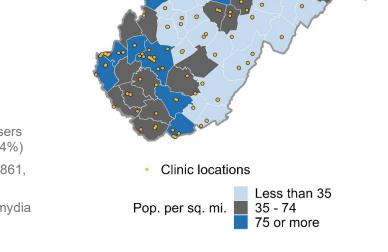
West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources

The West Virginia Department of Public Health and Human Resources' Family Planning Program (WVFPP) is a state agency that has been a Title X recipient for more than 50 years. WVFPP offers Title X services across the state through a network of subrecipient agencies. Service sites include city or county health departments, freestanding family planning clinics, federally qualified health centers (FQHCs), school-based health centers, primary care associations, Planned Parenthood affiliates, and universities.¹

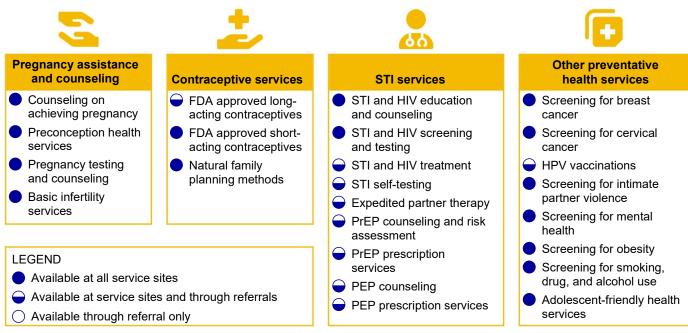
Stats at a Glance²

- Number of family planning (FP) encounters 29,791
- FP users with incomes below 100% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) – 12,747 (67%); all FP users with incomes below 250% of FPL – 15,993 (84%)
- Number of tests performed for gonorrhea 6,861, syphilis – 3,169, and HIV – 2,843
- Number of female users who received a chlamydia test – 2,424 or a Pap test – 3,645

Overview of Services Offered



As a Title X recipient, WVFPP provides a broad range of FP services including pregnancy prevention and birth spacing, pregnancy testing and counseling, assistance to achieve pregnancy, basic infertility services, sexually transmitted infection (STI) services, and other preconception health services. The services are voluntary, confidential, and provided regardless of ability to pay.³ The infographic below is an Overview of Services Offered within the WVFPP network. The data shown below are not specific to any particular site but rather are representative of the broader grantee network. For information on services available at individual service sites, please refer to the <u>OPA clinic locator</u>.



- ² Source: Family Planning Annual Report (FPAR): <u>2022 National Summary</u>.
- ³ See the <u>Title X Service Grants web page</u> for more information on the requirements and regulations guiding Title X projects.

¹ Source: Data collected by Mathematica in 2023 for the Title X Implementation Study.

Equity in Practice



WVFPP's Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (APPI) aims to provide individuals of reproductive age with medically accurate and age-appropriate information to support their reproductive health. APPI partners with colleges and universities across West Virginia to present at new student orientations, deliver trainings to on-campus health educators, take part in school fairs, and provide informative resources to residence halls. In addition to education services, the APPI team recruited several campus health centers to be a part of the WVFPP Title X subrecipient network. Securing Title X funding for on-campus clinics allows students to receive free family planning and STI testing services while removing significant access barriers.

Innovations in Practice



WVFPP participates in a grant with the Office of Drug Control Policy to integrate Title X services at harm reduction clinics across the state. The grant focuses on preventing unplanned pregnancies for individuals who are undergoing treatment for substance abuse disorders. The grant streamlines harm reduction and Title X programming for clients and provides harm reduction clinics with STI and HIV tests, additional staff to support clinic operations, and opportunities for clients to receive education about contraceptive counseling, the availability of Title X services, and Title X educational materials.

Did You Know?



WVFPP is creating accessible, efficient, and targeted staff training options in response to subrecipient feedback. For example, WVFPP plans to shift from an in-person training to a self-paced web-based curriculum. The recipient conducted a curriculum audit to identify the online modules for all staff versus specialized staff (such as billing, administrative, or clinical staff). Through this review, WVFPP will reduce the total required training time from four hours to one hour and increase flexibility for when and where staff can complete their training.



WVFPP used FPAR 2.0 encounter-level data to identify service gaps and where to focus service delivery improvements. The recipient learned that some clients did not use their referrals for follow-up STI and HIV treatment. WVFPP used this finding to improve its in-house STI treatment services, ensuring clients have multiple options for care after receiving a positive test result. This reduced the need for referrals and the chance that clients would not receive the care or treatment they needed. WVFPP continues to use encounter-level data to monitor referral linkages and improve service delivery.



WVFPP developed a partnership with the Family Resource Network (FRN), a county-level network of social support agencies, to help the Title X subrecipients stay up to date on available services and client supports in the area. WVFPP's participation in monthly FRN meetings helped build referral linkages and collaborative initiatives. This collaboration also helped WVFPP build quality relationships with the communities it serves and to establish grassroots referral networks.

About the Title X Program

The Title X Family Planning Program, created in 1970 and authorized under Title X of the Public Health Service Act, is administered by the Office of Population Affairs (OPA) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. For more information, please refer to OPA's <u>website</u>.

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