



## **eNewsletter (Text)**

**March 16, 2009**

Mark your calendars and register now for the Alabama Campaign's Sixth Annual Conference to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. ([http://www.acptp.org/uploadedFiles/2009%20Conference%20Brochure\(1\).pdf](http://www.acptp.org/uploadedFiles/2009%20Conference%20Brochure(1).pdf)) During the conference participants will learn about reframing the issues of 1) teen pregnancy prevention and 2) support of pregnant and parenting teens in a way that will generate public interest and support for these critical issues.

The latest in Healthy Teen Network's series of *Fast Facts* ([http://www.healthyteennetwork.org/index.asp?Type=B\\_BASIC&SEC={3EEAA079-A14B-482D-B17D-895AD0CEBFE4}](http://www.healthyteennetwork.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={3EEAA079-A14B-482D-B17D-895AD0CEBFE4})), *Supporting Young Male Involvement in Pregnancy Prevention & Parenting* ([http://www.healthyteennetwork.org/index.asp?Type=B\\_BASIC&SEC=%7B3EEAA079-A14B-482D-B17D-895AD0CEBFE4%7D&DE=%7BD8BDEBCA-63C7-4C83-AE50-AB5B69F9E4C8%7D](http://www.healthyteennetwork.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC=%7B3EEAA079-A14B-482D-B17D-895AD0CEBFE4%7D&DE=%7BD8BDEBCA-63C7-4C83-AE50-AB5B69F9E4C8%7D)) explores the benefits of targeting boys and young men specifically in order to reduce teen pregnancy and early, unintended fatherhood and to promote the development of positive relationships between young fathers and their children.

Advocates for Youth (<http://www.advocatesforyouth.org/>) have recently launched, Amplify (<http://www.amplifyyourvoice.org>), a new youth-activist website. Amplify is an online community dedicated to sexual health, reproductive justice, and youth-led grassroots movement building.

The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy (<http://www.thenationalcampaign.org/>) has just released *What Works 2009!* (<http://www.acptp.org/uploadedFiles/What%20Works%202009.pdf>) This 24-page pamphlet presents a succinct overview of what is known about carefully evaluated interventions that help prevent teen pregnancy, including a list of effective programs, selected program effects, contact information, as well as direct links to resources providing additional program and evaluation information.

The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) has released the Final 2006 Teen Birth ([http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr57/nvsr57\\_07.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr57/nvsr57_07.pdf)) data which confirms an increase in the national teen birth rate. A report specific to 2006 teen childbearing at the state level has been released by the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy (<http://www.thenationalcampaign.org/resources/birthdata/default.aspx>).

Are you interested in learning about programs that work in preventing teen pregnancy? Evidence-based programs have been proven through rigorous evaluation to be effective in changing sexual risk-taking behavior and preventing teen pregnancy. The Alabama Campaign has recently added an Evidence-Based Programs (<http://www.acptp.org/pages/?pageID=97>) tab to our website and we invite you to visit and learn more about the significance of implementing evidence-based prevention programs.

Everyone knows that the media has the ability to play an influential role in the lives of teenagers. Managing the Media Monster (<http://www.acptp.org/uploadedFiles/Managing%20the%20Media%20Monster.pdf>) is a report released by the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy (<http://www.thenationalcampaign.org/resources/monster/default.aspx>). This report addresses the impact of media on adolescent behavior.

In response to a need voiced by professionals working with young families, Healthy Teen Network (<http://www.healthyteennetwork.org>) has designed a Behavior-Determinant-Intervention (BDI) Logic Model ([http://www.healthyteennetwork.org/index.asp?Type=B\\_PR&SEC=%7B2AE1D600-4FC6-4B4D-8822-F1D5F072ED7B%7D&DE=%7BFFD15D0C-AA07-47BD-B83E-03E60C860736%7D](http://www.healthyteennetwork.org/index.asp?Type=B_PR&SEC=%7B2AE1D600-4FC6-4B4D-8822-F1D5F072ED7B%7D&DE=%7BFFD15D0C-AA07-47BD-B83E-03E60C860736%7D)) for working with young families in collaboration with various professionals in the field.

A number of local communities are addressing the issue of teen pregnancy prevention through community coalitions. If you are interested in starting a local coalition or joining one in your community, contact the Alabama Campaign. (<http://www.acptp.org/>)

The Alabama Campaign is now on Facebook! (<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Alabama-Campaign-to-Prevent-Teen-Pregnancy/48970037604>) Become a fan of our page and join us in teen pregnancy prevention!

The *Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy's eNewsletter* provides links to articles and websites with information on current events, research, funding opportunities and other items related to teen pregnancy prevention. The inclusion of this information does not imply endorsement by the Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy (ACPTP) and the opinions expressed do not necessarily represent the official position, policies or views of ACPTP.