

CDC's National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities

MONTANA



Improving Health Together through direct funding and national efforts

It is important to ensure babies are born healthy, children reach their full potential, and everyone thrives in Montana. CDC's National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD) is committed to supporting Montana in its efforts to achieve this vision and here is how.



SAVING BABIES

through birth defects prevention and research

Birth defects impact nearly 1 in 33 babies born each year. NCBDDD's state-based birth defects tracking and research identify causes of birth defects, opportunities to prevent them, and form the foundation for helping babies thrive. NCBDDD research was instrumental in efforts to implement folic acid fortification—saving babies as well as millions in healthcare costs each year.



HELPING CHILDREN

live to the fullest by understanding developmental disabilities

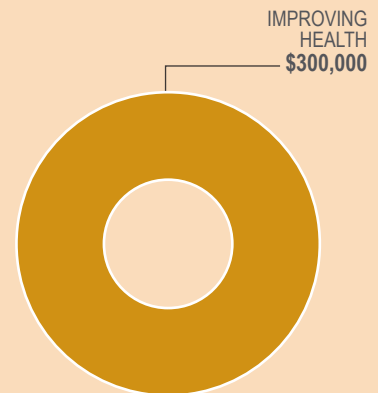
NCBDDD is committed to tracking, researching, and providing useful tools and information on developmental disabilities. NCBDDD's **Learn the Signs. Act Early.** program collaborates with partners throughout

FAST FACTS:

NCBDDD direct funding
in Montana for
fiscal year 2017

\$300k

Funding Investment





Montana to promote developmental monitoring, identify children with developmental delays, and connect those families with appropriate services and support as early as possible.

NCBDDD's **Early Hearing Detection and Intervention** program in Montana successfully tested 96.8% (12,012) of newborn babies for hearing loss and identified 27 babies who were deaf or hard of hearing. These babies and their families will benefit from services that will keep their learning on par with their hearing peers.



PROTECTING PEOPLE

and preventing complications of blood disorders

NCBDDD's work to protect the people of Montana from complications of blood disorders is broad-ranging. It includes understanding preventable blood transfusion complications; developing, implementing, and evaluating programs that help consumers and healthcare providers get critical information on preventing complications of blood disorders; and supporting best practices for blood clot prevention.



IMPROVING HEALTH

of people with disabilities

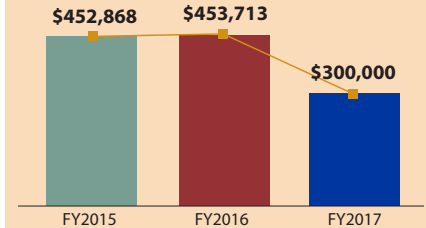
More than 1 in 5 (22%) of American adults live with a disability. As reported in CDC's **Disability and Health Data System**, 21.4% of adults in Montana live with a disability. Healthcare expenditures related to disability cost Montana \$1.1 billion per year and account for 24% of total healthcare expenditures for Montana.*

NCBDDD helps to ensure that individuals with a disability in Montana have the same opportunity for good health as those without a disability. Despite progress, adults with disabilities in Montana and across the country continue to experience significant differences in health characteristics and behaviors compared to adults without disabilities.

Programs funded by NCBDDD are being designed and implemented to improve the health of people with disabilities in Montana, such as the **Montana Disability and Health Program's** Disability Advisors who infuse disability inclusion and wellness goals in state and local public health efforts.

* Disability-associated healthcare expenditures are presented in 2006 dollars as reported in Anderson WL, et al. Estimates of state-level health-care expenditures associated with disability. Public Health Rep. 2010 Jan-Feb;125(1);44-51.

Annual Program Funding*



NCBDDD is directly funding

- Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services
- (\$300,000)**

* More information about NCBDDD and our support in Montana is available at www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/aboutus/report/index.html

“We have accomplished a lot together, but there is more work to be done.”

Coleen A. Boyle,
PhD, MSHyg

