



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

Key Information about Arkansas as of December 2019

State Policies to Increase Access to and Information About Contraception ⁱ	Does State Have Law or Policy?
Expand Medicaid to childless adults as the ACA allows	Yes
Medicaid Family Planning Waiver or State Plan Amendment (SPA)	No
Medicaid reimbursement for postpartum LARC	No
State law/policies that allow pharmacists to prescribe contraception	No
State law/policies to extend the supply of prescription contraceptives	No
State law/policies to educate college students about unplanned pregnancy	Yes
State laws/policies to protect contraceptive coverage	No
Other state laws/policies/initiatives to increase contraceptive access	-

Funding Streams for Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy Prevention ⁱⁱ	Current Annual Funding Level
Personal Responsibility Education Funding (PREP) ¹	
State PREP (if state opted to receive formula grant)	\$490,086
Competitive PREP grants awarded in the state (if state opted not to receive PREP formula grant)	-
Tribal PREP	-
Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)	-
Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program ^{1, 2}	-
Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF)	-
Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted to receive)	\$713,980
Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted out)	-
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program ³	\$1,917,540
Title X Family Planning Program	\$3,900,000

State Stats ⁱⁱⁱ
171,450 women in need of publicly funded contraception live in contraceptive deserts ^{iv}
68% births are funded by Medicaid, as of 2018

¹ Evidence-based education programs

² This may include multi-state grants and/or grants awarded to an organization in another state that benefit youth in AR.

³ Replaced the Competitive Abstinence Education Program beginning in FY 2016.

FEDERAL TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION GRANTS⁴

Current Grants

State Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)

FY 2019

Arkansas Department of Health

\$490,086

The Arkansas Department of Health is using PREP funds to work with the Centers for Youth and Families through community-based programming. The program supports evidence-based programs for youth in the foster care system in Pulaski, Garland, and Lonoke counties.

Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Grant

FY 2019

Arkansas Department of Health

\$713,980

The Arkansas Department of Health is using their grant to provide both school- and community-based programming for youth ages 12–19 in 11 counties.

Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program

FY 2019 (to be spent through FY 2021)

Prim N Proper, Inc./Choosing to Excel	Conway, AR	\$958,776
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University of Arkansas for Medical Services	Little Rock, AR	\$958,764
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Prior Grants

Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Grant Program

FY 2013

Cabot Crisis Pregnancy Center - Cabot, AR

\$352,125 (to be spent through FY 14)

FY 2012

People Nurturing People/Choosing to Excel - Conway, AR

\$649,340 (to be spent through FY 2013)

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE FUND

Funded 2010 – 2013

Arkansas Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board - Little Rock, AR

Strategies: High schools/Community Service Centers

\$1,122,760

⁴ Federal teen pregnancy prevention grants are listed as annual amounts, unless otherwise noted.

TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN ARKANSAS ^{iv}

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 45,349 women in Arkansas in 2018.⁵
- Services at Title X-supported centers helped women avoid 13,200 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 6,400 births and 4,800 abortions.
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Arkansas saved \$142.5 million in public funds in a single year.
- From FY 2010 to FY 2017, the amount of federal funding Arkansas received for Title X decreased by \$352,775, resulting in 29,642 fewer (39%) patients served.
- In 2017, prior to the new Title X rule, 94 clinics in Arkansas received support from Title X. The local health departments operated all 94 clinics.

For further information

ⁱ For an overview of these state policies, see <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/key-state-policies-glance>

ⁱⁱ For an overview of federal funding for teen pregnancy prevention, see <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/federal-funding-streams-at-a-glance>

ⁱⁱⁱ See more state statistics at <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/national-state-data/arkansas>

^{iv} For our contraceptive deserts map, see <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/access/birth-control-access> and the impact of forcing out safety-net providers from the Title X clinic network in your state <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/health-centers-offering-full-range-methods-excluding-title>

⁵ “Title X-supported centers” are supported by a mix of funding sources (in addition to Title X funding) including Medicaid, funding from state and local governments, private grants and fundraising, reimbursement from commercial insurance, patient fees, and federal grants.

About Power to Decide: Power to Decide, the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy, works to ensure that every young person has the power to decide if, when, and under what circumstances to get pregnant and have a child—increasing their opportunity to pursue the future they want. Join us at PowerToDecide.org.