## VOLUNTARY HOME VISITATION PROGRAMS (EXCERPT) Act 291 of 2012

\*\*\*\*\* 400.792.new THIS NEW SECTION IS EFFECTIVE 91 DAYS AFTER ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2012 REGULAR SESSION SINE DIE \*\*\*\*\*

## 400.792.new Home visitation programs; purpose; duties.

- Sec. 2. (1) The departments shall only support home visitation programs that include periodic home visits to improve the health, well-being, and self-sufficiency of parents and their children.
- (2) Home visitation programs supported under this act shall provide face-to-face visits by nurses, social workers, and other early childhood and health professionals or trained and supervised lay workers.
  - (3) Home visitation programs supported under this act shall do 1 or more of the following:
  - (a) Work to improve maternal, infant, or child health outcomes including reducing preterm births.
  - (b) Promote positive parenting practices.
  - (c) Build healthy parent and child relationships.
  - (d) Enhance social-emotional development.
  - (e) Support cognitive development of children.
  - (f) Improve the health of the family.
  - (g) Empower families to be self-sufficient.
  - (h) Reduce child maltreatment and injury.
  - (i) Increase school readiness.

History: 2012, Act 291, Eff. (sine die).