

# Title X in Oklahoma Improving Public Health and Saving Taxpayer Dollars

Between FY2005 – FY2015, funding for Title X was cut by \$150 million — 10% in ten fiscal years.

#### Title X Served 53,568 Oklahoma Residents in 2015

The Oklahoma State Department of Health and Planned Parenthood of Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma are the Title X grantees in Oklahoma, i supporting 103 Title X-funded health centers across the state including local health department service sites, Planned Parenthoods, and federally qualified health centers. The Title X network served 52,527 women and 1,041 men, for a total of 53,568 residents of Oklahoma in 2015.

Title X provides high-quality family planning services and other preventive health care to low-income and uninsured individuals who may otherwise lack access to health care.

- > Of the 53,568 patients served, **72%** had incomes at or below 100% of the federal poverty level (FPL), iv *meaning they earned* \$11,770 a year or less.
- Ninety-six percent of Title X patients in Oklahoma earned less than \$29,425.vi a year (250% of the FPL).vii

#### Title X Saves Oklahoma's Taxpayer Dollars

Title X supports critical infrastructure needs that are not reimbursable under Medicaid and commercial insurance, such as staff salaries, individual patient education, community-level outreach, and public education about family planning, women's health, and sexual health issues. Without Title X, access to high-quality family planning services for low-income Oklahomans would not be possible.

- The average cost of a Medicaid-funded birth is \$10,176. In 2010, births resulting from unintended pregnancies cost Oklahoma's taxpayers \$331 million.
- > The Title X program helps alleviate the costs of unintended pregnancy through contraception, counseling, and other services.\*

### Title X is Essential to Improving Public Health and Saving Taxpayer Dollars in Oklahoma

Cutting funding for family planning services will lead to more unintended pregnancies and higher health care costs in Oklahoma. Family planning helps women and families plan the timing and spacing of their pregnancies, which results in better educational attainment and economic security; these, in turn, are linked to better health outcomes for women, men, and families.

- Family planning services at Oklahoma's Title X-funded health centers helped prevent 12,800 unintended pregnancies in 2014, which would likely have resulted in 6,200 unintended births and 4,600 abortions.xi
- Without publicly funded family planning, the number of unintended pregnancies in Oklahoma would be 36% higher.xii
- Title X-funded services produce significant cost savings to the federal and state governments; services provided at Title X-s

## Oklahoma's Title X-funded health centers provide a wide range of services:

- Pregnancy testing
- · Contraceptive services
- Pelvic exams
- Screening for cervical and breast cancer
- Screening for high blood pressure, anemia, and diabetes
- Screening for STDs and HIV/AIDS
- Infertility services
- Health education
- Referrals for other health and social services

governments; services provided at Title X-supported sites in Oklahoma accounted for nearly \$89,491 million in such savings in 2010 alone.xiii

Additional cuts to Title X funding—especially in the current economy—would harm tens of thousands of low-income and poor families throughout Oklahoma, in turn costing, not saving, the federal government money.

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