



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

Key Information about Connecticut 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)	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
Other state laws/policies/initiatives to increase access to contraception	Yes [†]

[†] [Sub. HB 5210](#) requires insurance companies to cover contraception without copay.

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)	\$544,655
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}	\$999,999
Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF)	\$970,000
Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted to receive)	-
Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education	-
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program ³	-
Title X Family Planning Program	\$2,479,000

State Stats
47% births are funded by Medicaid, as of 2013
See more state stats at https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/national-state-data/connecticut

* 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 CT.

³ Replaced the Competitive Abstinence Education Program beginning in FY 2016

FEDERAL TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION GRANTS⁴

State Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)

State of Connecticut Department of Public Health

\$544,655

The Connecticut Department of Public Health is using PREP funds to provide evidence-based programs to youth in the child welfare and juvenile justice systems.

Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)

FY 2010 – FY 2015

The Village for Families & Children, Inc. - Hartford, CT

Project name: *Teen Pregnancy Prevention through Responsible Fathering: A Randomized Controlled Trial of the FatherWorks Program*

\$832,467

The Village for Families & Children, Inc. will conduct a randomized controlled trial of *FatherWorks*, a comprehensive intervention designed to reduce repeat fatherhood by providing young men with the motivation, opportunities and skills needed to change risk behavior. The trial will include 330 Latino and African American males, ages 15 to 24, in Hartford or Hartford County who have fathered a child with a female under the age of 21. The *FatherWorks* program includes parenting education, individualized case management, behavioral health care, and educational and vocational support. The evaluation will assess whether participants improved their caregiving behavior, achieved their educational and employment goals, and reduced their sexual risk behavior, among other outcomes.

Competitive Abstinence Education Grant Program

FY 2013

GBAPP, Inc. - Bridgeport, CT

\$421,516 (to be spent through FY 2014)

Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1

FY 2015 – FY 2019

City of Hartford - Hartford, CT

Program models: *Be Proud! Be Responsible!; Get Real; Love Notes, Making a Difference*

\$999,999

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.

⁴ Federal teen pregnancy prevention grants are listed as annual amounts, unless otherwise noted. State PREP, Tribal PREP, and Title V State Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance grant amounts, where applicable, reflect the most recent annual award.

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

New England Network for Child, Youth & Family Services, Inc. - Charlotte, Vermont

Program model: *Teen Outreach Program*TM

\$600,000

The New England Network for Child, Youth & Family Service, Inc will implement the *TOPic (Teen Outreach Program*TM *in Connecticut)* Program in fourteen cities and towns across **Connecticut** with high teen birth rates. *TOPic* will target approximately 2,500 high-risk youth ages 14-19 whose lives have been affected by severe family problems, abuse, or various emotional, developmental and behavioral difficulties, and who receive services through an array of residential, special education, out-of-home foster care and community programs. *TOPic*'s overarching goal is to bring faithful replication of the *Teen Outreach Program*TM into the lives of Connecticut's most vulnerable, at-risk youth at such scale as to bring about measurable reductions in teen pregnancy and the behavioral risks underlying teen pregnancy among this highly at-risk population.

Congregación León de Judá - Boston, MA

Program model: *Making A Difference!*

\$599,889

The grantee will implement the Vale Esperar *Making a Difference!* project in 30 community-based sites in Boston and Lawrence, MA; Providence, RI; and **Hartford, CT**. The project will target 3,100 Latino adolescents, ages 11-13, with an abstinence-approach to HIV, STI, and teen pregnancy prevention. The goals are to reduce sexual activity and teen pregnancy rates among participants.

CDC Grant

FY 2010 – FY 2014

The City of Hartford, Department of Health and Human Services (HHHS)

\$900,000

HHHS will coordinate Hartford's communitywide teen pregnancy prevention initiative. The 5-year project is serving low-income African-American and Hispanic teens aged 13–19 years in Hartford, and engaging a majority of the city's youth-serving organizations, health clinics, HHHS, the City of Hartford Youth Services Office (HOYS), the Hartford Action Plan on Infant Health, the Hartford System of Schools, and other public and private sector leaders and cooperating organizations. This initiative builds on current services being offered to teens in Hartford and the unique experience of the Hartford Action Plan on Infant Health's "Breaking the Cycle"—one of the country's first citywide collaboratives to reduce teen pregnancy. HHHS is working closely with HOYS and the Hartford Action Plan to implement evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs, connect youth to clinic services, educate stakeholders, and promote program sustainability. More than 10 youth-serving organizations, 6 community health clinics, the city's public school system, and private sector supporters are collaborating with HHHS, HOYS, and the Hartford Action plan to meet defined objectives for each project components.

**Pregnancy Assistance Fund
FY 2018**

Connecticut Office of Early Childhood - Hartford, CT

\$970,000

The Connecticut Office of Early Childhood (OCE) in partnership with the Connecticut State Department of Education will support the delivery of comprehensive services to expectant and parenting teens, women, fathers, and their families in up to six Connecticut communities: Bridgeport, Hartford, New Britain, New Haven, Waterbury, and Windham. Using a family-centered, multi-generational approach, OCE will support the educational, health, and social needs of expectant and parenting teens in high schools and community-based organizations

Funded 2010 – 2013 and 2013 – 2016

Connecticut State Department of Education - Hartford, CT

Program Categories: High schools and Community Service Centers

\$1,500,000

TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN CONNECTICUT

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 35,620 women in Connecticut in 2014.⁵ These services helped women avoid 8,600 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 4,200 births and 3,100 abortions.
- In the absence of publicly-funded family planning services, the number of unintended pregnancies and abortions in Connecticut would be 53% higher.⁶
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Connecticut saved \$81 million in public funds in 2010.
- 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, 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).

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.