



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

Key Information about Connecticut
as of November 2021

State Policies to Increase Access to and Information About Contraceptionⁱ	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)	Yes
Medicaid reimbursement for postpartum LARC	Yes
State law/policies that allow pharmacists to prescribe contraception	No
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 access to contraception	-

Funding Streams for Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy Preventionⁱⁱ	Current Annual Funding Level
Personal Responsibility Education Funding (PREP) ¹	
State PREP (if state opted to receive formula grant)	\$559,911
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)	-
	<i>PAF funding needs to be reauthorized</i>
Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted to receive)	-
Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted out)	\$449,989
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program ³	-
Title X Family Planning Program	\$2,400,000 (but losing 88% of funds) ^{iv}

State Statsⁱⁱⁱ
180,000 women in need of publicly funded contraception live in contraceptive deserts
6,460 women in need live in counties without access to a single health center that provides the full range of methods ^{iv}
37% 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 CT.

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 2021

State of Connecticut Department of Public Health \$559,911
The Connecticut PREP program uses four evidence-based curricula — Be Proud! Be Responsible!, Reducing the Risk, Computer Assisted Motivational Interviewing, and Love Notes and incorporates adulthood preparation subjects on adolescent development, healthy life skills, and healthy relationships. Connecticut PREP has an annual goal to serve 250 at-risk youth ages 13 to 19 in targeted areas throughout the state. The program is implemented in community-based settings to serve youth in the child welfare and justice systems, pregnant or parenting youth, and runaway and homeless youth.

Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (SRAE)

FY 2021 – FY 2023

Abundant Life of the Assemblies of God Colchester, CT \$449,989

Prior Grants

Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1

FY 2015 – FY 2019

City of Hartford Hartford, CT \$999,999
Program models: *Be Proud! Be Responsible!*; *Get Real*; *Love Notes, Making a Difference*
The Hartford Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (HTPPI), a partnership of several organizations, including the City of Hartford Health and Human Services as the lead agency, intends to reduce rates of teen pregnancy, STIs, and HIV in the City of Hartford by 10% by 2020. HTPPI uses four primary strategies to achieve this goal: 1) Developing a sustainable, citywide community collaborative to focus on teen pregnancy prevention; 2) Increasing youth access to health services; 3) Increasing capacity of community-based organizations to provide sexual health information to teens; and 4) Providing technical assistance and support to ensure the utilization of best practice strategies and curricula.

Competitive Abstinence Education Grant Program

FY 2013 (to be spent through FY 2014)

GBAPP, Inc. Bridgeport, CT \$421,516

Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)

FY 2010 – FY 2015

The Village for Families & Children, Inc. Hartford, CT \$832,467

Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1

FY 2010 – FY 2014

New England Network for Child, Youth & Family Services, Inc. Charlotte, Vermont \$600,000

Served 14 communities across Connecticut

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

Congregación León de Judá Boston, MA \$599,889
Served 30 community-based sites in Boston and Lawrence, MA; Providence, RI; and Hartford, CT.

CDC Grant

FY 2010 – FY 2014

The City of Hartford, Department of Health and Human Services \$900,000

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE FUND

FY 2018 – FY 2020

Connecticut Office of Early Childhood - Hartford, CT \$970,000

Funded 2010 – 2013 and 2013 – 2016

Connecticut State Department of Education - Hartford, CT \$1,500,000
Program Categories: High schools and Community Service Centers

TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN CONNECTICUT ^{iv}

- Title X-supported centers provided contraceptive care to 27,552 women in Connecticut in 2019.⁵
- Services at Title X-supported clinics helped women avoid 8,600 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 4,200 births and 3,100 abortions.
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Connecticut saved \$81 million in public funds in a single year.
- From FY 2010 to FY 2017, the amount of federal funding Connecticut received for Title X decreased by \$102,167 resulting in 1,709 fewer (4%) patients served.
- In 2017, prior to the new Title X rule, 26 clinics in Connecticut received support from Title X. They included Planned Parenthood clinics (12), school-based health centers (12), and federally qualified health centers (2).
- In August 2019, the new Title X rule went into effect, forcing one of Connecticut's Title X grantees to exit the program. As a result, the state has lost 88% of its Title X funds and only six clinics, federally qualified health centers, received support from Title X.

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.

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/connecticut>
- ^{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>

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.*