

Regional Home Visiting Systems Coordination Project Systems Survey Highlights Year 6: Siskiyou California Region

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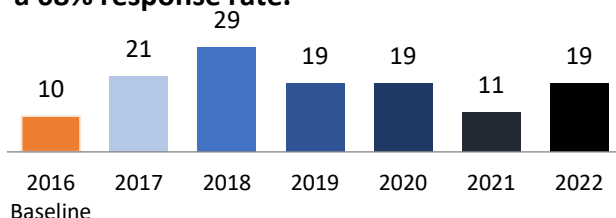
Beginning in 2016, The Ford Family Foundation began funding a Regional Home Visiting Systems Coordination (HVSC)

project. The vision for the project is for the Siskiyou County, California region to have a coordinated home visiting system that strengthens and benefits all home visiting models as part of each region's early childhood development system. The long-term goal for the project is to improve outcomes for children and families and expand the region's capacity to serve more families. The work is primarily focused on:

- Improving **internal communication** between and among home visiting providers;
- Increasing **community awareness** about the availability and benefits of home visiting;
- Development of a **coordinated referral system** to connect families to the best match home visiting or other family support programs; and
- Development of a regional **home visitor professional development plan** to promote shared learning.

To assess change over time, a survey asking about the regional home visiting system was administered with key stakeholders to provide a cross-sectional data point, following baseline in 2016 and each year thereafter.

Nineteen respondents in 2022 represented a 68% response rate.



Key Accomplishments & Opportunities

Stakeholders reported accomplishments in each of the primary areas work through the project, as well as areas for continued growth.

Internal Communication

Compared to recent prior years, more survey participants in 2022 agreed that there is effective communication overall across the region.

Survey participants also largely agreed that those involved in governance and planning for HVSC work have established and maintained a foundation for working together effectively.

Coordinated Referral

Fewer respondents this year reported that they use a shared/common referral form, but there was still relatively high agreement that there are effective informal referral agreements between partners.

There could be an opportunity for the Siskiyou region to focus additional efforts on the continued expansion and use of a shared referral form and maintaining referral agreements between partner organizations.

Shared Professional Development

The majority of survey participants agreed that the HV system was effective at sharing professional development resources and building from a training plan.

Community Awareness

Fewer respondents agreed that families and staff know about HV programs and services, and fewer felt there were effective ways to get the word out to families about home visiting services. This could be an opportunity for the Siskiyou region to focus on during the coming year.

