

NC Department of Health and Human Services

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiatives

Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)

Request for Applications #A424 Bidder's Conference

October 2, 2025

#### **Agenda**

- Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiatives (TPPI)
   Introduction
- PREPare for Success Program Overview
- Review Request for Applications (RFA)
   Components
- Question & Answers

#### **TPPI Programs**



#### **Primary Prevention**

Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program (APPP)

Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)

#### **Secondary Prevention**

Adolescent Parenting Program (APP)

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#### **Funding Information**

- One-year period with the option to extend for two (2) years \*if additional funding becomes available\*
- Funding Period: 6/1/2026 5/31/2027
  - Awards up to \$110,000/year
    - No required local match
  - Funding is contingent upon availability of funds and contract compliance

#### **PREP Outcome Objectives**

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Educate adolescents on both abstinence and contraception to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections (STIs), including Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) 02

Prepare participants to practice behaviors supportive of a healthy transition to adulthood

#### **PREP Key Requirements**

- Audience: youth ages 10-19
- Geography: Funding available to programs in the top 50 counties for birth rates among females aged 15 to 19 based on a five-year average

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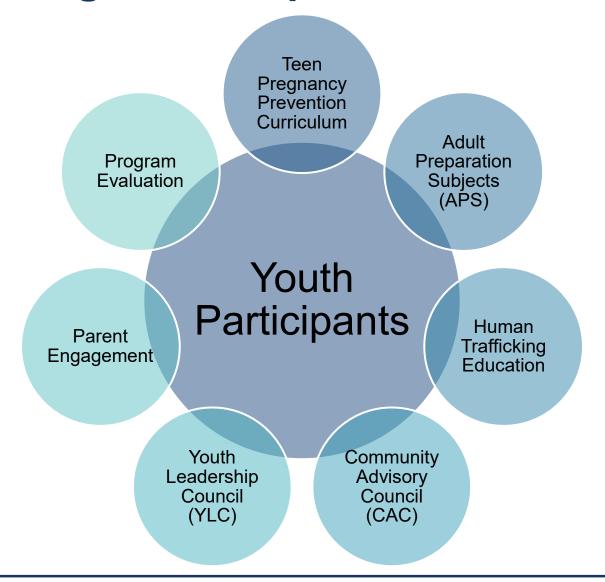
- Implement education on both abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections and HIV
- Include at least three of the six following adulthood preparation subjects:
  - ✓ Healthy relationships
  - ✓ Adolescent development
  - √ Financial literacy
  - ✓ Parent-child communication
  - ✓ Educational and career success
  - √ Healthy life skills

## **PREP Priority Counties**

Rank	County	Fertility Rate	Rank	County	Fertility Rate
1	DUPLIN	39	19	ASHE	27.8
2	BERTIE	38.4	20	WAYNE	27.3
3	GRAHAM	37.9	21	MARTIN	26.7
4	SCOTLAND	36.3	22	CLEVELAND	26.6
5	COLUMBUS	36.1	23	NORTHAMPTON	26.2
6	SWAIN	35.9	24	ALLEGHANY	25.6
7	RICHMOND	35.6	25	BEAUFORT	24.8
8	ROBESON	35.2	26	YANCEY	24.4
9	VANCE	34.8	27	CLAY	24.2
10	ANSON	33	28	GREENE	24
11	WASHINGTON	32.6	29	PERQUIMANS	23.7
12	HALIFAX	32.1	30	CHOWAN	23.6
13	BLADEN	31.6	31	WILSON	23.4
14	SAMPSON	30.8	32	BURKE	23.3
15	ONSLOW	30.7	33	RUTHERFORD	23.2
16	LENOIR	30.2	34	WARREN	23.2
17	EDGECOMBE	29.5	35	HOKE	22.8
18	WILKES	28.4	36	CUMBERLAND	22.5

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37	JONES	22.5
38	SURRY	22.5
39	CRAVEN	22.4
40	MCDOWELL	22.3
41	NASH	22.3
42	PERSON	22.3
43	CALDWELL	22.2
44	YADKIN	21.5
45	MITCHELL	21.4
46	ROCKINGHAM	21.4
47	CASWELL	20.9
48	LEE	20.9
49	MACON	20.2
50	CHEROKEE	20.1

#### **Core Program Components**



## **Application Requirements**

**Section 1. Community Description** 

Section 2. Program Plan

**Section 3. Community Involvement** 

Section 4. Project Budget

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#### **Defining the Community**

# Goal is to establish who your organization will serve

- Demographics
- Setting

## Basis for *why* you chose this community

- Unmet needs
- Intended impact of PRFP
- Link to community needs & existing services
- Alignment between program and community needs

## Balance need with capacity

- Community resources
- Gaps/unmet needs
- Think forward to inputs and outcomes

#### **Detailed Description**

Not So Good Description

We intend to reach students in Carolina County.

Better Description

We intend to reach students, ages 15-19, who reside in the northern part of Carolina County.

Best Description

We intend to reach students, ages 15-19, who attend the five Carolina County schools with the highest teen pregnancy rates.

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#### **Be a Good Narrator**

 Draw from your past successes and challenges of working with youth

 Describe how your agency has taken steps to ensure consistent implementation and outcomes across different groups.

Describe past collaborations with community partners

## **Program Alignment with Community**

- Community readiness for program, including community fit
- Resources supportive of program implementation
- How program will meet unmet needs in community
- Expected barriers to full implementation and how your agency will work to overcome them

#### **PREP - Additional Requirements**

- Parent Involvement Conduct at least one strategy to involve parents, guardians, and caregivers in program.
- Human Trafficking Provide education and information on the prevention of human trafficking (lesson provided)

## **Staffing**

- Programs are required to have 1 full-time coordinator
- Full Time Equivalency (FTE) must match budget
  - 1 staff at 100%/full-time = 1 FTE
  - 2 staff at 50% each/part-time = 1 FTE

Position	FTE	Brief Description of Role
Program Coordinator		
Program Supervisor		

#### **PREP Evaluation Requirements**

#### EZTPPI\*

- Web-based data collection
- Due monthly

\* Sites who select TOP® for their program model must also use Wyman Connect for monthly data entry

#### Participant Satisfaction Surveys

- Must collect from all participants
- Due biannually

#### Site Visits

- Observation
- Records audit
- Policies and procedures

#### **PREP Outcome Evaluation**

- Entry and Exit Surveys to be completed by <u>all</u> consenting youth regardless of age or setting
- Must use electronic version of surveys
- Implementation sites must commit to evaluation and included in MOU

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#### **Youth Leadership Council**

- At least five (5) and up to 15 program participants ages
   10 to 19
- YLC will have nine (9) monthly meetings from September 30, 2026, to May 31, 2027
- YLC will develop one (1) annual project to be completed by May 31 of the fiscal year. Projects may include developing a media campaign, creating a youth friendly services toolkit, providing peer education, etc.

## **Community Advisory Council**

Organizations (at least 5)		Individuals	
Required	<ul> <li>Organizations involved in implementation, such as hosting or recruitment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>At least two (2) adolescents from the Youth Leadership Council (YLC)</li> <li>A parent, legal guardian or caregiver of a teen</li> </ul>	
Suggested	<ul> <li>Local health department</li> <li>Public school system</li> <li>Department of Social Services</li> <li>Cooperative Extension</li> <li>Mental health services</li> <li>Local corporations &amp; businesses</li> <li>Media</li> <li>Juvenile justice centers</li> <li>Institutions of higher learning</li> <li>Other local agencies that serve youth</li> </ul>	Additional community member(s) (chosen at the agency's discretion)	

#### Roles and expectations of CAC

- Quarterly meetings
- Adolescent CAC members create and direct the CAC's overall goals with the support of the adult CAC members
- Advises and assists program staff
- Includes developing a community health initiative (service project) that meets youthdefined needs

#### **Adolescent-Adult Partnerships**

- Explain how youth act as equal partners in developing your program
- Involving youth from the beginning of a project is ideal
- Meaningful Involvement is important

#### **Implementation Partners**

- MOUs from each implementation site are required
- MOUs and Letters of Support are <u>NOT</u>
   required in application for program referral
   sources, these will be required during Year 1

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## **Cost-Reimbursement Grant Funding**

- State funds are dispersed on cost reimbursement basis only
- Consider if your agency has the capacity to implement a program under this system

## **Budget Basics**

- Complete budget for Year 1 (June 2026 May 2027)
- Must use the Open Window Budget worksheet
- Include complete, detailed narratives, including all calculations
  - Incomplete:

Travel: Contractor Staff, Mileage = \$840

– Complete:

Travel: Contractor Staff, Mileage = 100 miles/month x \$0.70/mile x 12 months = \$840

Include participant costs such as incentives, meals

#### **Indirect Costs**

- Indirect costs are allowed but applicants may decline to claim indirect costs
- Where the applicant <u>has</u> a Federal Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate (FNICR), the applicant agency may request up to the federally negotiated rate
  - A copy of the FNICR must be included with the applicant's budget
- If the applicant does <u>not</u> have an FNICR, then the applicant may claim the *de minimis* indirect cost rate of 15%

## **Submission & Next Steps**

#### **RFA** Timeline

- Send questions to <u>tppi-rfa@dhhs.nc.gov</u> until October 9
- Notice of Intent due October 9 (strongly encouraged)
- Q&A posted as addendum by October 17
- Applications due October 30, 5:00PM
  - Electronic submissions only (<u>tppi-rfa@dhhs.nc.gov</u>)

#### **Submission Process**

- Notice of Intent: Potential applicants are encouraged to submit a Notice of Intent no later than 5 p.m. on October 9, 2025
- <u>Electronic application submission:</u> Email a PDF version of the full application to <u>tppi-rfa@dhhs.nc.gov</u>
  - Typed, 8.5" x 11" paper, 1" margins, single-spaced.
     The font should be easy to read and no smaller than an 11-point font.

#### **Notice of Intent**



## **Questions?**

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