

# TITLE V MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH



## DOMAIN PROFILE: PERINATAL & INFANT

### PRIORITY

All infants and families have support from strong community systems to optimize infant health and well-being.

Percent of Kansas residents with a recent live birth in 2020 reporting:

(A) Infants placed to sleep on their backs most often

**82.3%**

● No change in trend since 2017

(B) Infants slept on a separate approved sleep surface, past 2 weeks

**46.1%**

▲ Increasing since 2017

(C) Infants slept without soft objects and loose bedding, past 2 weeks

**54.8%**

▲ Increasing significantly since 2017

Significant disparities by age, race/ethnicity, education level, WIC status during pregnancy, and payment source for delivery (2019-2020)

Source: Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Kansas Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System

**32.0%**

Percent of Kansas infants born in 2018 that were breastfed exclusively through 6 months



● No change in trend since 2016

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Immunization Survey

### REPORT FROM 2021

- During SFY 2021, 91% of MCH grantees provided services to the Perinatal and Infant population.
- The [KIDS Network](#) trained 14,017 individuals on safe sleep and bereavement.
- Trained all new [Kansas Perinatal Community Collaboratives](#) on safe sleep and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.
- 28 communities were designated as [Communities Supporting Breastfeeding](#).
- Created a [Breastfeeding Friendly Child Care Provider Toolkit](#).
- [Kansas Perinatal Quality Collaborative \(KPQC\)](#) launched the [Fourth Trimester Initiative](#) to decrease maternal morbidity and mortality.
- During SFY 2021, served 1,574 MCH home visiting clients.

### PLAN FOR 2023

- Reduce Sudden Unexpected Infant Deaths through network infrastructure, provider training, patient education, family support.
- Partner with [Kansas Breastfeeding Coalition](#) on effective strategies to eliminate racial disparities in breastfeeding.
- Continue the KPQC's work on the [Fourth Trimester Initiative](#).
- Implement the [Post-Birth Warning Signs Education Program](#) statewide.
- Through the Maternal Anti-Violence Innovation and Sharing Project, cross-train perinatal care providers and domestic violence service providers on perinatal mood and anxiety disorders, substance use, and intimate partner violence.
- Implement Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome as a mandated reportable birth defect.

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