



ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH PROMOTION AT A GLANCE

The following is an overview of the state of adolescent sexual health promotion efforts in New York 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

New York requires health education for all students in grades kindergarten-twelve, which does not specifically mention sexuality education, but includes certain topics within sexuality education. Instruction must provide information about HIV/AIDS, including accurate information about the nature of the disease, methods of transmission, and methods of prevention. Instruction must be age-appropriate, consistent with community values, and stress abstinence as the most appropriate and effective premarital protection against AIDS. Local school boards must establish an advisory council to make recommendations on HIV/AIDS instruction and may provide for the distribution of condoms in schools. Parents or guardians may remove their children from school-based sexuality education and/or HIV/STD education classes (“opt-out”). For more information, see [New York Regulations of the Commissioner of Education § 135.3](#), and [Learning Standards for Health, Physical Education, and Family and Consumer Sciences at Three Levels](#).

REPORTED SEXUAL ACTIVITY OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEW YORK

↓ Among New York high school students in 2011, 40% of females and 45% of males reported **ever having had sexual intercourse, lower than the reported national average** of 46% of females and 49% of males.

↓ Among New York high school students in 2011, 31% of females and 31% of males reported being currently sexually active (having had sexual intercourse in the three months prior), **lower than the reported national average** of 34% of females and 33% of males.

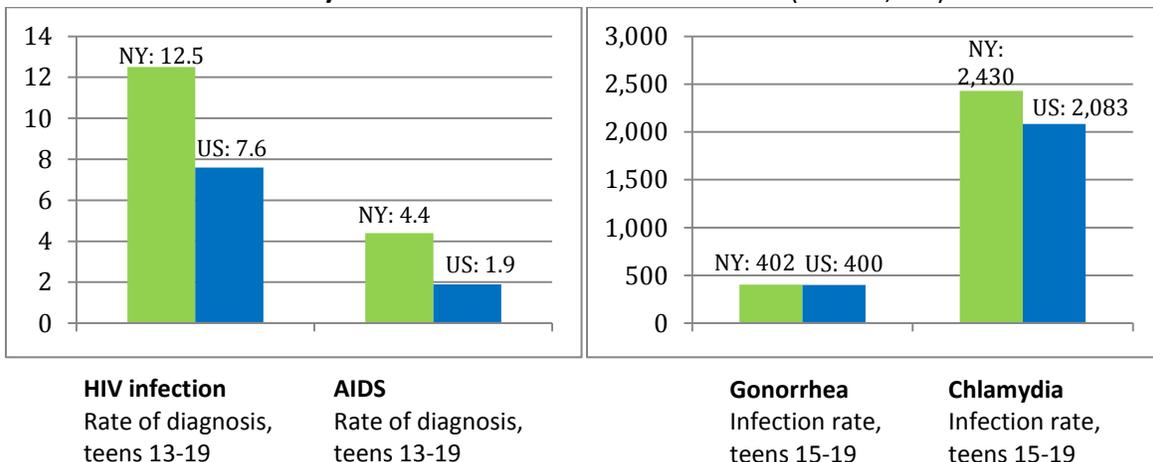
NEW YORK TEEN PREGNANCY, BIRTH & ABORTION RATES

↑ New York’s teen **pregnancy rate is higher than the national average**, with 71 pregnant teens per 1,000 compared to 68 pregnant teens per 1,000 nationwide in 2008.

↓ New York’s teen **birth rate is lower than the national average**, with 21 teens per 1,000 giving birth compared to 31 teens per 1,000 nationwide in 2011.

↑ New York’s teen **abortion rate is higher than the national average**, with 37 teens per 1,000 having an abortion compared to 18 teens per 1,000 nationwide in 2008.

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

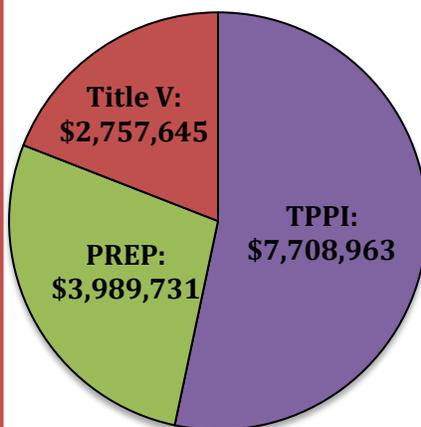


FY 2012 FEDERAL FUNDING IN NEW YORK: TOTAL \$14,456,339

**Title V AOUM Program (Title V)
\$2,757,645**

New York 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 York State Department of Health administers the V AOUM program with 17 local community-based organizations in counties that experience the highest number of births to youth under 20. Sub-grantees focus on preteen youth, ages 9-12, in after-school and community-based settings. Programming is administered in Albany, Bronx, Brooklyn, Erie, Kings, Manhattan, Monroe, Nassau, Niagara, Onondaga, Orange, Queens, Richmond, Suffolk, and Westchester counties. Sub-grantees contribute to the match through local government funds, private dollars, or in-kind services.



Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (TPPI) \$7,708,963

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

There are six TPPI Tier 1 grantees in New York: the City of Rochester; Grand Street Settlement, Inc.; Morris Heights Health Center; New York City Mission Society; Planned Parenthood of New York City, Inc.; and Program Reach, Inc. Programming ranges from serving youth after school in recreation centers in Rochester; community-based sites on the Lower East Side and Bushwick, Brooklyn; serving African-American and Latino youth, ages 11-18 in school-based health centers in the Bronx; as well as younger (11-14) African-American and Latino youth in Westchester County.

There is one TPPI Tier 2 Innovative Approaches grantee in New York, EngenderHealth, Inc., which implements programming for low-income, African-American and Latino youth who participate in the city of Austin's Summer Youth Employment Program.

There is also one Tier 2 Communitywide Initiatives grantee in New York, the Fund for Public Health in New York, Inc., which received \$1,500,000 for FY 2011. a multi-component teen pregnancy-prevention initiative that serves the Hunts Point and Morrisania communities in the South Bronx.

Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) \$3,989,731

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 York State Department of Health, in collaboration with nine sub-grantees, administers PREP through programming in school- and community-based settings for youth ages 10-19 in high-risk areas across the state, targeting Latino and African-American youth, as well as youth involved in the juvenile justice system, foster care, and pregnant or parenting youth. There is one PREIS grantee in New York, Cicatelli Associates, Inc., which implements a behavioral intervention program for young people ages 12-19 in the New York City foster care system.

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 New York State Profile available at

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