

# RESEARCH STUDY

## IMPACT WV

**IMPACT WV** supports families with infants born exposed to substances in utero or diagnosed with neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) living in West Virginia. Services can be provided to the child and others in the family to help the child's development.

**IMPACT WV** recognizes that to help children, you must support the **WHOLE** family.

We need your help to develop strategies to expand services that:

- Encourage children's healthy development.
- Help families overcome barriers to reduce health gaps.
- Ensure access to services during pregnancy or after the baby is born.



### Benefits

IMPACT WV patient navigators can help coordinate needed services and resources. Service needs include: housing, utilities, transportation, food, domestic violence services, dental, basic needs, family planning, insurance coverage, treatment, recovery support, family reunification, and NAS follow-up care.

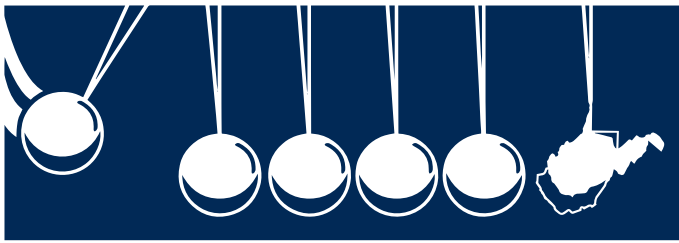
The knowledge gained from this study may eventually benefit others as well.

### Eligibility

Participation in this study is voluntary. Taking part in this study will have no effect on the services that you are receiving by a partner agency.

#### Who is eligible?

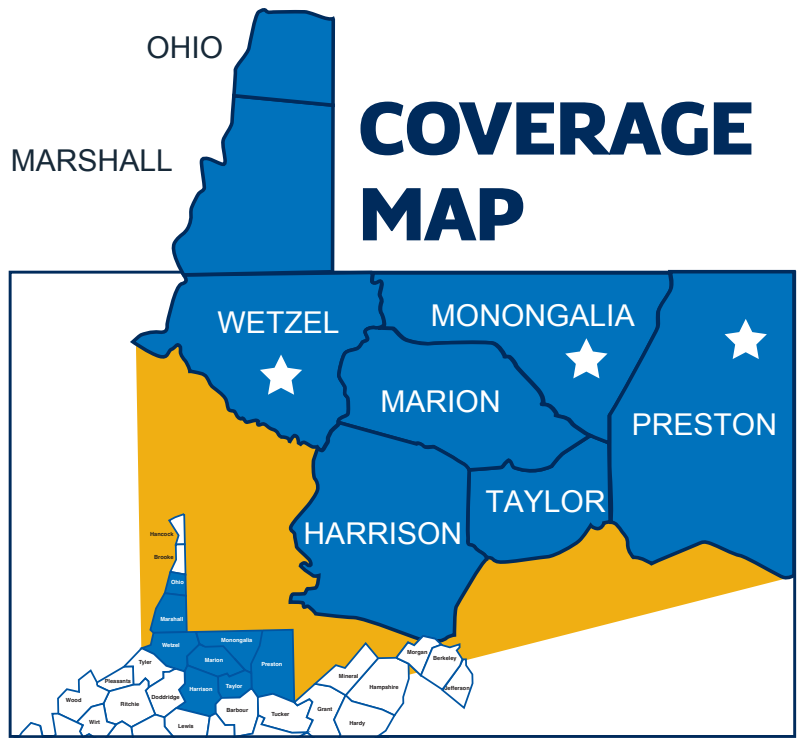
- Women who are using or have used substances during pregnancy and have a child  $\leq 5$  years old
- Fathers involved in the caregiving of infants exposed to substances in utero who are  $\leq 5$  years old
- Foster care and kinship caregivers who are contributing to the care of infants exposed to substances in utero who are  $\leq 5$  years old
- People who meet one of the above requirements and reside in Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Preston, Marion, Harrison, Taylor or Monongalia County



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## IMPACT WV Consortium

The IMPACT WV Consortium, coordinated by the WVU Center for Excellence in Disabilities, will be engaged in service coordination and includes members from child welfare, obstetrics and gynecology, state Medicaid agency, criminal justice and primary care sectors who are committed to the RCORP-NAS project.



The IMPACT WV program is partnering with CASA for Children, Inc., WVU Medicine Children’s, and the Preston Memorial Hospital Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) program to extend their existing services by offering patient navigators and interdisciplinary transition teams to support women and families.

**Questions about the study?**

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**Additional information**

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