**SPAN & NEW JERSEY TITLE V**

**PARTNERSHIP ACROSS MCH DOMAINS & AT ALL LEVELS**

**Key Partnership Essentials: Respect + Relationships + Reliability + Resources + Recognition**

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| **Children & Youth with Special Healthcare Needs*****Family WRAP**** Project Care: Family Resource Specialists housed at county SCHS CMUs for support, advocacy
* Family Voices: Enhance family voices in policy decisions at all levels; support diverse parent leadership development
* NJ Statewide Parent to Parent: Provide parent to parent support & connection to resources for individual families & through support groups for underserved families
* Community of Care Consortium for CYSHCN
	+ Serves as a CYSHCN Stakeholder group for state agencies
	+ Workgroups on Core Outcomes for CYSHCN co-led by family leaders and state/provider agencies

***Partners for Prevention of Birth Defects & Developmental Disabilities/FASD Prevention**** Facilitated stakeholder meetings & collaboration to enhance effectiveness & reduce duplication
* Planned & facilitated annual Statewide Women’s Forum for women of childbearing age
* Co-plan & facilitate annual Statewide Network for Cultural Competence conference
* Educate providers, adolescents, & women about FASD prevention, and provide support groups for underserved women; train women from diverse communities to serve as support group facilitators

***EHDI Parent Leadership & Support**** Recruit, train & support diverse families of children with deafness/hearing loss to participate in EHDI Learning Communities
* Provide parent to parent support for families of children with deafness/hearing loss
* Establish a Deaf Mentor program

***LEND Family Mentorship & Leadership**** Recruit, train, support, & match diverse families to LEND
* Participate on LEND Advisory
 | **Maternal & Infant Health*****Improving Pregnancy Outcomes Community Health Workers (for 5 years)**** Identified underserved women of childbearing age, connected to resources including healthcare/coverage
* Completed Community Health Screenings used to identify community-based needs
* Diverse family leadership development & stipends to support parent leader activities in targeted communities
* Community Doula Pilot: trained CHWs & women from targeted communities to serve as Community Doulas
* Participate in Infant Mortality CoIIN
	+ Focus groups with women re: post-partum visit
	+ Health education brochures for diverse women
* Participate in Statewide MCH Core Team to Reduce Low Risk Cesarean Births
	+ Focus groups with diverse women re: reasons for low risk cesarean births
* Creation of Zika videos for women (English, Spanish, Haitian Creole)

***Community Doula Pilot (Newark/Essex County)**** Train community doulas & Community Health Workers
* Support community doulas & CHWs to support Black women before, during, & after birth process
	+ Decrease C-sections
	+ Increase initiation of breastfeeding
* Advocate for quality birthing experiences

***Help Me Grow, ECCS, & Home Visiting**** Serve as Parent Lead & part of State Leadership Team
* Train and support local parent leaders to be actively & effectively engaged

***Learn the Signs. Act Early Ambassador**** Engage & train parent leaders to become LTS.AE ambassadors in their local communities
* Develop & disseminate screening resources for families including Developmental Passport
 | **Child and Adolescent Health*****Parents as Champions for School Health**** Train parent leaders in low-income school districts to understand the CDC’s Whole School Whole Child (Coordinated School Health) model and how to partner effectively with their school and district to improve school health
* Build capacity of trained parent leaders to serve as presenters of the curriculum to enhance program reach
* Provide ongoing support to trained parent leaders to implement health improvement activities with small mini-grants
* Work with the three regional grantees who work directly with schools to help them more effectively engage diverse parent leaders

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