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TRAINING: EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAMS TO PREVENT TEEN PREGNANCY

*Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy &
ADPH Adolescent and School Health Program*

President Obama's FY10 Budget includes funding for evidence-based, proven effective programs to prevent teen pregnancy. In anticipation of this new funding stream, the Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy and the ADPH Adolescent and School Health Program, will offer training for interested agencies, communities and school personnel.

Learning objectives include:

1. Explain the definition of evidence-based programs
2. Identify sexual risk-taking behaviors
3. Explain health education/behavior theories used in the design of selected evidence-based programs
4. Describe the concept of program fidelity and adaptation
5. Identify steps to create an action plan for competitive funding

Registration is limited. Registration form and agenda are attached ([http://www.acptp.org/uploadedFiles/March%203,%202010%20-%20Agenda%20and%20Registration\(1\).pdf](http://www.acptp.org/uploadedFiles/March%203,%202010%20-%20Agenda%20and%20Registration(1).pdf)). Please note registration deadline is February 24, 2010

7th Annual Teen Pregnancy Prevention Conference

Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

Mark your calendars now for the Alabama Campaign's Seventh Annual Conference to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. The conference will be held on April 26 & 27, 2010 at the Children's Hospital in Birmingham, AL. Conference participants will learn about Positive Youth Development (PYD) from knowledgeable, engaged speakers. The speakers will include Janet Leopold Max with Healthy Teen Network and Sarah Axelson with Advocates for Youth, among others.

More information about the Annual Conference will be announced soon!

Congress Approves Funding for Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs *National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy*

On Sunday, December 13, the United States Senate passed its package of FY 2010 Appropriations bills, including the Labor HHS appropriations bill, which contains funding for a new teen pregnancy prevention initiative. President Obama signed these bills into law on December 16th; \$100 million is now available for competitive grants to organizations in states and communities for evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs!

This is an exciting step forward in providing much-needed funding to states and communities for these critical programs, especially in light of the recent rise in the teen birth rate. This initiative is the first and only large scale federal investment dedicated to preventing teen pregnancy through proven, effective efforts. The House of Representatives passed its package of spending bills on Thursday, December 10th.

The teen pregnancy prevention initiative provides \$75 million for programs that have been shown through rigorous evaluation to have positive effects on teens' behavior, and \$25 million for research and demonstration on promising programs. The provision also includes \$10 million for technical assistance, training, and other supportive activities to assist the department in effectively running the program, and an additional \$4.5 million for program evaluation. Congress has chosen the new Office of Adolescent Health in the Office of the Secretary to administer the initiative.

For more information visit the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy's new portal which is dedicated exclusively to keeping you aware of all the latest developments on this historic federal investment in teen pregnancy prevention as well as possible additional federal funding (<http://www.thenationalcampaign.org/federal/funding/>).

Community Benefit Report 2008-2009 *Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy*

The Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy has released our first Community Benefit Report ([http://www.acptp.org/uploadedFiles/Community%20Benefit%20Report%202009\(1\).pdf](http://www.acptp.org/uploadedFiles/Community%20Benefit%20Report%202009(1).pdf)), highlighting some of our activities during the past year. We will continue to work in the coming months and years to reduce the incidence of teen pregnancy in Alabama by creating a climate that ensures young people in Alabama receive the knowledge and skills they need to enter adulthood free from unintended pregnancy.

A Tool to Assess the Characteristics of Effective Sex and STD/HIV Education Programs - Now Available in Spanish

Healthy Teen Network

Healthy Teen Network is very pleased to offer a newly-translated version of the Tool to Assess the Characteristics of Effective Sex and STD/HIV Education Programs (TAC)(http://healthyteennetwork.org/index.asp?Type=B_PR&SEC=%7B2AE1D600-4FC6-4B4D-8822-F1D5F072ED7B%7D&DE=%7BB3E92693-FE7D-4248-965F-6AC3471B1E28%7D), based on Dr. Douglas Kirby's research on common characteristics of rigorously evaluated HIV, STD and teen pregnancy prevention curricula.

The TAC is a user-friendly program assessment tool that guides practitioners on program selection, improvements, adaptations, and development. Healthy Teen Network provides training on the characteristics of effective programs and facilitation of the TAC process in both English and Spanish. This tool is especially useful to guide assessments of programs that have not been evaluated and could be considered "promising" if program components align with the TAC.

May is Teen Pregnancy Prevent Month!

National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy

The ninth annual National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy will take place on May 5, 2010. The purpose of the National Day is to focus the attention of teens on the importance of avoiding teen pregnancy and other serious consequences of sex. On the National Day, teens nationwide are asked to take short, online quiz offered by the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy that asks them to reflect on the best course of action in a number of tough sexual situations.

For more information on the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy visit the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy website (<http://www.thenationalcampaign.org/national/default.aspx>).

Estimated Pregnancy Rates for the United States, 1990–2005: An Update

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

This *National Vital Statistics Report*

(http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr58/nvsr58_04.pdf) presents pregnancy rates for 1990–2005, by age, race and Hispanic origin, and by marital status. The data in this report, together with previously published pregnancy rates for earlier years, provide a consistent series of rates for the United States for 1976–2005 (1,2). This update contains new data on pregnancy rates for the year 2005, the most recent year for which detailed national estimates for abortions are available.

Evidence-Based Programs Offered For Review by the Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

The Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy has recently added to their Resource Library and now has over ten evidence-based programs that are available for review! Some of these programs include: Be Proud! Be Responsible!, Reducing the Risk, SiHLE, and Teen Outreach Program (TOP). For more information on evidence-based programs and to view the complete list of programs available for review from the Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy visit us on our website (<http://acptp.org/pages/?pageID=97>).

OPA Clearinghouse

Office of Population Affairs Clearinghouse

The OPA Clearinghouse is sponsored by the Office of Population Affairs, Office of Public Health and Science, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The OPA Clearinghouse collects, develops, and distributes free publications on family planning, including information on contraception (abstinence, sterilization, etc.), reproductive health (cervical cancer, pap tests, etc.), and sexual health (sexually transmitted infection and disease, etc.). For more information visit the OPA Clearinghouse website (<http://www.opaclearinghouse.org>).

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Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

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