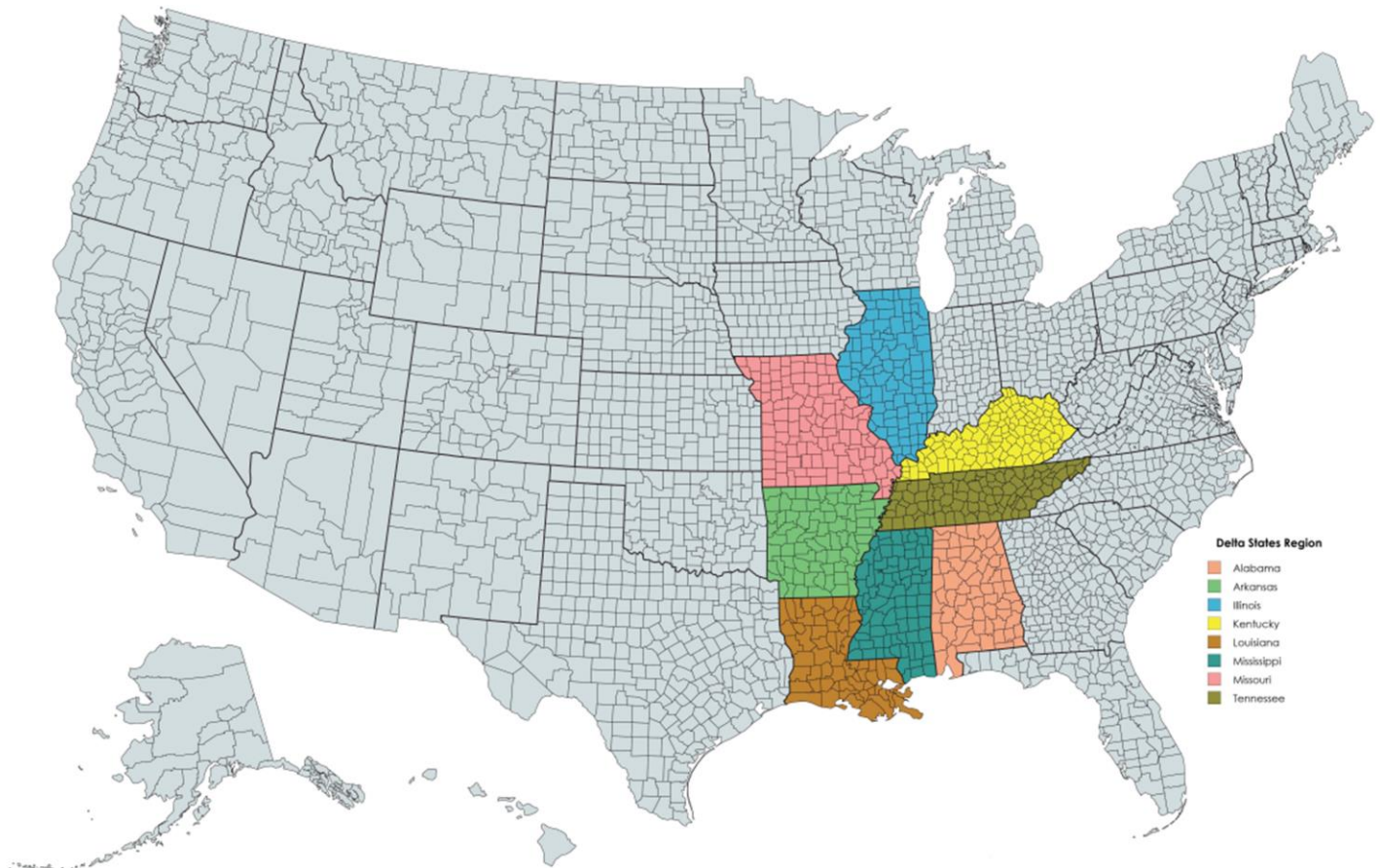


Directory

Delta States Rural Development Network Grant Program

2016 - 2019





Grantee Directory

The Delta States Rural Development Network Grant Program

The Delta States Rural Development Network Grant Program (Delta Program) funds organizations located in the eight Delta States (Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee) which address unmet local health care needs and prevalent health disparities in rural communities located in the Delta region. The Delta Program fosters collaborative efforts among rural providers, as many of these disparities could not be solved by single entities working alone. The purpose of the program is to promote the development of integrated health care networks to: achieve efficiencies; expand access to, coordinate, and improve the quality of essential health care services; and strengthen the rural health care system as a whole. Grantees are implementing multi-county evidence-based projects that address the following key focus areas: diabetes, cardiovascular disease, obesity and acute ischemic stroke.

In addition to the required key focus area(s), grantees may devote a percentage of grant funds toward another issue which may be of need in the service area. This other issue area may or may not be clinical focused, and may include areas such as pharmacy assistance, electronic health record management (funds should not go toward implementation, but rather towards enhancing the system in place), oral health, cancer screening, women's health or child poverty.

Grantees are tasked to implement programmatic activities across their entire service region, with particular effort and resources directed towards the most underserved communities with highest unmet health care and health promotion needs.

This directory provides contact information and a brief overview of the twelve initiatives funded under the Delta States Rural Development Network Grant Program in the 2016-2019 funding cycle.

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Alabama



Grant Number	D60RH30333		
Grantee Organization Name	Rural Alabama Prevention Center		
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Grantee organization website	N/A		
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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019		
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	Alabama Cooperative Extension Systems	Health Now Home Health	
	Community Health Education and Resource Center	Hill Hospital of Sumter County	
	Monroe County Hospital	Tuskegee Area Health Education Center	
	Greene County Health System	West Alabama Mental Health	
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Barbour	Pickens	
	Bullock	Sumter	
	Butler	Washington	
	Choctaw	Wilcox	
	Clarke		
	Conecuh		
	Dallas		
	Escambia		
	Greene		
	Hale		
	Macon		
	Marengo		
	Monroe		
	Perry		
Target population(s) served	Adults	Latinos	
	Elderly	Underinsured	
	African Americans	Uninsured	
	Caucasians		
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Access to Care: Primary	Coordination of Care Services	
	Access to Care: Specialty	Enrollment in Public/Private Health Care Coverage	
	Behavioral/Mental Health	Health Education and Promotion	
	Chronic Disease Care Management	Pharmacy Assistance	
	Cardiovascular Disease	Physical Fitness and Nutrition	
	Diabetes		
Project Purpose	The purpose of South West Alabama Health Improvement Initiative (SWAHII) is to 1) reduce frequent use of the emergency room; 2) prevent unnecessary hospitalization; 3) reduce repeat hospital admission; and 4) support individuals in making life-style changes to prevent or reduce the impact of chronic disease.		

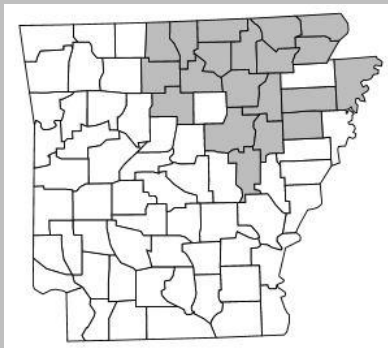


	<p>SWAHI has two primary program components: <i>Chronic Disease Prevention in Churches for the prevention of obesity, heart disease, diabetes, and stroke, with an emphasis on smoking cessation. Church members who are at-risk of developing chronic disease, based on their family history, BMI, and A1C levels, and other risk factors, participate in the Body and Soul Wellness program, a best practice model.</i></p> <p><i>Care Management for people diagnosed with Chronic Disease to include Diabetes, Congestive Heart Failure (CHF), chronic obstruction pulmonary disease (COPD), with an emphasis on mental health. Patients who present to the participating hospitals emergency room, with a diagnosis of type 2 diabetes, CHF and/or COPD will be referred to Care Coordinator for further screening, eligibility, and enrollment. The care management program utilizes the Reducing Care Fragmentation Model: A Toolkit for Coordinating Care.</i></p>			
Project Goals	<p>The goals of SWAHI are to: 1) reduce the prevalence of chronic disease in South West Alabama and 2) reduce health care utilization and cost of persons with or at-risk of developing chronic diseases.</p>			
Project Expected Outcomes	<p>The anticipated outcomes of SWAHI are: 1) more coordinated system of care for those with chronic conditions throughout southwest Alabama; 2) more skilled care coordinators across the Alabama Delta involved in the patient's care; 3) increased patient knowledge of the importance of self-monitoring of blood glucose, dietary habits, physical activity, and glycemic control, especially in the short term; 4) improved health-related quality of life with fewer unhealthy physical days and fewer unhealthy mental days; 5) improved blood sugar control, blood pressure, lipid levels, BMIs; 6) improved communication with doctors, medication compliance, and health literacy; 7) reduced health care utilization and cost of persons with or at-risk of developing chronic diseases; 8) reduced frequent use of the emergency room; 9) reduced hospitalization/ hospital days; 10) reduce duplication of tests, services; 11) reduced repeat hospital admission; 12) reduced cost for patient i.e. transportation; and 13) enhanced and sustainable services for continual care coordination for chronically ill patients.</p>			
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Arkansas



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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019		
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	1 st Choice Healthcare, Inc.		
	Boston Mountain Rural Health Center, Inc.		
	Crowley's Ridge Development Council, Inc.		
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Baxter	Woodruff	
	Independence	Fulton	
	Jackson	Lawrence	
	Poinsett	Sharp	
	White	Searcy	
	Clay	Van Buren	
	Greene		
	Randolph		
	Marion		
	Stone		
	Cross		
	Izard		
	Mississippi		
	Prairie		
	Target population(s) served	Adults	Latinos
Elderly		Native Americans	
African Americans		Underinsured	
Caucasians		Uninsured	
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Access to Care: Primary	Diabetes	
	Chronic Disease Care Management	Coordination of Care Services	
	Cardiovascular Disease	Health Education and Promotion	
Project Purpose	The purpose of the Health in Action project is to provide access to residents in a 20-county service area who have a chronic disease such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, obesity, or issues related to stroke. Health education programs, care coordination, and chronic disease management will be made available to all community residents.		



Project Goals	The overarching goal of the project is to reduce the incidence of chronic disease health issues for rural Arkansans. Key strategies to accomplish this goal include: 1) develop an outreach plan to promote the Health in Action programs, 2) expand the chronic disease self-management programs to areas that currently do not have this service, 3) provide health care related services to high risk chronic disease patients, 4) implement care team coordination and health coaching, and 5) develop a Strategic Plan for the Network.				
Project Expected Outcomes	Expected outcomes for the Health in Action project operated by the Arkansas Delta States Health Network include improved biometric indicators of project participants, increased number of patients with a healthy weight, improved knowledge by patients about chronic disease self-management, and decreased emergency rooms visits for non-emergent needs.				
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Arkansas



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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019		
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network collaborates	Arkansas Coalition for Obesity Prevention		
	University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences East		
	Community Health Centers of AR, Inc.		
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Arkansas	Monroe	
	Ashley	Ouachita	
	Bradley	Phillips	
	Calhoun	St. Francis	
	Cleveland	Union	
	Chicot		
	Dallas		
	Desha		
	Drew		
	Grant		
	Jefferson		
	Lee		
	Lincoln		
	Lonoke		
Target population(s) served	Adults	Underinsured	
	Elderly	Uninsured	
	Providers at Member and Partner sites		
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Chronic Disease Care Management	Health Education and Promotion	
	Diabetes	Pharmacy Assistance	
	Coordination of Care Services	Health Education for Providers	
	Enrollment in Public/Private Health Care Coverage		
Project Purpose	The Greater Delta Alliance for Health's (GDAH) Healthy Communities Initiative (HCI) in the Arkansas Delta Region A addresses the need for improved educational opportunities and support services for health care providers, thus allowing them to thrive in a system that practices evidence-based, updated chronic disease management and care.		



Project Goals	The GDAH focuses on 1) improving the quality of healthcare services by providing continuing education and resources to health care provider; 2) improving the health outcomes and reducing hospital admissions for diabetes patients by providing patient assistance, support, education, and self-management programs throughout the service area; 3) improving coordination among health and social service agencies through communication efforts; and 4) increasing population health initiatives in Arkansas Delta communities by providing assistance to communities through funding opportunities.				
Project Expected Outcomes	Residents and health care providers in Arkansas Delta communities will benefit from greater access to healthcare and social service resources, area-wide coordination and communication efforts, a pilot project to reduce hospital readmissions, and a funding initiative enabling communities to implement their own community health initiatives.				
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Illinois



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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019			
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	American Cancer Society	Jackson County Health Department		
	Centerstone	Perry County Health Department		
	Egyptian Health Department	Southern Illinois Healthcare		
	Family Counseling Center	Southern Seven Health Department		
	Franklin/Williamson Bi-County Health Department	University of Illinois Extension		
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Alexander	White		
	Franklin	Williamson		
	Gallatin			
	Hamilton			
	Hardin			
	Jackson			
	Johnson			
	Massac			
	Perry			
	Pope			
	Pulaski			
	Randolph			
	Union			
	Saline			
	Target population(s) served	Pre-school children	School aged children - elementary	
		Adults	School aged children - teens	
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Behavioral/Mental Health	Diabetes		
	Chronic Disease Care Management	Health Education and Promotion		
	Children's Health			
Project Purpose	<p>CATCH onto Health! Initiative has been positively impacting Illinois Delta youth for 9 years. Through the implementation of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's Coordinated School Health Model, we currently reach over 75% of 106 possible schools in the 16 counties of the Illinois Delta Region. Participating schools have been provided assistance in creating healthier school environments through advocating for school nurses and school health services; developing wellness teams; drafting inclusive wellness policies; providing professional development opportunities; implementing strategies to increase activity levels during PE and free play; and assisting school chefs to prepare healthy, appealing meals within their budgets and in accordance with state regulations. Mental health disparities and high child poverty rates permeate the Illinois Delta counties. The Illinois CATCH onto</p>			



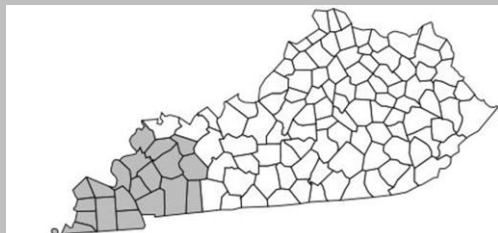
	<p>Health Consortium (IHC) will enhance and expand the successful, current school-based efforts by adding a strong emotional and mental health component. This expanded focus will incorporate the Signs of Suicide (SOS) curriculum, provide bullying and character education, train community and school personnel in Mental Health First Aide, and strengthen the region's mental health workforce serving school-aged children. The incorporation of social and emotional focused components reflect a shift toward the implementation of the expanded <i>Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child</i> (WSCC) model to improve overall health of youth in the Illinois Delta Region. The IHC will provide leadership for building increased capacity for Illinois Delta schools to continue effectively improving school health through policy, systems, and environmental change, thus promoting sustainability and a strong fundamental attitude regarding the importance of general wellness, both in schools and in the community. This enhanced initiative encourages the use of the WSCC model as a framework for improving students' learning and health that can help prevent and lower incidence of many diseases related to sedentary lifestyles and obesity, improve Delta children's cognitive, physical, social and emotional development and ultimately impact the child poverty rate in a positive way for the region's youth.</p>
<p>Project Goals</p>	<p>The goal of creating school environments that are healthy, safe, engaged and supported are guiding the programmatic efforts of the Illinois CATCH on to Health Consortium. The key focus area of this effort is a prevention-oriented lifestyle and environmental changes targeted at creating social and physical environments that promote the health of elementary children and their families. Ultimately, through the development of these skills, the youth in the Illinois Delta region will gain the knowledge and skills to make healthy choices for a lifetime in all aspects of their lives; thereby adopting healthy eating behaviors, increasing physical activity, and developing stronger social and emotional skills. A focus on prevention will not only improve the health of Illinois Delta, but also help to move toward our overarching goals to reduce health care costs, improve quality of care, reduce chronic disease rate, increase capacity to access appropriate mental health resources, and reduce suicide rates throughout the Delta region.</p>
<p>Project Expected Outcome</p>	<p>The IHC is working to remove barriers that allow for making the healthy choice the easy choice throughout the Delta region. But, to accomplish this task the IHC expanded its thinking and programmatic efforts to look at all of the social determinants of health. The range of personal, social, economic, and environmental factors that influence health and often fall outside the hospital or clinic walls, yet their inter-relationship affects individual and community health. These factors disproportionately affect vulnerable and underrepresented populations and adversely affect quality of life and health for all of us. The IHC, in order to address the social determinants of health impacting the health of Illinois Delta youth utilized, a "population health lens" when developing its proposed program plan. These efforts, in relation to the work of IHC, propose to improve health among students, family and members of the community by strengthening understanding and impact of school wellness policies that increase physical education/physical activity, improve nutrition quality and access to foods available in schools. Specifically, the IHC will focus on educating communities about the benefits of gardening, at home, in schools and within communities; the benefits of purchasing local foods; and encouraging use of garden produce and local food purchases in home and school menu planning; thereby, decreasing rates of chronic disease present among youth in the Delta region. Additionally, IHC efforts will to improve the social and emotional needs of students through the implementation of character education, bullying prevention, <i>Signs of Suicide</i> curriculum, and providing training on <i>Mental Health First Aid</i> for youth and adults. The IHC recognizes that academic achievement is an excellent indicator for the overall well-being of youth and can be a</p>

	<p>primary predictor and determinant of adult health outcomes. Individuals with more education are likely to live longer; experience better health outcomes; and practice health-promoting behaviors such as exercising regularly, refraining from smoking, and obtaining timely health care check-ups and screenings. The ICHC wants to positively impact the close relationship between health and education, as well as, foster health and well-being within the school environment for all students.</p>				
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Kentucky



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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019		
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	The Alliance for a Healthier Generation		
	The University of Kentucky College of Dentistry		
	West Area Health Education Center		
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Ballard	McCracken	
	Caldwell	Muhlenberg	
	Calloway	Todd	
	Carlisle	Trigg	
	Christian	Union	
	Crittenden	Webster	
	Fulton		
	Graves		
	Hickman		
	Hopkins		
	Livingston		
	Lyon		
	Marshall		
	McClellan		
	Target population(s) served	Adults	Latinos
African Americans		School aged children - elementary	
Caucasians		School aged children - teens	
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Health Education and Promotion		
	Obesity		
Project Purpose	The purpose of the Delta Project is to promote physical activity and healthy lifestyle choices. The Project includes a school wellness initiative that assists schools with building sustainable wellness committees to address health needs and utilize school and/or classroom-based physical activity and movement curriculum.		
Project Goals	The goal of the Delta Project is to enhance the culture of wellness in the service area schools by involving school staff, students, parents, and community organizations. Objectives within the goal are to: 1) maintain school wellness initiative participation of current 92 schools; 2) expand sustainable wellness committee framework to include service area elementary, middle, and high schools; and 3) promote community wellness throughout the service area.		

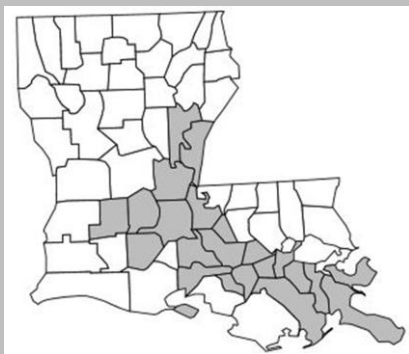


Project Expected Outcomes	The expected outcomes of the Delta Project include expanded school wellness promotion efforts and enhanced healthy lifestyle education for service area residents, and long-term commitment to school wellness activity development and structure.				
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Louisiana



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Grantee organization website	www.growingupfit.org				
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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019				
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	Bunkie General Hospital	Louisiana State University Dental School			
	Louisiana Department of Health & Hospitals Bureau of Family Health	Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center			
	Louisiana Public Health Institute	Southwest Louisiana Area Health Education Center			
	Louisiana Rural Health Association				
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Acadia	St. Charles			
	Allen	St. Bernard			
	Ascension	St. John			
	Assumption	St. James			
	Avoyelles	St. Landry			
	Catahoula	St. Martin			
	Concordia	West Baton Rouge			
	Evangeline				
	Iberia				
	Iberville				
	Jefferson				
	Lafourche				
	Plaquemines				
	Pointe Coupee				
Target population(s) served	Pre-school children	Latinos			
	School aged children - elementary	Native Americans			
	African Americans	Underinsured			
	Caucasians	Uninsured			
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Children's Health	Oral Health			
	Health Education and Promotion	Physical Fitness and Nutrition			
Project Purpose	The Health Enrichment Network's (THEN) purpose is to address the health disparities of children living in poverty throughout 21 rural Delta-designated, Louisiana parishes. In response to evidence that early interventions offer sizable benefits in health and behavioral competencies, EatMoveGrow will focus its work in 30 daycare/head start sites and 40 elementary schools to create healthier school environments.				

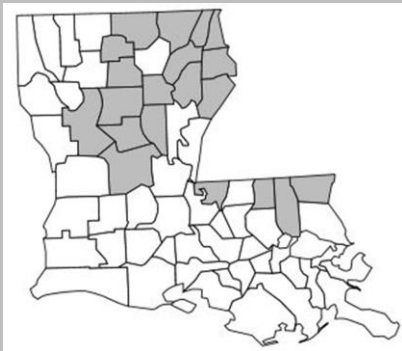


Project Goals	EatMoveGrow has four goals: 1) teach students in their formative years how to lead a healthy lifestyle, 2) improve children's health environment during the school day, 3) provide families with education necessary to support healthy environments at home, and 4) and provide improved access to oral health as a second program area			
Project Expected Outcomes	The expected EatMoveGrow outcomes are to improve health knowledge and practice, increase access to healthy living opportunities, decrease BMI levels and waist circumference in the target population, and increase access to oral health services.			
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Louisiana



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	City:	Delhi	State: Louisiana Zip-code: 71232
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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019		
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	Christus St. Francis Cabrini Hospital	Franklin High School	
	West Feliciana Parish Hospital	Franklinton High School	
	Richland Parish Hospital	General Trass High School	
	Bogalusa High School Based Health Center (SBHC)	Lincoln Preparatory Academy	
	Delhi Community SBHC	Grant High School	
	Glenmora SBHC	Jena High School	
	Grant SBHC	Jonesboro-Hodge High School	
	Jena HS SBHC	Lakeview High School	
	Jonesboro-Hodge SBHC	LaSalle High School	
	Lakeview HS SBHC	Madison High School	
	Madison High School	Natchitoches Central High School	
	Atlanta High School	Oak Grove High School	
	Beekman Charter School	St. Helena College & Career Academy	
	Bogalusa High School	Sumner High School	
	Calvin High School	Tensas High School	
	Delhi High School	Union High School	
	Epps High School	West Feliciana Parish High School	
	Family Christian Academy		
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Caldwell	Tensas	
	East Carroll	Union	
	Franklin	Washington	
	Grant	West Carroll	
	Jackson	West Feliciana	
	LaSalle	Winn	
	Lincoln		
	Madison		
	Morehouse		
	Natchitoches		
	Rapides		
	Richland		
	St. Helena		
	Tangipahoa		
	Target population(s) served	School aged children - teens	
Adults (faculty and staff at participating schools)			




Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Diabetes	
	Health Education and Promotion	
Project Purpose	<p>The overarching purpose of the North Louisiana Regional Pre Diabetes Prevention Collaborative Adolescent Initiative is to reduce the incidences of type II diabetes in communities in rural Northeast Louisiana (NE LA) by increasing access to preventive health care services and promoting community awareness of the need to make lasting lifestyle changes that improve nutrition and increase physical activity.</p>	
Project Goals	<p>The goals of the project are to: 1) expand the promising practice model The Richland Awareness Campaign (TRAC) Pre-Diabetes Prevention Program in additional school settings throughout the 20 Parishes, designated as LA Service Region A by the Delta States Network Program, 2) increase the parents, school staff, community, and local health care providers' awareness of pre-diabetes and its importance in predicting future diabetic events, 3) decrease the incidence of future Diabetes Mellitus Type II (Type II Diabetes) in LA Service Region A, through aggressive management of high school students found to have a pre-diabetic state, by applying the chronic care model to diabetes prevention in community and primary care settings, 4) implement the promising practice model Richland Parish "TRAC" Pre-Diabetes Prevention Program to the adult population, 5) increase healthy lifestyles for adolescents and their families, by fostering school-based environments that promote physical activity, healthy eating habits, and social interaction, and 6) craft a strategic plan and a sustainability plan, for the successful development of the NE LA Diabetes Prevention Collaborative – Adolescent Initiative that is supported, implemented and sustained by the collaborative.</p>	
Project Expected Outcomes	<p>The anticipated outcomes of the project are: 1) establish a viable pre-diabetes screening and prevention program targeted to students ages 14-18, with support of parents, teachers, and health providers in high schools in each of 20 Region A Delta parishes, and in the rural areas where diabetes prevalence is higher than state or national levels, 2) students ages 14-18 and adult faculty/staff screened and found to have diabetes or pre-diabetes are aware of their status, given health and lifestyle information, and offered the opportunity to participate in physical activity and consumption of healthy foods, in order to prevent or delay progression into a full diabetes diagnosis, 3) pre-diabetic students and adults are more physically active and eat more nutritiously, with increased fitness and health levels, 4) rural residents both high school students and parents who are underserved, uninsured, and minorities at higher risk of diabetes have access to pre-diabetes health screenings and follow-up as needed, 5) increased awareness of the potential to prevent pre-diabetes and diabetes through increased physical activity and better nutrition, 6) increased awareness of pre-diabetes as a diagnosable illness by providers and residents, and increased use of screening services by providers and residents, 7) School Based Health Centers, school nurses, and other health care providers in health facilities increase standardized use of pre-diabetes screening for patients, 8) increased access to screening, and the opportunity to learn preventive strategies to overcome risks for diabetes among the population of low income, uninsured, and minorities, 9) expansion of the Pre-Diabetes Prevention Program in North Louisiana Region A of Northeast Louisiana; 10) participants form a "critical mass" of residents in positions of influence to promote physical and nutritional environments conducive to healthier living, 11) reduced diabetes morbidity and mortality rates in official Louisiana Health Statistics, and 12) reduced health disparities in diabetes diagnoses, morbidity and mortality, especially among African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Asians.</p>	

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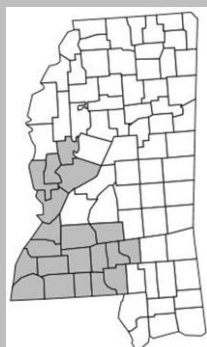
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Grantee Organization Name	Delta Health Alliance, Inc.				
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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019				
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	Aaron E. Henry Community Health Centers				
	Leland Medical Clinic				
	Mallory Community Health Centers				
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program					
	Attala	Tallahatchie			
	Benton	Tate			
	Bolivar	Tippah			
	Carroll	Tunica			
	Coahoma	Union			
	Grenada	Washington			
	Holmes	Yalobusha			
	Lafayette				
	Leflore				
	Marshall				
	Montgomery				
	Panola				
	Quitman				
	Sunflower				
Target population(s) served	Adults	Latinos			
	Elderly	Native Americans			
	African Americans	Underinsured			
	Caucasians	Uninsured			
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Access to Care: Primary	Coordination of Care Services			
	Access to Care: Specialty	Emergency Medical Services			
	Aging	Health Education and Promotion			
	Behavioral/Mental Health	Health Information Technology (HIT)			
	Chronic Disease Care Management	Integrated Systems of Care			
	Chronic Disease: Cardiovascular Disease	Pharmacy Assistance			
	Chronic Disease: Diabetes	Physical Fitness and Nutrition			
	Community Health Workers				
Project Purpose	The Delta Heart Health Network focuses on addressing cardiovascular disease, obesity, and mental health services among communities within a 21-county service area. The project establishes a series of coordinated, systematic activities designed to dramatically improve patients' cardiovascular health by improving care coordination and post-discharge care throughout the service area.				

Project Goals	The project intends to 1) improve care coordination and awareness among healthcare providers regarding their patients' health status; 2) establish a network of Community Health Workers (CHW) to increase care transitions and coordination of services between service providers; 3) raise awareness and increase adoption of healthy lifestyles through CHWs, with emphasis on rural and impoverished neighborhoods.				
Project Expected Outcomes	Expected outcomes include: reduced 30-day unplanned readmissions, enhanced chronic disease management, increased number of patients with depressive episodes receiving treatment, increased number of patients with heart disease receiving nutrition counseling and education, decreased smoking rate, and increased awareness of the early warning signs for heart attacks.				
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Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	Claiborne County Family Health Center		Southeast Mississippi Rural Health Initiative, Inc.		
	Jefferson Comprehensive Health Center				
	Sharkey-Issaquena Community Hospital				
	Southwest Mississippi Opportunity				
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Adams		Sharkey		
	Amite		Simpson		
	Claiborne		Walthall		
	Copiah		Warren		
	Covington		Wilkinson		
	Franklin		Yazoo		
	Humphreys				
	Issaquena				
	Jefferson				
	Jefferson Davis				
	Lawrence				
	Lincoln				
	Marion				
	Pike				
	Target population(s) served	Pre-school children		African Americans	
School aged children - elementary		Caucasians			
School aged children - teens		Latinos			
Adults		Underinsured			
Elderly		Uninsured			
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Access to Care: Primary		Oral Health		
	Chronic Disease: Diabetes		Pharmacy Assistance		
	Community Health Workers		Physical Fitness and Nutrition		
	Health Education and Promotion		Childhood Poverty		
Project Purpose	<p>Vision: The Mississippi Strategic Health Information Network Expansion (SHINE) Project is working to ensure that all 20 Delta counties will have a change of life through health education and network expansion.</p> <p>Mission: The Mississippi Strategic Health Information Network Expansion (SHINE) Project has a mission to promote the health and wellness of the population within the 20 Delta counties through education and initiatives. We accomplish this by supporting communities in making healthy choices in their workplace and home,</p>				



	<p>educating residents on obesity and childhood poverty, increasing awareness of factors and resources contributing to their well-being, inspiring and empowering individuals to take responsibility for their own health, and improving the quality of life for communities.</p> <p>The Mississippi SHINE Project is a community-based networking effort governed by a five-member consortium that engages a wide variety of health and social service agencies, to provide direct health outreach and services to over 27,000 individuals annually. Additional health marketing and promotion effort produce a total aggregate impact of over 1,000,000 encounters annually. The lead applicant is Jefferson Comprehensive Health Center (JCHC), a Federally Qualified Health Center in Fayette, Jefferson County, Mississippi, that has functioned as the federal lead agency for this project since 2007. The service area consists of twenty rural Delta counties in the southwest corner of the state, and the primary target population involves medically indigent residents living below the federal poverty designation. This population suffers disproportionately from hypertension, high cholesterol, diabetes, heart disease, as well as other chronic diseases caused in part by obesity. Therefore, obesity is the primary focus area of this grant. Due to the high rate of childhood poverty in the SHINE target area, this is an additional focus of this initiative. By addressing both of these issues, SHINE is well-positioned to effect significant, positive impacts on the health status of the region.</p>
<p>Project Goals</p>	<p>The goals for this project are:</p> <p>Goal 1: Maintain and strengthen the existing community-based network of health and social service providers committed to providing enhanced services and increased access to medically disadvantaged residents, within 20 southwestern counties.</p> <p>Goal 2: Provide health education, prevention, and obesity management services to 10,000 individuals annually.</p> <p>Goal 3: Conduct 15,000 health screening to include BMI, blood pressure checks, glucose test screenings annually to adults and adolescents throughout the 20 counties.</p> <p>Goal 4: Provide nutrition, oral health education, and exercise information to combat childhood poverty issues to 12,000 individuals annually.</p> <p>Goal 5: Conduct health marketing and promotion initiatives to produce a total aggregate impact of 1,000,000 marketing encounters annually.</p> <p>Key chronic disease risk factors, such as obesity and lack of physical activity, include strong lifestyle and behavioral components. This provides the MS SHINE Project with great potential to achieve positive impact on the health status of the population, through cost-effective means, such as health education, health marketing and health screenings.</p> <p>Certified Community Health Workers (CCHW) work with each network to provide health information to community members, individuals, and/or groups, through meetings, seminars, health fairs and advertisements. They assist with the marketing efforts of the network members and conduct health screenings. Mississippi SHINE staff members are currently trained as CCHW, and have additional training as Certified Health Advocates through the University Medical Center.</p>

Project Expected Outcomes	<p>Outcomes evaluation involves the collection of numerical data associated with each planned activity. Goals 2, 3, 4, and 5 include quantitative targets by which the level of success is determined on an annual basis.</p> <p>Provide health education, prevention, and obesity management services to 15,000 individuals annually. The objective is to provide education and services to medically indigent residents of all 20 counties.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At least 60% of the JCHC adult patients, age 18 years or older, who have a BMI that lists them as obese or overweight, have follow-up plan created to assist with the reduction of weight loss, and provided with nutrition education. <p>Conduct 15,000 health screening to include blood pressure checks, BMI, and glucose test screening annually, to adults and adolescents throughout the 20 counties. The objective is to collect and track program data regarding the type and delivery method of services provided, as well as the number of individuals receiving services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each network conducts a minimum of 250 screenings per county per month. <p>Provide nutrition, oral health education, and exercise information to combat childhood poverty issues to 12,000 individuals annually. Conduct health marketing and promotion initiatives to produce a total aggregate impact of 1,000,000 marketing encounters annually.</p>				
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Missouri



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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019		
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	Butler County Health Department	Reynolds County Health Center	
	Carter County Health Center	Ripley County Health Department	
	Douglas County Health Department	Shannon County Health Center	
	Howell County Health Department	Texas County Health Department	
	Iron County Health Department	Wayne County Health Center	
	Oregon County Health Department	Wright County Health Department	
	Ozark County Health Department	Whole Health Outreach	
	Parkland HealthMart	Whole Kids Outreach	
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Butler	Wayne	
	Carter	Wright	
	Crawford		
	Douglas		
	Dent		
	Howell		
	Iron		
	Phelps		
	Oregon		
	Ozark		
	Reynolds		
	Ripley		
	Shannon		
	Texas		
Target population(s) served	Infants	African Americans	
	Pre-school children	Caucasians	
	School aged children - elementary	Latinos	
	School aged children - teens	Native Americans	
	Adults	Patient Prescription Assistance	
	Elderly	Underinsured	
	Pregnant Women	Uninsured	
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Access to Care: Primary	Coordination of Care Services	
	Access to Care: Specialty	Enrollment in Public/Private Health Care Coverage	
	Aging	Health Education and Promotion	
	Behavioral/Mental Health	Maternal/Women's Health	
	Chronic Disease Care Management	Oral Health	
	Children's Health	Pharmacy Assistance	



	Cardiovascular Disease	Physical Fitness and Nutrition
	Diabetes	Teen Pregnancy Prevention
	Community Health Workers	
Project Purpose	<p>Established in 1980, Big Springs Medical Association, Inc., doing business as Missouri Highlands Health Care (MHHC), is a non-profit health care provider and Section 330 grantee providing access to affordable health care services for southern Missouri residents. MHHC has provided access to affordable health care services for over 40 years, embracing partnership opportunities to improve population health. As part of the Delta States Rural Development Network Grant program, MHHC is implementing a collaborative multi-county project comprised of MHHC, two faith-based organizations, and 14 area health departments/centers. Together, these health care providers focus on improving diabetes, cardiovascular disease, obesity, acute ischemic stroke and mental health outcomes for the target population, leading to the following outcomes:</p> <p>Diabetes: Through prevention programs, reduce the disease and economic burden of diabetes, and improve the quality of life for all persons who have or are at risk for diabetes.</p> <p>Heart Disease and Stroke: Improve cardiovascular health and quality of life through the prevention, detection, and treatment of risk factors, early identification and treatment of heart attacks and strokes, and prevention of recurrent cardiovascular events.</p> <p>Obesity: Utilize evidence-based outreach and prevention programs to decrease the percentage of children and teens who are obese.</p> <p>Mental Health: Provide integrated primary care and behavioral health services to screen for and identify mental health issues, as well as treat with immediate intervention and/or long-term therapy.</p> <p>MHHC works with Missouri Service Region A, which includes the following Missouri counties: Carter, Crawford (except in Sullivan City), Dent, Douglas, Howell, Iron, Oregon, Ozark, Phelps, Reynolds, Ripley, Shannon, Texas, Wright, Butler, and Wayne. These counties are located in southern Missouri, a section of state reporting the worst health outcomes, due to the vast health disparities facing area residents.</p>	
Project Goals	<p>Critically important to improving health outcomes in the area is a coordinated approach by network partners to prevent chronic diseases and minimize the negative effects of those diagnosed with chronic diseases. Throughout the region, residents face tremendous health disparities, compounded by a severe lack of health care providers, which impede access to health care. In fact, three counties in the region, Shannon, Reynolds and Carter, do not have a hospital.</p> <p>Network members are implementing the following multi-faceted project to address health concerns in the 16 county region:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Deploy Community Health Workers (CHW) throughout the 16 counties, providing services onsite at county health departments, community health center clinic locations, and two faith-based community organizations. 2) Utilize a web-based database of health literacy information to incorporate best practices in patient education and service delivery. 3) Extend clinic hours at MHHC clinic locations, providing a critical access point for 	

	health care services in communities with significant access barriers.				
	4) Incorporate integrated behavioral health programs into all MHC medical clinic locations, including screening patients using behavioral health vitals, providing brief, behavioral health intervention or traditional behavioral health therapy if needed.				
Project Expected Outcomes	As a result of a successful project, network partners decrease the number of unnecessary emergency room visits and hospital admissions, from mismanaged chronic diseases. Evidence-based strategies are used to educate residents regarding healthy lifestyle choices and prevention of chronic diseases, as well as improve health literacy and care plan management of those diagnosed with chronic diseases.				
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Project Period	August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2019		
Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	Missouri Arthritis and Osteoporosis Program	Bootheel Counseling Services	
	Regional Healthcare Foundation	Stoddard County Health Center	
	New Madrid County Health Dept.	Scott County Health Department	
	Pemiscot County Health Center	Dunklin County Health Department	
	Cape Girardeau County Health Department	Perry County Health Department	
	Bollinger County Health Department	Madison County Health Department	
	Washington County Health Department	Ste. Genevieve County Health Department	
	St. Francois County Health Department	Southeast Missouri Health Network	
	Southeast Missouri Food Bank		
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Mississippi		
	New Madrid		
	Pemiscot		
	St. Francois		
	Washington		
	Cape Girardeau		
	Madison		
	Scott		
	Dunklin		
	Stoddard		
	Ste. Genevieve		
	Perry		
	Bollinger		
Target population(s) served	Adults	Latinos	
	Elderly	Underinsured	
	African Americans	Uninsured	
	Caucasians		
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Behavioral/Mental Health	Chronic Disease: Diabetes	
	Chronic Disease Care Management	Enrollment in Public/Private Health Care Coverage	
	Chronic Disease: Cardiovascular Disease	Pharmacy Assistance	

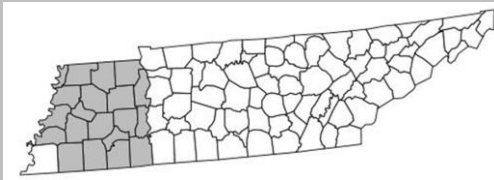


Project Purpose	Mississippi County Health Department and the rural health network is jointly addressing delivery of services for individuals with, or at risk of developing, chronic diseases, which disproportionately affect rural communities in Missouri Service Region B. Dunklin, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, and Scott Counties have historically had the highest unmet needs and most hard to reach communities in the rural service area. These five counties are specifically targeted. The network has adopted new principles to guide care processes, and increased the number of community-based organizations working together to provide population-based primary prevention services. The initiative is utilizing the patient center medical home and health home models to improve coordination and access to services for individuals with chronic disease that are at risk of depression. Other strategies build increased access to the evidence-based Chronic Disease Self-Management (CDSM) Program and establishes the evidence-based Diabetes Self-Management Education (DSME) Program.			
Project Goals	<p>The MPower Program has set the following goals:</p> <p>Goal 1: To improve health and wellness through delivery of evidence-based chronic disease self-management programs targeting individuals with or at risk of diabetes, heart disease, stroke, or obesity</p> <p>Goal 2: To improve health and wellness through delivery of team-based care for individuals with diabetes in rural counties with the highest unmet needs.</p> <p>Goal 3: To improve cardiovascular health and quality of life through prevention, detection, and treatment of risk factors for heart attack and stroke in rural counties, with the highest unmet needs and harder to reach communities that are underserved.</p> <p>Goal 4: Promote health and reduce chronic disease risk through the achievement and maintenance of healthy body weights in rural counties with the highest unmet needs and harder-to-reach communities that are underserved.</p> <p>Goal 5: To ensure persons with, or at risk, chronic disease are able to obtain necessary prescription medicines</p> <p>Goal 6: Promote health and reduce chronic disease risk in rural counties with the highest unmet needs and harder to reach communities, through the consumption of healthful diets.</p>			
Project Expected Outcomes	The MPower Program will result in improved health outcomes and quality of life among patients with chronic disease, through a coordinated and efficient system of service delivery throughout the 13 counties of Region B.			
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Tennessee



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Grantee organization's Consortium/Network partners	Le Bonheur Community Health and Well-Being		
	University of Tennessee Agriculture Extension Svc		
	Hardeman County Community Health Center		
The communities/counties served through the grant-funded Delta Program	Benton	Lauderdale	
	Carroll	Madison	
	Chester	McNairy	
	Crockett	Obion	
	Decatur	Tipton	
	Dyer	Weakley	
	Fayette		
	Gibson		
	Hardeman		
	Hardin		
	Haywood		
	Henderson		
	Henry		
	Lake		
	Target population(s) served	Adults	School aged children - elementary
Elderly		School aged children - teens	
African Americans		Underinsured	
Caucasians		Uninsured	
Latinos			
Focus areas of Delta States grant program	Access to Care: Primary	Chronic Disease: Diabetes	
	Access to Care: Specialty	Coordination of Care Services	
	Behavioral/Mental Health	Enrollment in Public/Private Health Care Coverage	
	Chronic Disease Care Management	Health Education and Promotion	
	Children's Health	Pharmacy Assistance	
	Cancer	Physical Fitness and Nutrition	
	Cardiovascular Disease		



Project Purpose	The purpose of the project is to effectively engage and utilize community partnerships and resources to provide obesity and other chronic disease prevention and self-management programs for pediatric and adult populations through West Tennessee.			
Project Goals	<p>The goals of the project are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue and expand region-wide obesity prevention services that include pediatric, adult and family-focused health education on obesity prevention across multiple settings 2. Provide resources to support and expand health screening, clinical case management, nutritional counseling, pharmacy assistance and other health services that are related to obesity and chronic disease prevention and treatment 3. Establish patient- and family-centered care coordination programs to address interrelated medical, social, developmental, behavioral, emotional and financial needs 4. Continue to build new partnerships to better serve residents throughout West Tennessee across program sectors 5. Continue and expand program monitoring, using data to evaluate and sustain programs. 			
Project Expected Outcomes	<p>The expected outcomes of the programs and activities are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Empowerment of families to address and overcome barriers to care, thereby optimizing health outcomes 2. Increased public/patient awareness of the serious nature of obesity in causing chronic diseases, such as hypertension, heart disease, and diabetes 3. Increased public understanding of the causes of and ways to prevent obesity 4. Increased availability and participation in programs that fight obesity 5. Improved access to clinical interventions for children and adults identified with obesity and/or related diabetes or cardiovascular diseases 6. Improved access to care and screenings through the use of chronic disease self-management programs, chronic disease self-management classes, and care navigation programs 7. Reduced hospital readmissions and unnecessary ER visits for complications of obesity-related, chronic health conditions 8. Improved access to mental health services and resources, specifically for the pediatric population, for children screened during well-child examinations, through the implementation of a behavioral health care navigation program 			
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