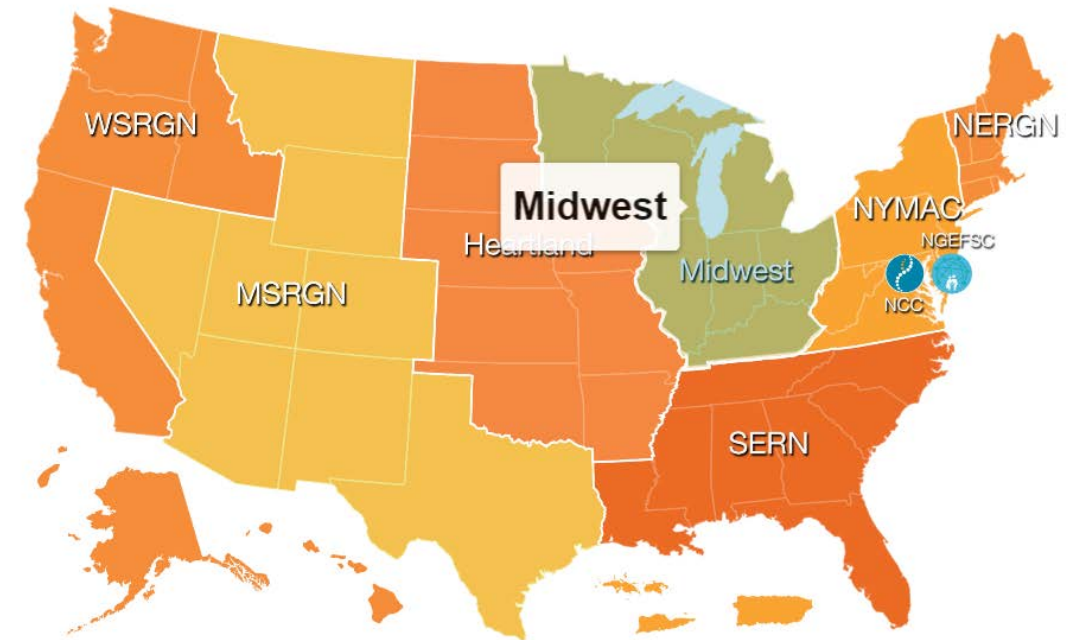
Program Priorities



RGN Program Objectives 2020-2024

By May 2024,

1. Each RGN will facilitate connections to genetic services for at least 2,000 individuals or families with or at risk for genetic conditions, within the geographic area served by the RGN.
2. Increase to at least 33% of the individuals who are medically underserved with or at risk for genetic conditions, served by each RGN.
3. Increase by 20% the number of health care providers receiving education or training through the RGN.
4. Increase by 20% the number of individuals with or at risk for genetic conditions, receiving genetic services through telemedicine visits.
5. Increase by 20% the number of RGN resources accessed.





COVID-19 Response Highlights

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Health Centers: On the Front Lines

Over \$2 Billion awarded to health centers in response to COVID-19

- Prevention
- Community testing and screening
- Treatment
- Purchase PPE
- Contact tracing
- Sustain primary care services
- Maintain staffing
- Training
- Expand telehealth



Fighting COVID-19 in Rural Health Care Settings

Rural Health Clinics

- **\$225 Million**
 - Funding to 4,500 rural health clinics to expand testing, training, procuring protective equipment

Small Rural Hospitals

- **\$150 million**
 - CARES Act funding awarded to 1,779 small rural hospitals to support testing, lab services, training, and procuring equipment

Rural Tribal COVID-19 Response Program

- **\$15 Million**
 - Funding to 52 tribes, tribal organizations, urban Indian health organizations, and other health service providers



Provider Relief Fund



- [The Provider Relief Fund](https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/cares-act-provider-relief-fund/index.html) was launched in April to support American families, workers and the heroic health care providers in the battle against the COVID-19 outbreak.
- For more information: <https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/cares-act-provider-relief-fund/index.html>

COVID-19 Claims Reimbursement



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COVID-19
Uninsured
Program**

COVIDUninsuredClaim.HRSA.gov

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- COVID-19 Claims Reimbursement to Health Care Providers and Facilities for Testing and Treatment of the Uninsured Program allows providers to file claims for reimbursement for testing or treatment provided to uninsured individuals with a COVID-19 diagnosis on or after Feb. 4, 2020.
- <https://www.hrsa.gov/coviduninsuredclaim>

Telehealth Investments

\$46.5 Million Investment Across HRSA Programs

- \$15 million for provider telehealth training
- \$15 million to key areas in maternal and child health
- \$11.5 million to HRSA-funded Telehealth Resource Centers
- \$5 million to assist telehealth clinicians on licensure and credentialing

Maternal Health Care

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Family Engagement

Family Voices

State Public Health Systems

Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs

Pediatric Care

American Academy of Pediatrics



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from the safety of our
homes.**

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- [Telehealth.hhs.gov](https://www.telehealth.hhs.gov) helps patients and providers integrate telehealth and telemedicine into their practices to provide safe & reliable health care to patients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

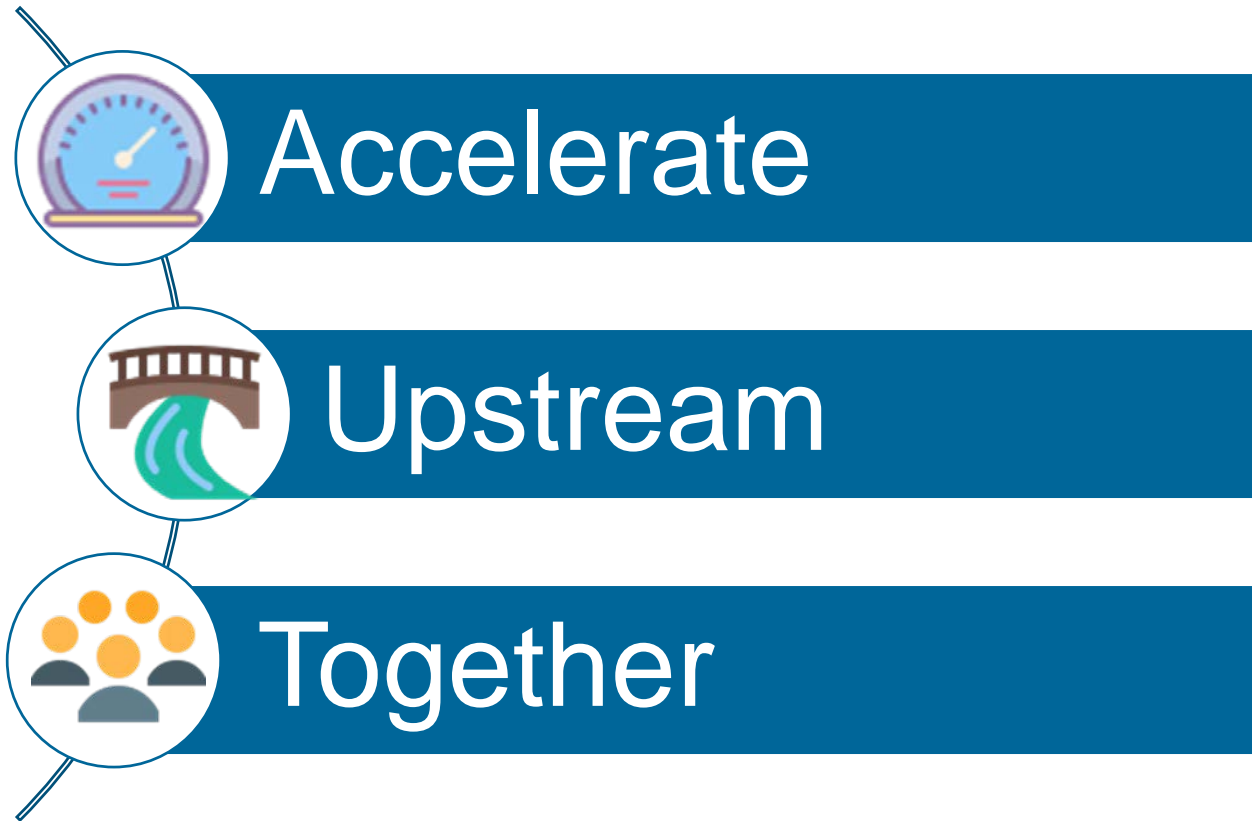


MCHB Strategic Planning

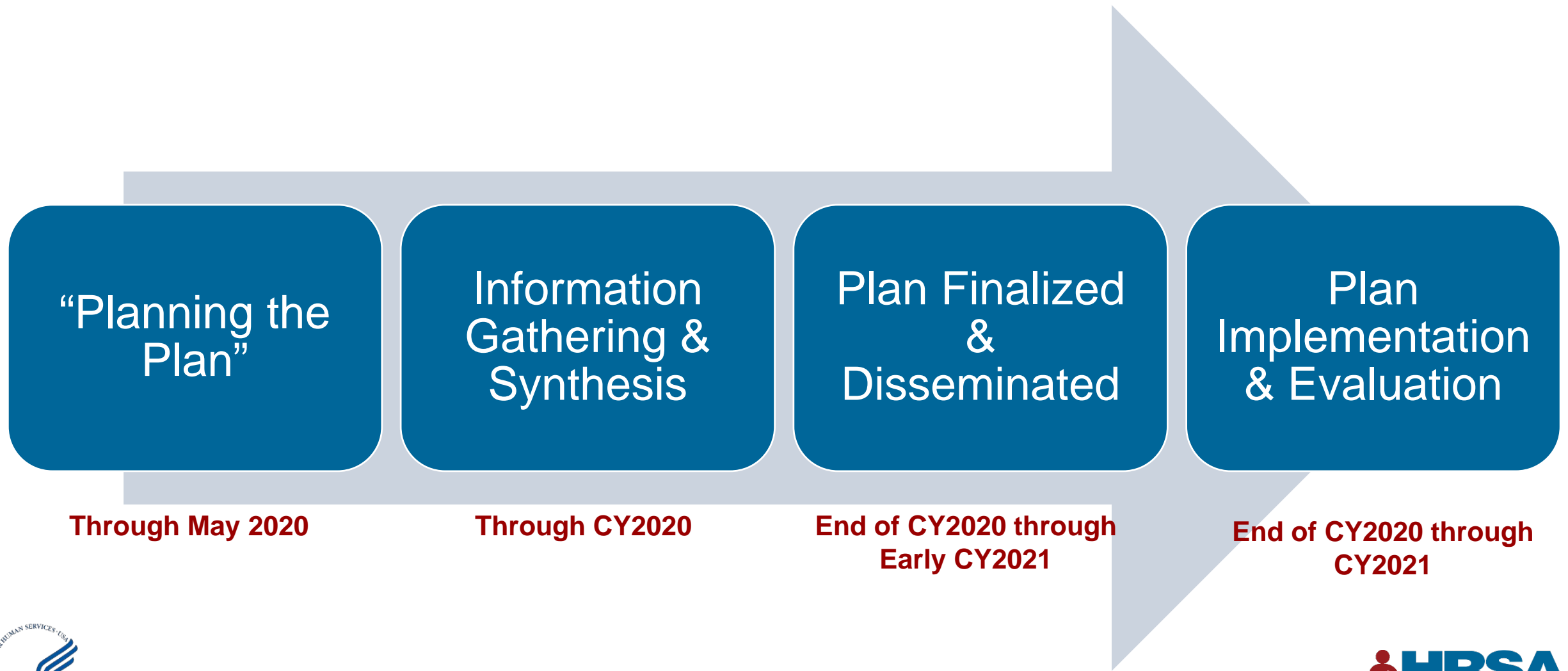
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Paradigm for Improving Maternal and Child Health

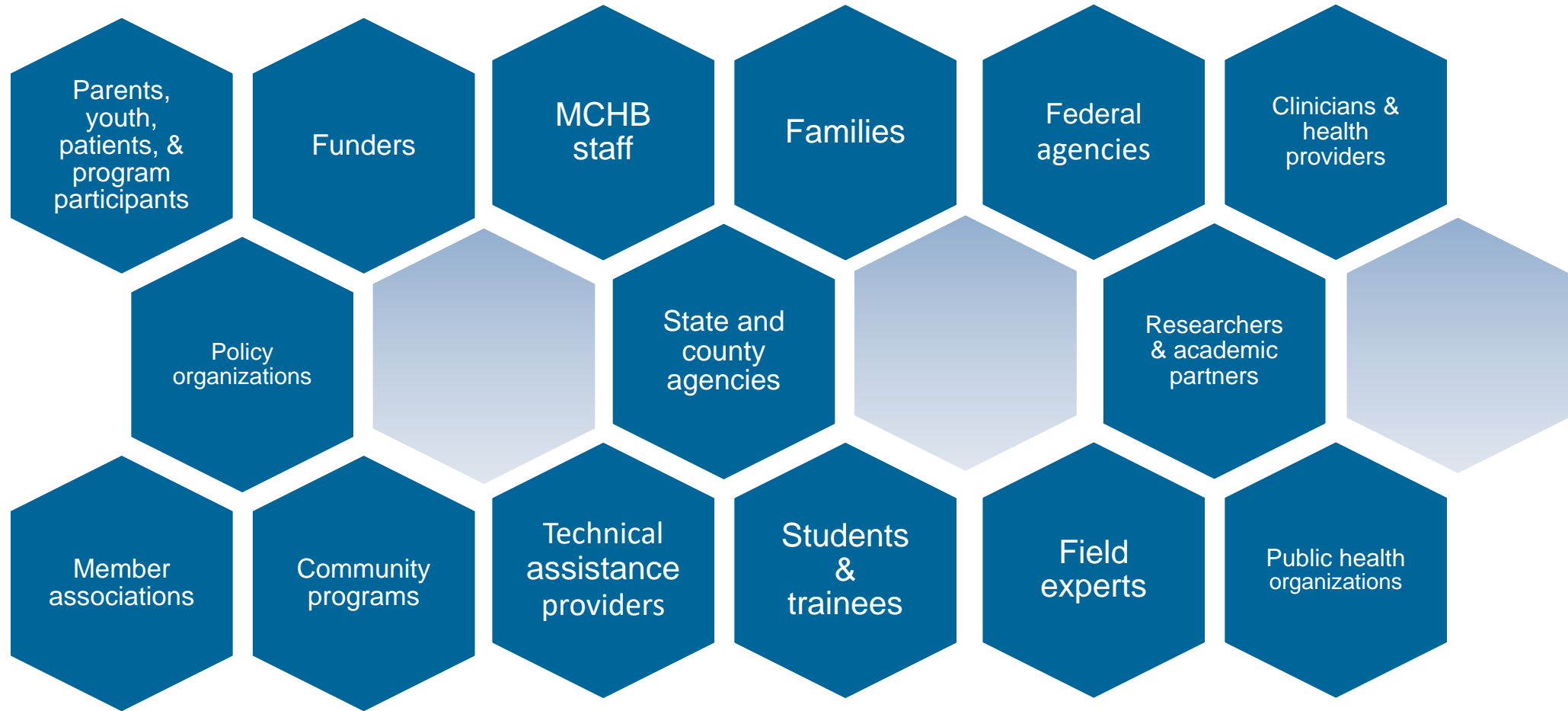


MCHB Strategic Plan



Stakeholder Input

Send SP comments via email to:
MCHStrategy.hrsa@hrsa.gov





CYSCHN Summit Series

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CYSCHN Summit Series

- Goal: To develop, with input from the field, a Blueprint to identify priorities and opportunities for focus in the years ahead including programs and systems supporting children and youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN) at the community, state and federal levels.
- Kick-off meeting held on September 22, 2020
- Additional discussions on the following focus areas:
 - Health equity
 - Access to services and supports
 - Family/child well being and quality of life
 - Financing of service



Opportunity for Public Input

- Additional Listening Sessions
- Request for public input (will share when released)
- Comments/ Questions: Contact us at CYSHCN@hrsa.gov
- Summer 2021: Finalized Blueprint



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