

# CDC's National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities

## NEVADA



### 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 Nevada. CDC's National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD) is committed to supporting Nevada 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.

NCBDDD funds the University of Nevada, Reno as a fetal alcohol spectrum disorders practice and implementation center, working with nurses and pediatricians to improve fetal alcohol spectrum disorders prevention and intervention.

### FAST FACTS:

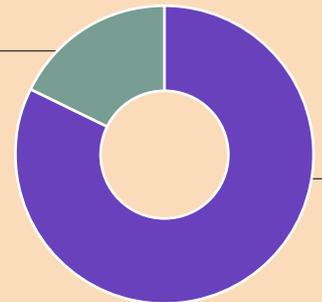
NCBDDD direct funding  
in Nevada for  
fiscal year 2017

# \$857k

### Funding Investment

HELPING  
CHILDREN  
\$149,933

SAVING  
BABIES  
\$706,700





## 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 Nevada 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 Nevada successfully tested 95.7% (33,969) of newborn babies for hearing loss and identified 58 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 Nevada 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.

NCBDDD also supports one hemophilia treatment center in Nevada through a national program. Hemophilia treatment centers are specialized healthcare centers that provide comprehensive care for patients with hemophilia.



## IMPROVING HEALTH

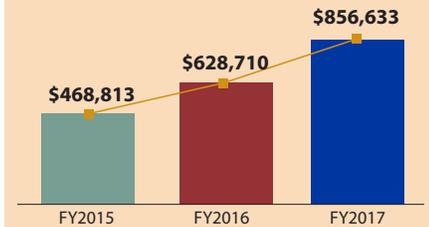
of people with disabilities

More than 1 in 5 (22%) of American adults live with a disability. NCBDDD helps to ensure that individuals with a disability in Nevada have the same opportunity for good health as those without a disability. Programs funded by NCBDDD are being designed and implemented to improve the health of people with disabilities in Nevada.

NCBDDD funds the University of Utah, which serves Nevada, as part of the **Muscular Dystrophy Surveillance, Tracking, and Research Network (MD STARnet)**. Data from MD STARnet provide the evidence needed to identify the best care for people with muscular dystrophy.

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## Annual Program Funding\*



### NCBDDD is directly funding

- Board of Regents,  
University of Nevada Reno  
(\$494,200)
- Nevada Department of  
Health and Human Services  
(\$162,433)
- Southern Nevada  
Health District  
(\$200,000)

\* More information about NCBDDD and our support in Nevada is available at [www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/aboutus/report/index.html](http://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