



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

Key Information about Kentucky
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)	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	No
State laws/policies to protect contraceptive coverage	No
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)	\$704,200
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}	\$2,183,259
Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF) <i>PAF funding needs to be reauthorized.</i>	Expired 6/30/2020
Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted to receive)	\$1,147,277
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program ³	-
Title X Family Planning Program	\$5,000,000

State Statsⁱⁱⁱ
267,600 women in need of publicly funded contraception live in contraceptive deserts Of these, 118,670 live in counties without a single health center that provides the full range of birth control methods ^{iv}
48% 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 KY.

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

KY Cabinet for Health and Families

\$704,200

Kentucky's PREP program serves youth, ages 12 to 18, in foster care, in the juvenile justice system and youth residing in rural areas in Allen County, Barren, Hart, Logan, Simpson, Warren, Boyd, Campbell, Kenton, Clark, Estill, Garrard, Bath, Menifee, Graves, Daviess, Henderson, Ohio, Hancock, Jessamine, Knott, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Owsley, Perry, Wolfe, Knox, Casey, Clinton, Cumberland, McCreary, Pulaski, Russell, Taylor, Wayne, Lawrence, Lincoln, Hardin, Marion, Larue, Nelson, Magoffin, Marshall, Montgomery, Fulton, Ballard, and Whitley counties. The program is implementing *Reducing the Risk* and *Teen Outreach Program* in local health departments, schools and community-based organizations. Kentucky PREP plans to serve 6,000 youth annually and educate its youth in the adulthood preparation subjects consisting of adolescent development, educational and career success, parent-child communication, healthy life skills, financial literacy, and healthy relationships.

Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Grant

FY 2021

KY Cabinet for Health and Families

\$1,147,277

The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services serves 30,000 youth ages 10–16 in 6th–9th grades. Thirty-four sub-recipients covering 86 counties will implement one of four evidence-based curricula along with the *Youth Thrive* framework. Sixty-two of these counties are predominantly rural, poor, and underserved. *Choosing the Best*, *Positive Potential*, and *Wise Guys* are implemented in school-based settings. Sub-recipients also provide teen leader programs, parent, and community education programs.

Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program – Tier 1

FY 2021 - FY 2023

Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, Inc.

Prestonsburg, KY

\$1,500,000

The grantee will implement the Big Sandy Optimal Health Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program, an effort to improve the optimal health of youth and to reduce teen pregnancy and STIs with a comprehensive array of program-specific and community-based services to change individual attitudes, efficacy, and behaviors and improve community-level knowledge and attitudes. The program will provide direct TPP services including mental health and substance abuse counseling, peer mentoring, case management, family strengthening, and building social/emotional capital; providing evidence-based TPP education (*Reducing the Risk*); delivering TPP education training opportunities for education partners; and overseeing a TPP advisory council of community partners, youth participants, and their families. This program will serve any eligible youth within the Big Sandy region of eastern Kentucky and will specifically target youth ages 10-19 involved in the child welfare system and youth with behavioral health issues. The project will reach 1,800 youth over the grant period.

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

YMCA of Greater Louisville	Louisville, KY	\$683,259
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The grantee will replicate The Dibble Institute’s Love Notes 3.0 Evidence-Based Program Model in schools within the west Louisville community to reach 1,750 adolescents annually, tackling teen pregnancy prevention within the context of healthy relationships, healthy actions, and equitable health within the community. The initiative will also develop a supplemental Love Notes Parent Training and Love Notes Peer Educator Training. The project will provide supplemental training to parents and use trained Love Notes Peer Facilitators to deliver the curriculum. The approach targets the longstanding YMCA teen programs and area schools serving the adolescents who are most at risk with proven curriculum, links to multiple community support systems, and purposeful and integrated YMCA access and memberships as part of their prevention and health goals.

Prior Grants

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program – Tier 1
FY 2019 – FY 2021**

Lake Cumberland District Health Department - Somerset, Kentucky	\$493,000
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Program Models: *Reducing the Risk* Teen Outreach Program (TOP)

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program – Tier 1
FY 2015 – FY 2019**

Centerstone of Tennessee, Inc. - Nashville, TN	\$2,000,000
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Program models: *Be Proud! Be Responsible!; Making a Difference!; Sexual Health and Adolescent Risk Prevention (SHARP)*

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

University of Louisville Research Foundation - Louisville, KY	\$963,330
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Program model or strategy: *Reducing the Risk* adaptation and *Love Notes*

**Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program Grant
FY 2017 – FY 2018**

University of Louisville Research Foundation, Inc. - Louisville, KY	\$415,058
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FY 2016 – FY 2018

Lake Cumberland District Health Department - Somerset, KY	\$538,155
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TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN KENTUCKY

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 35,518 women in Kentucky in 2019.⁵
- Services at Title X-supported centers helped women avoid 15,600 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 7,600 births and 5,600 abortions.
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Kentucky saved \$190.3 million in public funds in a single year.
- From FY 2010 to FY 2017, the amount of federal funding Kentucky received for Title X decreased by \$922,692, resulting in 53,367 fewer (51%) patients served.
- In 2019, 126 clinics in Kentucky received support from Title X. They included health department clinics (105), federally qualified health centers (20), hospitals (4), and a family planning health center (1).

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/Kentucky>

^{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.*