



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

## Key Information about Maryland as of December 2019

<b>State Policies to Increase Access to and Information About Contraception<sup>i</sup></b>	<b>Does State Have Law or Policy?</b>
Expand Medicaid to childless adults as the ACA allows	Yes
Medicaid Family Planning Waiver or State Plan Amendment (SPA)	Yes
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	Yes
Other state laws/policies/initiatives to increase contraceptive access	Yes

<b>Funding Streams for Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy Prevention<sup>ii</sup></b>	<b>Current Annual Funding Level</b>
Personal Responsibility Education Funding (PREP) <sup>1</sup>	
State PREP (if state opted to receive formula grant)	\$938,985
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 <sup>1, 2</sup>	\$3,717,072
Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF)	\$970,000
Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted to receive)	\$729,768
Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted out)	-
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program <sup>3</sup>	-
Title X Family Planning Program	4,000,000 <sup>iv</sup>

<b>State Stats<sup>iii</sup></b>
289,940 women in need of publicly funded contraception live in contraceptive deserts
Of these women, 10,060 live in counties without a single health center that provides the full range of birth control methods <sup>iv</sup>
44% births are funded by Medicaid, as of 2014

<sup>1</sup> Evidence-based education programs

<sup>2</sup> This may include multi-state grants and/or grants awarded to an organization in another state that benefit youth in MD

<sup>3</sup> Replaced the Competitive Abstinence Education Program beginning in FY 2016

## **FEDERAL TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION GRANTS<sup>4</sup>**

### ***Current Grants***

#### **State Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)**

**FY 2019**

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

\$938,985

Maryland's PREP state grant program is managed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The department funds local health departments to provide evidence-based programming in both school and community-based settings for at-risk youth.

#### **Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Grant**

**FY 2019**

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

\$729,768

Through sub-grants to local health departments, Maryland is funding school- and community-based programming that targets youth living in communities with higher rates of adolescent pregnancy.

#### **Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPPP) — Tier 1 (Phase 1)**

**FY 2019 – FY 2020**

Johns Hopkins University – Baltimore, MD

\$365,000

Johns Hopkins University (JHU) will implement the Respecting the Circle of Life: Mind, Body and Spirit (RCL) curriculum, a proven, theory-based intervention created for Native youth that uses skill-building activities, role-playing, and education to bring about behavior change. RCL will be delivered within the Navajo Nation reservation in an innovative format: during a summer basketball camp to small groups of self-selected peers. An additional youth-parent component will teach family-based communication around sexual decision-making and is an opportunity to impart family values around sexual/reproductive health and improve parent-child communication. JHU will replicate and evaluate the efficacy of RCL with approximately 410 Native American youth and 410 Native American parents or trusted adults.

#### **Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPPP) — Tier 1**

**FY 2015 – FY 2019**

Baltimore City Health Department - Baltimore, MD

Program models: *Making Proud Choices; Seventeen Days; It's Your Game: Keep it Real*

\$1,749,000

Baltimore City's U Choose Coalition, led by the Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD), intends to decrease the overall teen birth rate by 30% by reducing disparities among African-American and Hispanic teens. In addition, BCHD plans to ensure the sustainable delivery of evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention (TPP) programs in Baltimore City. Through this project, BCHD--in partnership with the Baltimore City Schools and a network of seven Title X clinics--plans to reach 10,000 adolescents age 12-19 annually with evidence-based TPP programs implemented in middle schools, high schools, and Title X clinics in Baltimore City.

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

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPPP) — Tier 2  
FY 2015 – FY 2019**

Healthy Teen Network, Inc. - Baltimore, MD  
\$723,000

Healthy Teen Network (HTN) is evaluating the impact of Pulse, an informative youth-engaging mobile application grounded in the Theory of Planned behavior and self-efficacy to promote sexual and reproductive health and reduce pregnancies. Pulse is available in English and Spanish and will reach 2,000 girls in the test phase. During the impact evaluation of Pulse, study participants will gain access to Pulse for nine months during which changes will be assessed in 1) use of effective birth control; and 2) clinic utilization for sexual and reproductive health services. During the usability evaluation, users' navigation and utilization of Pulse will be tested, with documentation of fidelity, exposure, and content specific dosage.

Johns Hopkins University - Baltimore, MD  
\$880,072

Johns Hopkins University (JHU) will scientifically evaluate the effectiveness of the Respecting the Circle of Life: Mind, Body and Spirit (RCL) program in reducing behaviors resulting in STIs and pregnancy among American Indian adolescents in Arizona. RCL is a theory-based sexual risk reduction intervention tailored for American Indian teens. The RCL curriculum covers: 1) The reproductive system, pregnancy, and contraception; 2) Sexually transmitted infection and prevention; 3) Condom use and demonstration; 4) Partner negotiation skills around sex and substance use; 5) Problem-solving and sexual health decision-making skills; and 6) Values clarification, goal-setting, and family planning skills.

***Prior Grants***

**Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)  
FY 2010 – FY 2015**

Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy (OICA) - Oklahoma City, OK

Project Name: *POWER Through Choices 2010*: Demonstration, Evaluation and Dissemination Project  
\$929,750

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPPP) — Tier 1  
FY 2010 – FY 2014**

Women Accepting Responsibility, Inc. - Baltimore, MD \$890,798  
YMCA of Cumberland, Maryland - Allegany, MD \$451,340

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPPP) — Tier 2  
FY 2010 – FY 2014**

George Washington University - Washington, DC \$1,000,000

## **PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE FUND**

**FY 2018 – FY 2020**

Maryland Department of Health – Baltimore, MD

Settings: High Schools, Community Service Centers

\$970,000

## **TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN MARYLAND<sup>iv</sup>**

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 62,896 women in Maryland in 2018.<sup>5</sup>
- Services at Title X-supported centers helped women avoid 15,000 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 7,300 births and 5,400 abortions.
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Maryland saved \$147.8 million in public funds in a single year.
- From FY 2010 to FY 2017, the amount of federal funding Maryland received for Title X decreased by \$708,708, resulting in 5,409 fewer (7%) patients served.
- In 2017, prior to the new Title X rule, 75 clinics in Maryland received support from Title X. They included health department clinics (34), federally qualified health centers (16), school-based health centers (14), Planned Parenthood clinics (9), and university-based health centers (2).
- In August 2019, the new Title X rule went into effect, forcing one of Maryland’s Title X grantees to exit the program. As a result, the state has lost 80% of its Title X funds.

### **For Further Information**

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

<sup>ii</sup> 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>

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

<sup>iv</sup> 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>

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<sup>5</sup> “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](https://PowerToDecide.org).*