

State Profile



Nevada

ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH PROMOTION AT A GLANCE

The following is an overview of the state of adolescent sexual health promotion efforts in Nevada in Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 including sexuality education state laws and policy, sexual health data, and federal funding.

STATE LEVEL SEXUALITY EDUCATION LAW AND POLICY OVERVIEW

Nevada mandates that each school district's board of trustees "establish a course or unit of a course of" factual instruction concerning acquired immune deficiency syndrome and instruction on the human reproductive system, related communicable diseases, and sexual responsibility. Such classes cannot be a requirement for graduation. Furthermore, each board of trustees must appoint an advisory committee consisting of five parents with children in the school district and four representatives from medicine, counseling, religion, students, or teaching. The parent or guardian of each student to whom a course is offered must first be furnished written notice that the course will be offered. Upon receipt of the written consent of the parent or guardian, the student may attend the course ("opt-in"). For more information, see <u>Nevada Revised Statutes § 389.065</u>.

REPORTED SEXUAL ACTIVITY OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEVADA

Nevada did not participate in the 2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey.

NEVADA TEEN PREGNANCY, BIRTH & ABORTION RATES

Nevada's teen **pregnancy rate is higher than the national average**, with 84 pregnant teens per 1,000 compared to 68 pregnant teens per 1,000 nationwide in 2008.

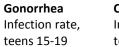
Nevada's teen **birth rate is higher than the national average**, with 36 teens per 1,000 giving birth compared to 31 teens per 1,000 nationwide in 2011.

Nevada's teen **abortion rate is higher than the national average**, with 23 teens per 1,000 having an abortion compared to 18 teens per 1,000 nationwide in 2008.

NEVADA'S YOUNG PEOPLE: HIV/AIDS & OTHER STD RATES IN 2011 (PER 100,000)



HIV infection Rate of diagnosis, teens 13-19 AIDS Rate of diagnosis, teens 13-19



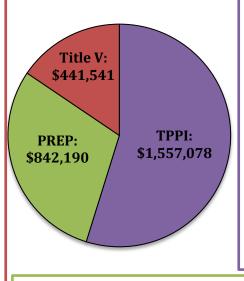


FY 2012 FEDERAL FUNDING IN NEVADA: TOTAL \$2,840,809

Title V AOUM Program (Title V) \$441,541

Nevada has chosen to implement abstinence-only-until-marriage (AOUM) programs through Title V, matching every \$4 federal dollars with \$3 state dollars or in-kind contributions.

The Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health administers the Title V AOUM program in collaboration with three local sub-grantees in Carson City, Douglas, Elko, Lyon, and Washoe counties: Carson City Health and Human Services; Family Resource Center of Northeastern Nevada–Elko; and Quest Counseling and Consulting–Reno. The funded programs target youth ages 9-12, with priority enrollment given to youth in foster care. In addition, there is a statewide radio and TV campaign funded by the Title V AOUM program, in partnership with the Nevada Broadcasters Association, to produce TV and radio spots in English and Spanish promoting abstinence from sexual activity and encouraging parent-child communication. The funding match is made with in-kind funds from the Nevada Broadcasters Association.



Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (TPPI) \$1,557,078

Funds for local entities to implement evidence-based programs (Tier 1) or innovative strategies (Tier 2) to prevent teen pregnancy.

There are two Tier 1 grantees in Nevada: The Center for Health Disparities Research at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, which provides programming to African-American youth ages 14–18 in Clark County; and the Southern Nevada Health District, which partners with other government agencies to provide programming to high-risk youth ages 13–18 in the Clark County Juvenile Detention Center, Clark County Probation, and Division of Family Services Foster Care Program.

Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) \$842,190

Funds for states (PREP), local entities (PREIS), community/faith-based organizations (CPREP), and tribes (TPREP) to implement evidence-informed or innovative teen pregnancy- and HIV/STD-prevention, and adulthood preparation programs for young people.

Nevada PREP sub-grants to three entities: Huntridge Teen Clinic; Planned Parenthood Mar Monte; and the Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains. The programs take place in community-based settings in Clark and Washoe counties and target females ages 13–18, with priority enrollment given to youth in foster care. There is also one PREIS grantee in Nevada, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern Nevada, which serves youth ages 13–18, specifically focusing on low-income youth who are already involved in the Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring program.

For further background on the federal programs, information on the grantees and the programs they are implementing, as well as citations, please see the FY 2012 Nevada State Profile available at www.siecus.org/Nevada2012

