

### 500+ years of trauma and oppression

**Intergenerational cycles** of poor health, education, and economic inequities



**Home-Based Outreach** 



Family Involvement

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### JOHNS HOPKINS **CENTER FOR AMERICAN INDIAN HEALTH**

# The Family Spirit<sup>®</sup> Program: **Breaking Cycles of Intergenerational Despair**

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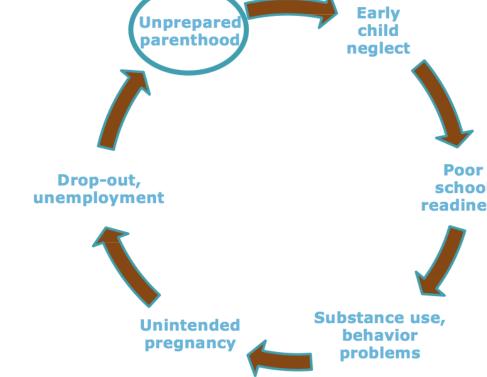


Family Spirit® is an evidence-based, culturally strengths-based home-visiting intervention delivered by Native American Family Health Coaches to promote optimal health and well-being for Native parents and their children from pregnancy through early childhood.

### **Target Population & Problem Addressed**

Young pregnant Native American mothers, children and families living in poverty and historically disenfranchised settings > Focus on promoting behavioral/ mental health and physical well-being > Now scaling to children and families living in poverty nationwide

### How do we break this cycle?



### What is the Family Spirit<sup>®</sup> Intervention?



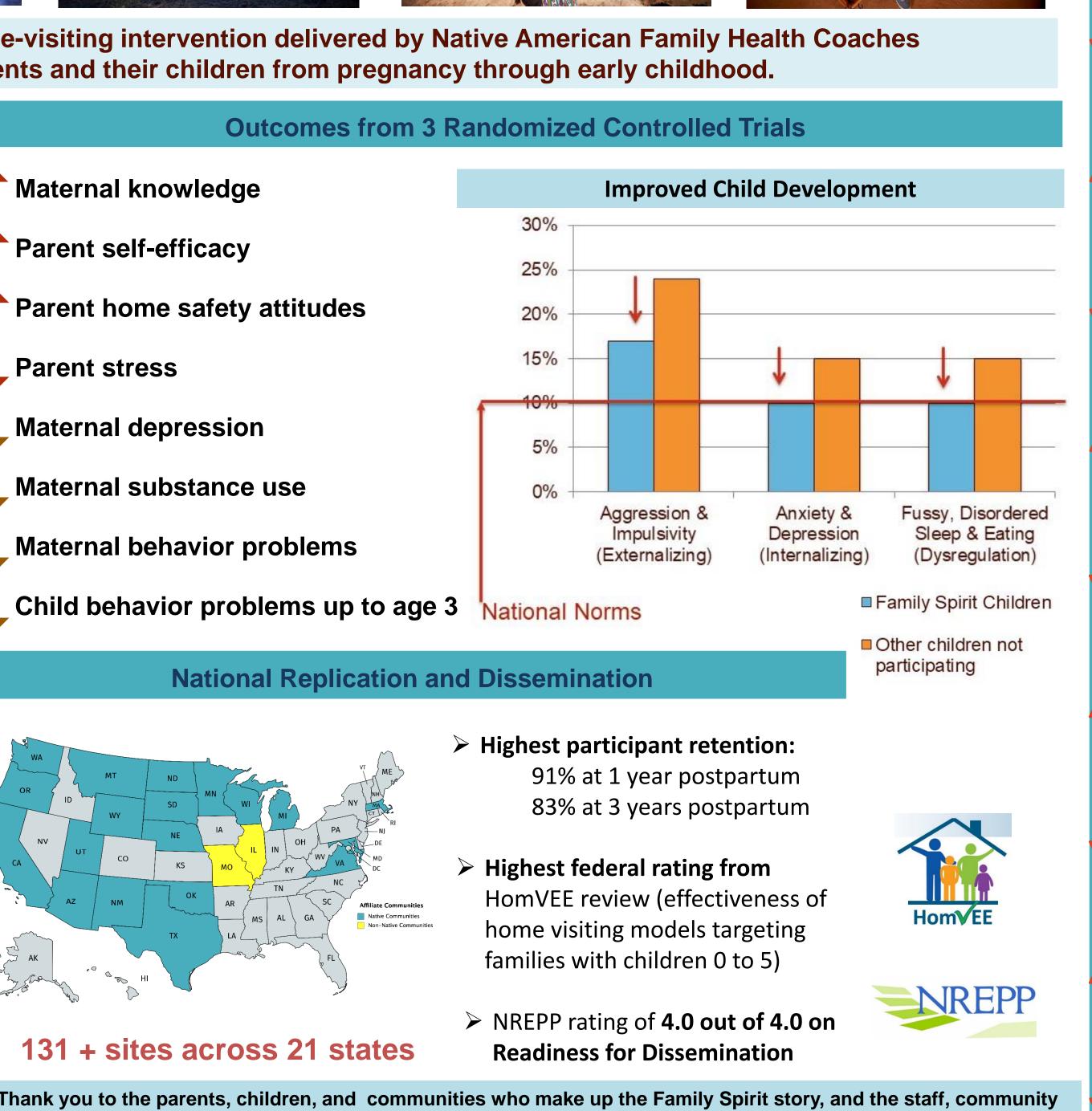
**63** structured lessons by paraprofessional home visitors to parents in need from pregnancy to 36 months postpartum

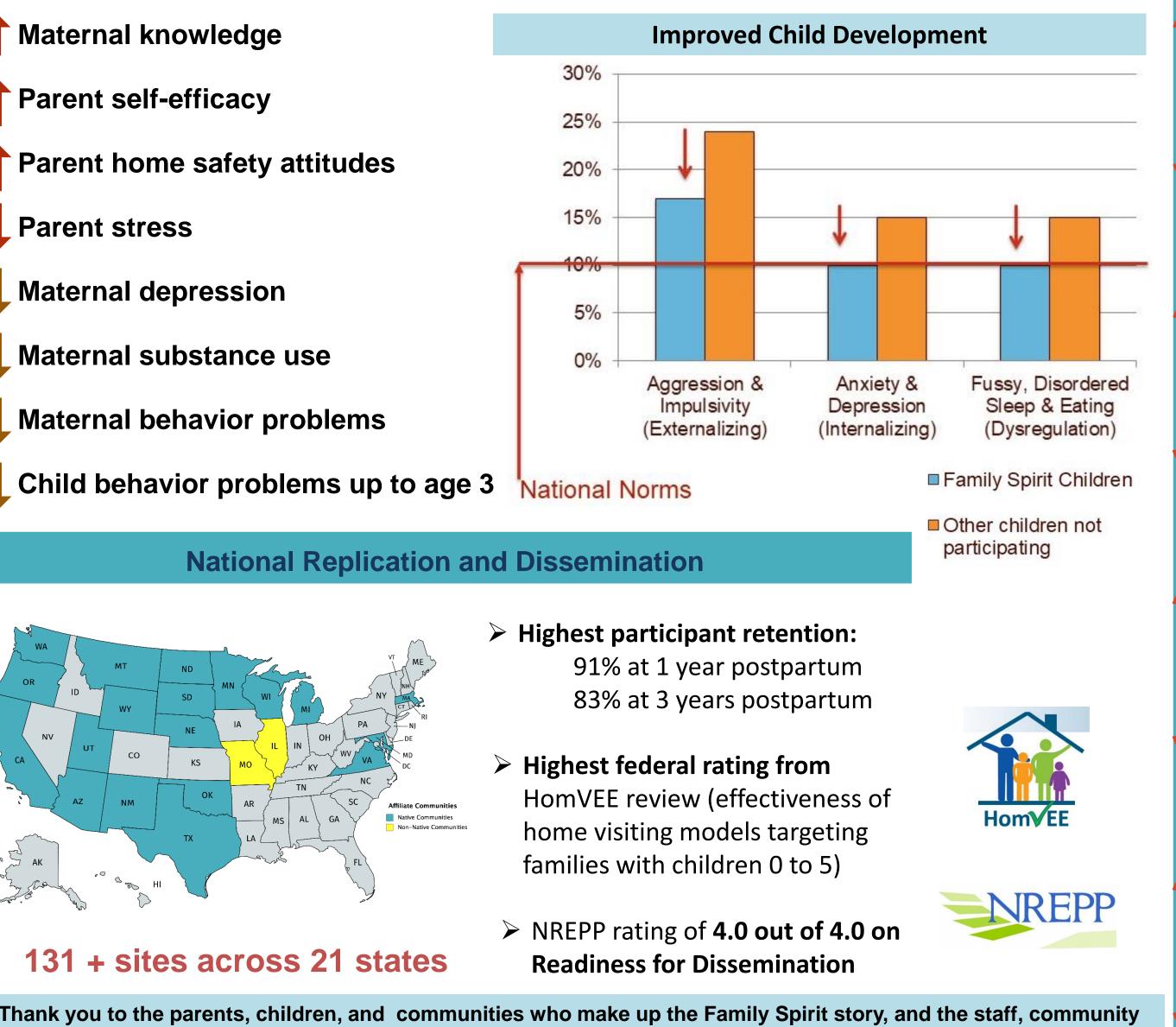


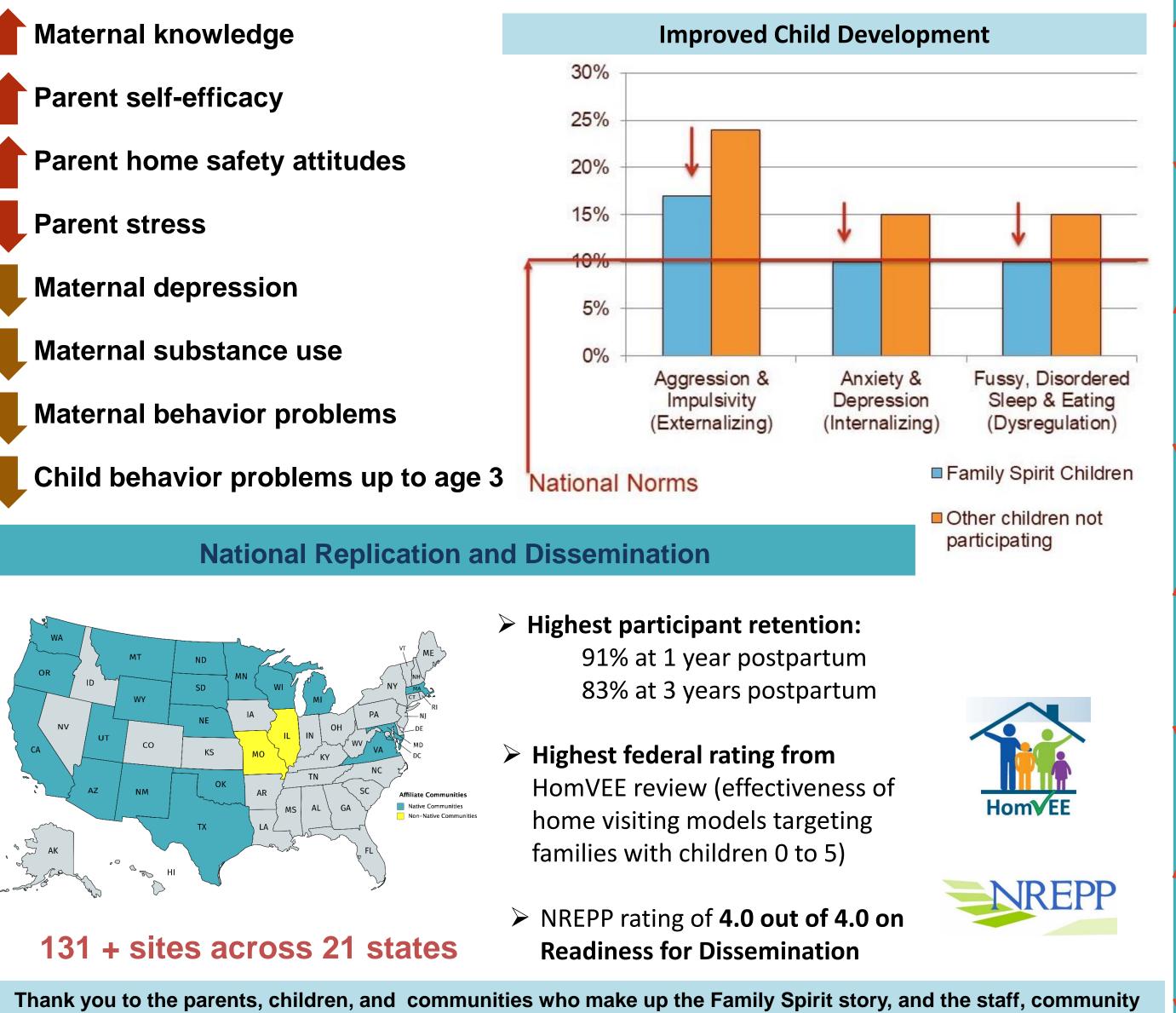
**Referrals and** warm hand-offs to other needed services



Cultural messaging promoting "mindful parenting"







members, tribal leaders and review boards who helped shape the intervention, evaluation, and dissemination.

