



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

Key Information about Arkansas as of January 2019

State Policies to Increase Access to and Information About Contraception*	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
Other state laws/policies/initiatives to increase access to contraception	Yes [†]

[†] [Appropriations](#) for the Department of Health (DoH) allow the transfer of up to \$3.7 million in carry forward funds to be used in FY 2017 at the discretion of the director to carry out two initiatives, one of which is to provide LARCs at the DoH local health units.

Funding Streams for Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy Prevention**	Current Annual Funding Level
Personal Responsibility Education Funding (PREP) ¹	
State PREP (if state opted to receive formula grant)	\$451,596
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)	\$749,406
Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted out)	-
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program ³	-
Title X Family Planning Program	\$4,071,000

State Stats
67% births are funded by Medicaid, as of 2013
See more state stats at https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/national-state-data/arkansas

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

** 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>

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

State Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)

Arkansas Department of Health

\$451,596

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 Abstinence Education Grant

Arkansas Department of Health

\$749,406

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.

Competitive Abstinence 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. State PREP, Tribal PREP, and Title V State Abstinence grant amounts, where applicable, reflect the most recent annual award.

TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN ARKANSAS

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 54,360 women in Arkansas in 2014.⁵ These services helped women avoid 13,200 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 6,400 births and 4,800 abortions.
- In the absence of publicly-funded family planning services, the number of unintended pregnancies and abortions in Arkansas would be 49% higher.⁶
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Arkansas saved \$142.5 million in public funds in 2010.
- 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, 94 clinics in Arkansas received support from Title X. The local health departments operated all 94 clinics.

***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.*

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.

⁶ “Publicly-funded family planning services” refers to all public funding sources that support family planning services, including Medicaid, Title X, and other state and federal resources.