



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

Key Information about Colorado 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	Yes
State law/policies that allow pharmacists to prescribe contraception	Yes
State law/policies to extend the supply of prescription contraceptives	Yes
State law/policies to educate college students about unplanned pregnancy	No
State laws/policies to protect contraceptive coverage	No
State laws/policies/initiatives to increase access to contraception	Yes [†]

[†] The FY 2016 - 2017 budget for the Department of Health and Environment includes an additional [\\$2.5 million](#) for the family planning program to help sustain the positive impacts of the [Colorado Family Planning Initiative](#).

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)	\$887,226
Competitive PREP grants awarded in the state (if state opted out)	-
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)	\$680,277
Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted out)	-
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program ³	-
Title X Family Planning Program	\$3,800,000 ^{iv}

State Stats ⁱⁱⁱ
304,340 women in need of publicly funded contraception live in contraceptive deserts
Of these women, 10,900 women in need live in counties without access to a single health center that provides the full range of methods ^{iv}
45% births are funded by Medicaid, as of 2017

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 CO.

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

Colorado Department of Human Services

\$887,226

The Colorado Department of Human Services is using PREP funds to implement evidence-based programs in Denver, Garfield, and Huerfano counties using a positive youth development approach. Populations of focus include youth in foster care and runaway/homeless youth.

Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)

FY 2010 – FY 2019

Education Development Center, Inc. - Newton, MA

\$773,359

More than a Dream Teen Pregnancy Prevention for Latino Youth is a collaboration between Education Development Center, the University of Michigan School of Nursing, and the League of United Latin American Citizens' National Educational Service Centers (LNESEC), to find developmentally appropriate and culturally and linguistically relevant youth and parent interventions that address sexual health and pregnancy prevention. The project will evaluate the youth intervention *Cuídate* (Take Care of Yourself), the parent intervention *Salud y éxito* (Health & Success), and a joint youth-parent program, *Más que un sueño* (More Than a Dream). Work will take place at 4 LNESEC sites: Albuquerque, NM, **Colorado Springs, CO**, El Paso, TX, and Kansas City, MO, with the goal of reducing sexual and other risk behaviors. Participants will be Latino adolescents ages 12-14, and their parents.

Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Grant

FY 2019

Colorado Department of Education

\$680,277

The Colorado Department of Education is using their grant to deliver abstinence-only programming through four public and private entities with high numbers of teen pregnancies.

Prior Grants

Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program

FY 2016 – FY 2018

Friends First, Inc. - Greenwood Village, CO

\$524,533

Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1

FY 2015 – FY 2019

Colorado Youth Matter

Denver, CO

\$749,900

Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 2

FY 2010 – FY 2014

Denver Health and Hospital Authority

Denver, CO

\$808,785

University of Colorado, Denver

Aurora, CO

\$924,543

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

Competitive Abstinence Education Grant Program FY 2013

The Center for Relationship Education - Denver, CO
\$491,193 (to be spent through FY 2014)

Friends First, Inc. - Littleton, CO
\$474,109 (to be spent through FY 2014)

TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN COLORADO^{iv}

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 47,177 women in Colorado in 2018.⁵
- Services at Title X-supported centers helped women avoid 11,500 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 5,600 births and 4,100 abortions.
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Colorado saved \$59.2 million in public funds in a single year.
- From FY 2010 to FY 2017, the amount of federal funding Colorado received for Title X decreased by \$91,808, resulting in 14,957 fewer (22%) patients served.
- In 2017, prior to the new Title X rule, 73 clinics in Colorado received support from Title X. They included local health department clinics (39), federally qualified health centers (27), hospitals (4), family planning health centers (2), and other service sites (1).
- In August 2019, the new Title X rule went into effect, forcing some of Colorado’s Title X clinics to exit the program.

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/colorado>

^{iv} See our contraceptive deserts map <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.*