HOW YOUR VOICE MATTERS

Census Data's Impact on Funding for Health Programs

WHO CARES ABOUT THE CENSUS?

YOU should!

The federal government uses the data from the U.S. Census to determine how much funding a state will receive for social service programs as well as how much representation your area will have in the government.

If you are not counted in the Census, your community and neighborhood could be negatively impacted!

WHY IS THE CENSUS IMPORTANT?

In 2015, Pennsylvania received more than $26.7 billion from 16 federal programs that base ten years of funding off census data. If your community is undercounted, this funding could decrease.

How would this affect the health programs in the state?

Using Census data, the government provides funding for health programs such as:

- Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid) – financial assistance for eligible children, pregnant women, and elderly persons
- Supplemental Medical Insurance (Medicare Part B) – medical coverage to those who are eligible
- State Children's Health Insurance Program (S-CHIP) – funding for health assistance to uninsured, low-income children
- Foster Care (Title IV-E) – safe and stable out-of-home care for children to be returned home safely or placed with adoptive families
- Child Care and Development Fund – child-care assistance for low-income families so parents and caregivers may attend work or school/training

Do any of these programs affect you, your children, your family, or your community?
Make sure you and your family are counted in the 2020 Census. Participate in the brief survey so that the government can properly fund these important programs.

"2020 Census: Counting Everyone Once, Only Once, and in the Right Place"

THE CENSUS AFFECTS *LOCAL* HEALTH NEEDS

Census data can be used to determine how much aid and funding are required to meet the region's health needs. This data directly impacts your local health programming. Without a proper count of the population, the government does not know where assistance is needed most. *That is why it is important for you to participate!*

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