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# **Update on Interview of Moms on Medicaid (I,MOM) SB 332 Focus Groups**

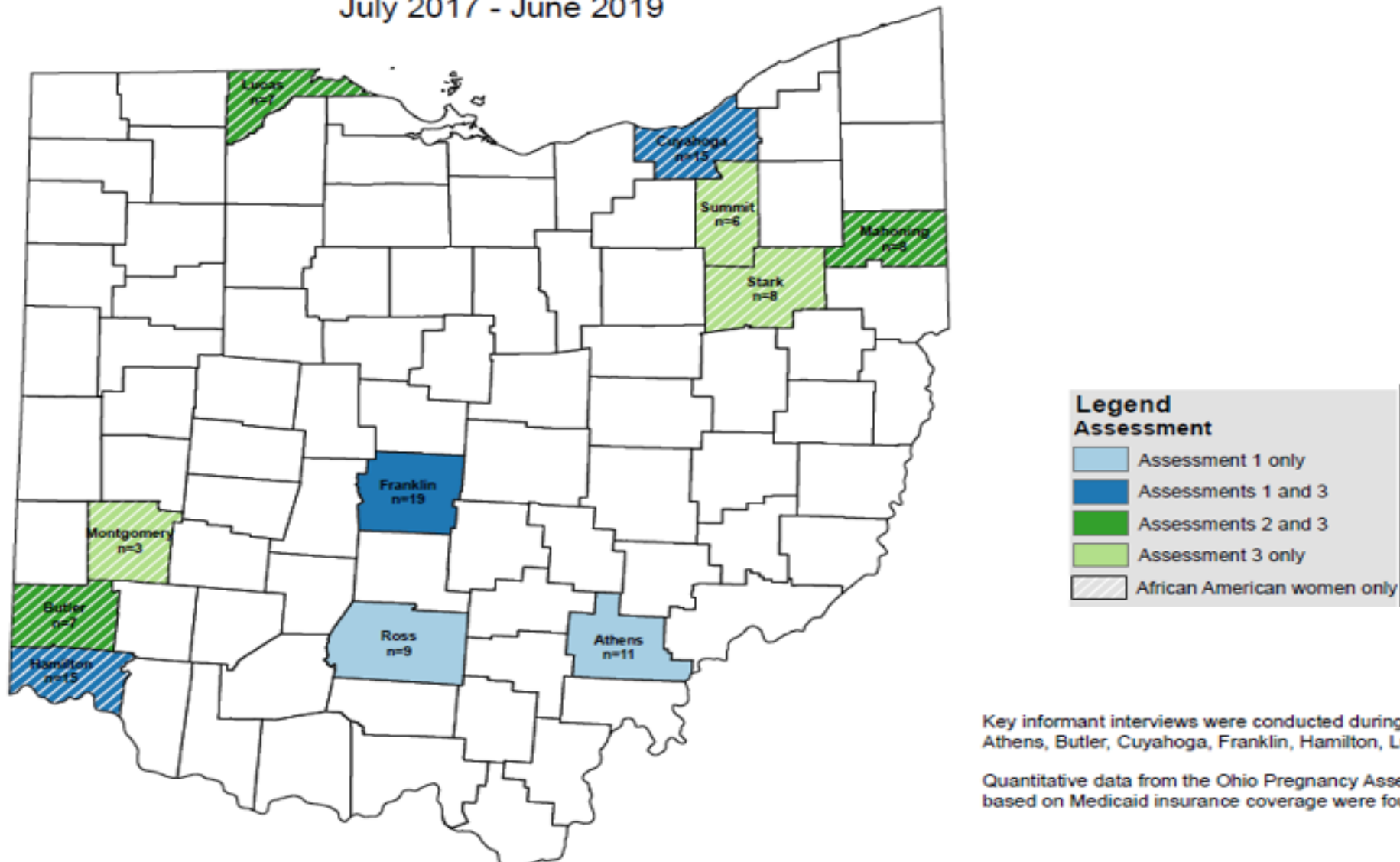
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## Senate Bill 332: Sec. 5162.136 Requirements

- Core Requirements: Medicaid must conduct periodic reviews to determine barriers to gaining full access to interventions intended to:
  - » Prevent prematurity
  - » Reduce tobacco use
  - » Promote optimal birth spacing
- Reporting: Identification of access barriers, policies contributing barriers, barrier mitigation, health metrics performance analysis

# Community Barriers Assessments July 2017 – June 2019

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Key informant interviews were conducted during Assessments 1 and 2 in Athens, Butler, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Hamilton, Lucas, Mahoning, and Ross counties.

Quantitative data from the Ohio Pregnancy Assessment Survey were used where differences based on Medicaid insurance coverage were found for the three intervention areas of interest.

## General Themes of Barriers to Care from Previous Assessment



- Lack of Empathy
- Mistrust or lack of trust in the Healthcare System
- Lack of Effective Communication

## Next Steps: Reporting

- Detailed descriptions of barriers identified by:
  - » Key informants
  - » Focus group participants
- Alignment of SB 332 focus group responses with Ohio Pregnancy Assessment Survey (OPAS) results
- Recommendations for addressing barriers