

Update

Family PACT Program Shows Positive Outcomes

Family PACT has saved millions of public sector dollars by averting unintended pregnancies. The program has also played a part in the dramatic drop in the teen pregnancy rate in California.

Since its implementation in 1997, California's Family PACT Program has made family planning services available to millions of low-income California women and men, helping them avoid an unintended pregnancy and improving their reproductive health.

New Study Shows Family PACT Saves \$\$

The recently released report by Office of Family Planning (OFP) and UCSF, *Cost-Benefit Analysis of the California Family PACT Program for Calendar Year 2007*, compares the cost of providing publicly-funded family planning with projected

public sector expenditures without the program.

Through the provision of contraceptive methods in 2007, the Family PACT Program averted an estimated 296,200 unintended pregnancies in California. 286,700 of these averted pregnancies were to female Family PACT clients and 9,500 were to the partners of male Family PACT clients. 81,200 of the 286,700 female client were adolescents.

Each pregnancy averted to a female Family PACT client saved the public sector approximately \$6,557 in medical, welfare, and other social service costs for a woman and child from conception to age two and saved \$14,111 from conception to age 5.

The total public sector cost-savings of the pregnancies averted through the Family PACT female clients in 2007 was \$1.88 billion from conception to age two, and over \$4 billion from conception to age five.

The Family PACT Program's total service expenditures were \$437.3 million in 2007. By reducing public health and welfare expenditures resulting from unintended pregnancies, **every dollar spent on Family PACT saved the public sector \$4.30 from conception to age two and \$9.25 from conception to age five.**

These findings indicate a substantial increase in the program's cost savings from the previous 2002 cost-benefit analysis report. The overall savings nearly doubled with this study due to the increased public sector cost per pregnancy, a greater number of pregnancies averted per client, and decreased Family PACT expenditures per client.

The cost of unintended pregnancy is over four (4) times the cost of prevention. This study, like numerous studies before it, underscores that investing in pregnancy prevention results in fiscal savings at every level of government.

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Family PACT Helps Reduce Teen Birth Rates^{1,2}

Family PACT has also had an impact on the California teen birth rate as a partner with other programs that have focused on teen pregnancy prevention.

Recently released 2008 data show both California and national teen birth rates declining since 2006. California's reduction of teen births per 1,000 from 37.8 in 2006 to 35.2 in 2008 is six times larger than the national decline of teen births per 1,000 from 41.9 in 2006 to 41.5 in 2008

Since 1991, California has experienced a 50% decrease in its teen birth rate, compared to the national decrease during this period of 33%.

This drop in teen births is particularly impressive because California has a greater proportion of Latinas in its teen population than does the United States as a whole and Latinas have the highest teen birth rate of all population groups. To more accurately compare California's success, we can look to Texas where the teen population profile is similar to California's. California has decreased teen births by 50% since 1991 whereas Texas has only experienced an 11% decrease during this same period,

Family PACT has contributed to this reduction by expanding the number of providers offering the services, increasing the number of clients being served and improving the utilization of effective contraceptives.

Who Are the Clients and Providers in Family PACT?³

In Fiscal Year 2008/2009, Family PACT served a total of 1.77 million clients. The client population is diverse in terms of both language and race/ethnicity. This client mix has remained steady over the years with race/ethnicity percentages of 64% Latino, 6% African American, 20% White, 6% Asian, Pacific Islander and 3% other.

Half of the clients served by Family PACT in 2008/09 are women between 20-29 years of age. The next

largest group of women was 30-39 year olds (22%) and adolescents from 10-19 years old (17%).

A total of 314,115 adolescent clients were served in 2008/09 with 59% of them being older teens 18-19 years old.

The majority of clients come into the program prior to giving birth for the first time. Over time, the average parity of female clients has been going down, meaning the program is reaching more and more women before they've experienced a birth.

The number of male clients served has increased 29% over the past 5 years. The number of adolescent clients served grew 3% in 08/09. Over a five-year period, the number was up 2%.

Public providers served 70% of the clients in 2008/09. Private providers see more Latino clients and their clients are more likely to speak Spanish. Private provider clients tend to be older, with larger families, more prior pregnancies, and higher incomes.

References:

- ¹ The Center for Research on Adolescent Health and Development "No Time for Complacency Spring 2010" Update, can be viewed at [http://teenbirths.phi.org/2010TeenBirthsReport\(2008data\).pdf](http://teenbirths.phi.org/2010TeenBirthsReport(2008data).pdf)
- ² Guttmacher Policy Review, Spring 2010, Volume 13, Number 2, "Winning Campaign: California's Concerted Effort to Reduce Its Teen Pregnancy Rate"
- ³ Family PACT Program Report, FY 2008/09

Read More

Full report on: ***Cost-Benefit Analysis of the California Family PACT Program for Calendar Year 2007.***

http://bixbycenter.ucsf.edu/publications/files/FamilyPACTCost-BenefitAnalysis2007_2010Apr.pdf

Winning Campaign: California's Concerted Effort to Reduce Its Teen Pregnancy Rate, published in the Spring 2010 issue of the Guttmacher Policy Review.

<http://www.guttmacher.org/pubs/gpr/13/2/gpr130218.pdf>

No Time for Complacency Spring 2010 Update developed by The Center for Research on Adolescent Health and Development.

[http://teenbirths.phi.org/2010TeenBirthsReport\(2008data\).pdf](http://teenbirths.phi.org/2010TeenBirthsReport(2008data).pdf)

Family PACT Program Report, 2008/09 can be found at www.familypact.org under the Reports and Research Briefs section and Family PACT Reports – Annual Report 2008-09

Updated Web Based Family PACT Resources

The OFP has a number of web-based resources available on the Family PACT website designed to assist providers to implement and maintain their Family PACT program. The two resources listed below have recently been updated and can be viewed and/or downloaded from the Family PACT website:

1-2-3s of Family PACT Provider Enrollment

http://www.familypact.org/Files/Provider/Provider%20Enrollment/2010-0601_1-2-3sofProviderEnrollment_Rev5-10_508c.pdf

Access to Sterilization – Permanent Contraception

http://familypact.org/Files/Provider/Provider%20Resources/2010-0601_AccessSterilization_Rev5-10_508c.pdf

Upcoming Family PACT Training Events

Following is a partial listing of training events planned for Family PACT providers or potential providers. Please check regularly under providers/calendar of events at www.familypact.org.

September 15, 2010

*IUC Insertion Training
Los Angeles*

September 16, 2010

*Ask the Experts: Family Pact
Laboratory Benefits
Webcast*

September 21, 2010

*Provider Orientation
Redding*

September 29, 2010

*Regional Provider Forum: Family
PACT Benefits, Updates and
Coding for Clinicians
Temecula*

October 5, 2010

*Provider Orientation
Fresno*

October 14, 2010

*Ask the Experts: Coding E&M Visits for
Family PACT
Webcast*

October 19, 2010

*Family PACT Treatment and Dispensing
Guidelines for Clinicians
Webcast*

PROVIDER SUPPORT RESOURCES

Family PACT Website

Program info, trainings, online modules, research and reports, etc

www.familypact.org

Provider Resource Line

To find out more about Family PACT and its benefits

1- 877- FAMPACT - (1-877-326-7228)

Toll-free

Office of Family Planning Telephone and Email Address

General Family PACT administration questions

916-650-0414

familypact@cdph.ca.gov

Family PACT E-News

E-News - web-based update emailed to providers on the latest in Family PACT. Email us to sign up

familypact@cfhc.org

Medi-Cal Website

Medi-Cal policy and information and revised Family PACT Policies, Procedures and Billing Instructions (PPBI) Manual

www.medi-cal.ca.gov

Provider Telephone Service Center

Family PACT billing policies and procedures, Claims Denials, Claim Inquiry Forms, Appeal Forms and Resubmission Turnaround, and HAP card orders

800-541-5555

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