






ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH PROMOTION AT A GLANCE

The following is an overview of the state of adolescent sexual health promotion efforts in New Hampshire in Fiscal Year (FY) 2013, including sexuality education state laws and policy, sexual health data, and federal funding.




STATE LEVEL SEXUALITY EDUCATION LAW AND POLICY OVERVIEW

The New Hampshire Department of Education is required to develop curriculum frameworks that address HIV/AIDS and STD education, to assist public and private schools in developing courses and programs. New Hampshire's [Health Education Curriculum Guidelines](#) specify what topics family life and sexuality education should cover at different grade levels. The guidelines state that abstinence is the most effective means of preventing pregnancy, HIV, and other STDs. Parents or guardians may remove their children from school-based sexuality education and/or HIV/STD education classes based on religious objections ("opt-out").

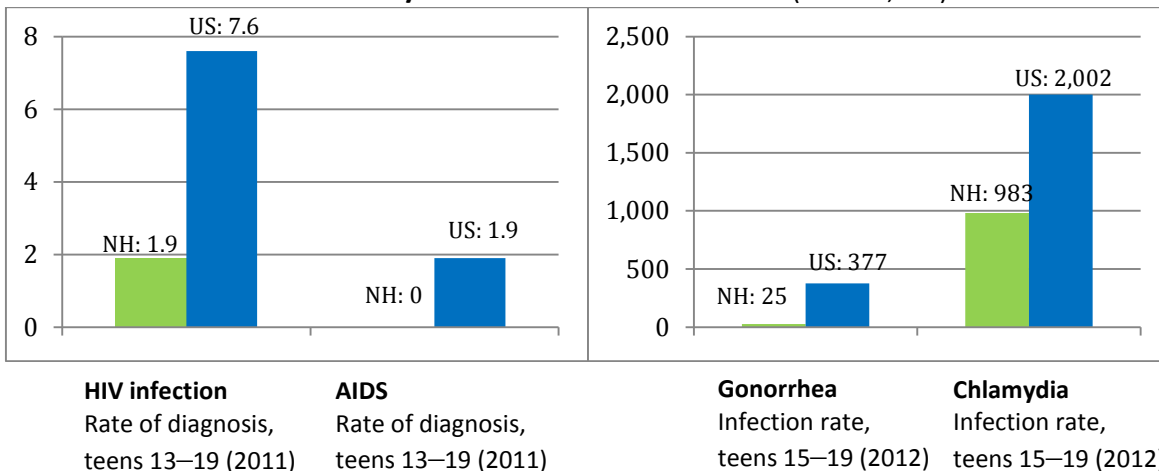
REPORTED BEHAVIORS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

-  Among New Hampshire high school students in 2013, 43% of females and 42% of males **reported ever having had sexual intercourse**, lower than the reported national average of 46% of females and 48% of males.
-  Among New Hampshire high school students in 2013, 38% of females and 32% of males **reported being currently sexually active** (having had sexual intercourse in the three months prior), higher for females than the reported national average of 38% of females and 33% of males.
-  Among New Hampshire high school students in 2013, 9% of females and 6% of males **reported experiencing physical dating violence one or more times** during the 12 months before the survey, lower than the reported national average of 13% of females and 7% of males.

NEW HAMPSHIRE TEEN PREGNANCY, BIRTH, AND ABORTION RATES

-  In 2010, New Hampshire's teen **pregnancy rate was lower than the national average**, with 28 pregnancies per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 57 per 1,000 nationwide.
-  In 2012, New Hampshire's teen **birth rate was lower than the national average**, with 14 births per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 29 per 1,000 nationwide.
-  In 2010, New Hampshire's teen **abortion rate was lower than the national average**, with 8 abortions per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 15 per 1,000 nationwide.

NEW HAMPSHIRE'S YOUNG PEOPLE: HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STD RATES (PER 100,000)

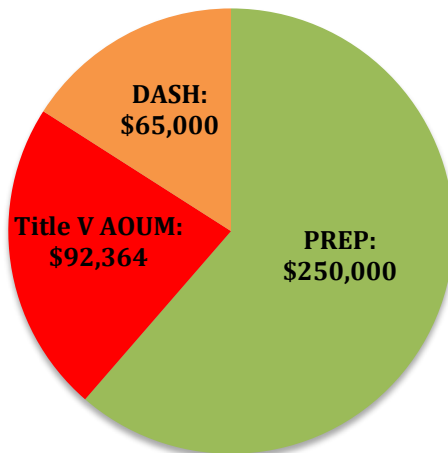


FY 2013 FEDERAL FUNDING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE: TOTAL \$407,364

Title V AOUM Program (Title V) \$92,364

New Hampshire 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 New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services administers the state's Title V AOUM grant in collaboration with the Division of Public Health Services. The single sub-grantee in New Hampshire is Catholic Medical Center, which provides programming in the city of Manchester and in Sullivan County through both school- and community-based settings. Catholic Medical Center provides the match through in-kind services.



Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) \$250,000

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.

The New Hampshire PREP grant is administered by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services in collaboration with two sub-grantees: Child Health Services and Good Beginnings of Sullivan County. The funded programs provide community-based programming to young women ages 16–19 and pregnant and parenting women up to age 21 in the city of Manchester and in Sullivan County.

Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH) \$65,000

Funds state and local education agencies to help districts implement exemplary sexual health education (ESHE), increase access to key sexual health services (SHS), and establish safe and supportive environments (SSE) for students and staff; funds HIV/STD prevention efforts for young men who have sex with men (YMSM); supports state education and health agencies' surveillance efforts.

The New Hampshire Department of Education receives DASH funds to collect and report the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance and the School Health Profiles.

For further background on the federal programs, information on the grantees and the programs they are implementing, as well as citations, see the FY 2013 New Hampshire State Profile at siecus.org/NewHampshire2013.