The Division of Family Health administers state and federal programs designed to improve the health of North Dakota families. The division provides funding, technical assistance, training, needs assessment, educational materials and other resources to local public health units, schools and other public and private entities that offer health services in North Dakota communities.

Programs and services administered by the division include:

**Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System** – Tracks health conditions and risk behaviors in the United States and North Dakota via the world’s largest, on-going telephone health survey system, yearly since 1984.

**Coordinated School Health (CSH) Program** – Provides consultation and technical assistance for schools and school nurses to use in organizing and managing school health and wellness initiatives. Provides support and coordination for the annual CSH Roughrider Health Promotion Conference.

**Cribs for Kids Program** – Provides infant safe-sleep education and portable cribs to pregnant women enrolled in the Optimal Pregnancy Outcome Program (OPOP).

**Donated Dental Services** – Provides grant oversight to services that provide essential dental care for disabled, elderly and medically compromised individuals who cannot afford care.

**Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) Program** – Supports collaborations and partnerships that support families and communities in their development of children who are healthy and ready to learn at school entry.

**Family Planning Program** – Provides reproductive health-care services to men and women, giving preference to low-income, adolescent and women-in-need populations. Services include Pap smear, breast exam, testicular exam, infertility level-one services, pregnancy planning, a broad range of birth control methods including abstinence, and STD and HIV testing and counseling.

**Fetal Alcohol Syndrome** – Provides grant oversight to the University of North Dakota’s Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Center for program activities.
MCH/Oral Health Epidemiology – Provides epidemiological support on all matters concerning the development, evaluation and prioritization of MCH and Oral Health Programs.

Newborn Screening Program – Identifies infants at risk and in need of more definitive testing to diagnose and treat affected newborns. Serves as the North Dakota/Iowa regional follow-up coordinator focusing on quality assurance and education.

Optimal Pregnancy Outcome Program (OPOP) – Provides nursing, social and nutritional services to pregnant women.

Oral Health Program – Provides prevention programs, education, access, screening and consultation to address the oral health needs of North Dakotans.

Ronald McDonald Care Mobile – Provides grant oversight to plan a mobile dental care service to provide dental treatment, prevention and education services to low-income and underserved children in the state with limited or unavailable dental services.

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Program – Provides support, education and follow-up to those affected by a sudden infant death.

Title V Maternal and Child Health – Provides consultation, technical assistance and comprehensive services to improve the health, safety and well-being of mothers and children.

Women’s Health Services – Collaborates with programs, public and private, that provide and/or advocate for women’s health. Provides national, state and local women’s health information across the state.

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