



Planned Parenthood Action Fund of New Jersey

Title X in New Jersey

Title X is the nation's only program for affordable birth control and preventive reproductive health care. Title X ensures that every person – regardless of who they are, where they live, how much money they make, or whether they're insured – has access to basic reproductive health services, such as birth control, cancer screenings, and STD testing and treatment.

The Trump-Pence administration has just released a gag rule, drastically undermining the goals and purpose of Title X. This rule is an attack on anyone who can't afford the rising costs of health care.

This gag rule will have an outsized impact in New Jersey.

- Planned Parenthood currently has 22 Title X-funded health centers in New Jersey.
- In 2018, Planned Parenthood affiliates in New Jersey saw nearly 77,000 patients who benefitted from Title X, which is over 70 percent of all Title X patients in the state.¹
- Due to systemic barriers, women of color are served by the Title X program at higher rates than white women. Of Planned Parenthood's patients in 2018, 33 percent identified as Latino, and 30 percent identified as Black.
- 86 percent of Planned Parenthood patients live with an annual income below 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Level – roughly \$37,650 total per year for a family of four.
- Planned Parenthood was the sole Title X provider in 13 New Jersey counties in 2018.²
- Without Planned Parenthood, all other Title X-funded sites in New Jersey would have to increase their contraceptive client caseloads by 254 percent to serve the women who currently obtain birth control from Planned Parenthood health centers.³

Not only are services through the Title X program sorely needed, the program is also widely supported by New Jerseyans. In a poll performed by the New Jersey Health Care Quality Institute in partnership with the Eagleton Center for Public Interest Polling at Rutgers, 77 percent of those polled thought that the federal government should provide funding for preventive reproductive health services for lower-income women.⁴

1 https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/report_downloads/publicly_funded_contraceptive_services_2015_tables_1-7.pdf

2 <https://njfpl.org/family-planning-clinics/>

3 https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/article_files/attachments/guttmacher-murray-memo-tables-2017.pdf

4 <http://eagletonpoll.rutgers.edu/ecpip-njhqcqi-2017-medicaid-health-insurance-planned-parenthood/>