



NC DHHS Notice of Funding Availability

Reporting Form

Adolescent Parenting Program RFA # A369

DHHS Division/Office issuing this notice: NC Division of Public Health/Women's and Children's Health Section

Date of this notice: August 28, 2019

Purpose: The Adolescent Parenting Program (APP) is a secondary prevention program (i.e., prevention of second or higher order pregnancies) that provides four-year annually renewable grant awards to projects to provide services for pregnant or parenting teens throughout North Carolina. APP is administered by Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiatives (TPPI) of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Women's and Children's Health Section, Women's Health Branch, Family Planning and Reproductive Health Unit.

Public or private non-profit agencies (e.g., schools, local health departments, non-profit community-based organizations) will receive funding to implement APP in communities throughout the state of North Carolina.

Description: Applicants must demonstrate an understanding of and capacity to implement the APP model as prescribed by TPPI. The program, which is coordinated by at least one full-time staff person with a caseload of 15 participants annually, includes evidence-based home visiting and peer group education sessions. The Adolescent Parenting Program Implementation Guide is located on the following website: <http://www.teenpregnancy.ncdhhs.gov/ap2proj.htm>. The goals of APP are as follows:

1. Increase the self-sufficiency outcomes for APP participants by:
 - a. Increasing the delay of a subsequent pregnancy;
 - b. Increasing graduation from high school with diploma or completion of GED;
2. Improve child welfare and school readiness outcomes for the children of APP participants by:
 - a. Increasing incidence of positive parenting among APP participants to support their child's cognitive development and mental health;
 - b. Increasing incidence of child's physical well-being by establishing the child's medical home and creating a safe home environment.

For more information on APP, visit www.teenpregnancy.ncdhhs.gov.

Eligibility: Public or private non-profit agencies interested in increasing the self-sufficiency of pregnant or parenting teens and improving the developmental outcomes of their children are eligible to apply. For-profit agencies need not apply. Potential applicants should consider whether their agency has the capacity to administer the state grant funds if awarded. Recipients of state funds are expected to have established in writing certain general agency policies including personnel and financial accounting policies. Funds to grantees will be dispersed on a cost reimbursement basis only and agencies should carefully consider if they have the capacity to implement the program under this system.

Applications are desired from counties ranking in the top quartile (i.e., the top 25) for percent of repeat pregnancies among females aged 15 to 19 based on a five-year average between 2013-2017 (referred to as “priority counties”). The priority counties are as follows: Ashe, Caldwell, Catawba, Chatham, Cumberland, Durham, Edgecombe, Guilford, Halifax, Hoke, Jackson, Lee, Lenoir, Madison, Montgomery, Pasquotank, Person, Pitt, Richmond, Rowan, Rutherford, Stanly, Wayne, Wilson and Yancey.

How to Apply: In order to be eligible for funding, a representative of the applicant agency must participate in a mandatory face-to-face technical assistance conference, which will be held on September 12, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at 5605 Six Forks Rd (Building 3, Cardinal Room), Raleigh, NC 27609. Agencies must complete the following registration link, <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/APPRFACONF>, to attend the face-to-face technical assistance conference before 5:00 PM on September 11, 2019. Agencies that do not register and do not attend the mandatory face-to-face technical assistance conference shall not be eligible to respond to this RFA.

Additional information will be on the TPPI website on August 28, 2019:
<https://www.teenpregnancy.ncdhhs.gov/funding.htm>

Deadline for Submission: October 15, 2019 at 5 PM

How to Obtain Further Information: Inquires about this RFA are encouraged, and may be directed to the following Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiatives staff:

Juanella Tyler, TPPI Team Leader
(919) 707-5723, juanella.tyler@dhhs.nc.gov

Deborah Hamlin-Aggrey, Program Consultant
(919) 707-5720, deborah.hamlinaggrey@dhhs.nc.gov

Naisha Coley, Program Consultant
(919) 707-5693, naisha.coley@dhhs.nc.gov

Amanda Fritts, Evaluation Consultant
(919) 707-5688, amanda.fritts@dhhs.nc.gov