



Policy-Driven Demand for Government Evaluation: Data and Capacity Needs HHS Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program and Key Issues Related to Evaluation

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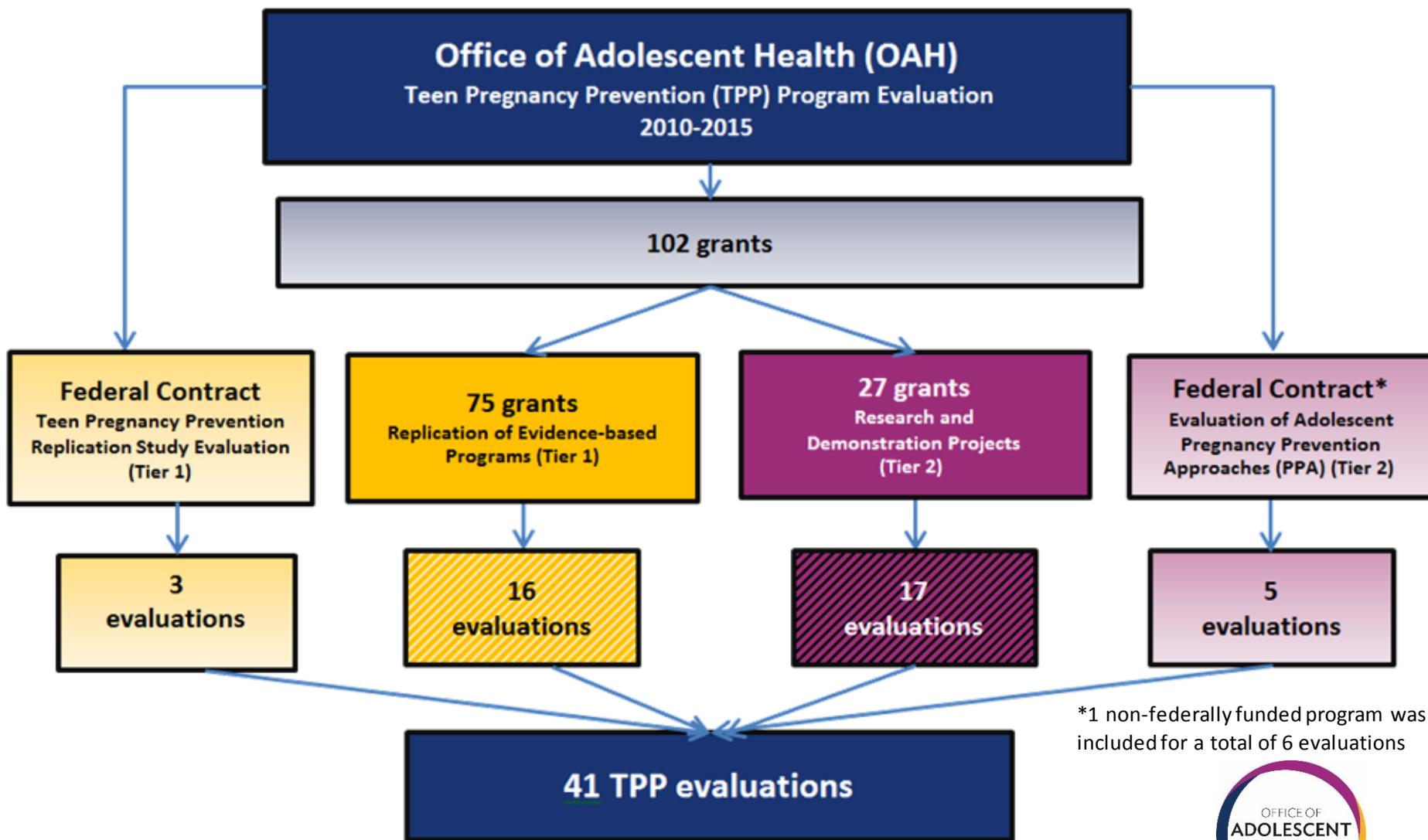
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- **Replication of Evidence-Based Programs (Tier 1)** – approx. \$75 million annually
- **Research & Demonstration Projects to Develop & Test New and Innovative Approaches (Tier 2)** – approx. \$25 million annually
- **TPP Program Support** - approx. \$7 million annually
- **Evaluation of TPP Approaches** - approx. \$6.8 million annually

TPP Evaluation Framework FY2010-FY2014



*1 non-federally funded program was included for a total of 6 evaluations

- Conditions for grantee-led evaluations to maintain high level of rigor:
 - Detail criteria of rigorous evaluation
 - Detailed description in funding opportunity announcement
 - Independent evaluator
 - Sufficient resources
 - Grant conditions and commitment to hold grantees accountable to stated standards
 - Programmatic and evaluation technical assistance

- Tier 1
 - Replicating evidence-based TPP programs to scale in communities with the greatest need (holistic approach)
 - Capacity building to support replication of evidence-based TPP programs
- Tier 2
 - Rigorous evaluation of new or innovative approaches to prevent teen pregnancy
 - Supporting and enabling early innovation to advance adolescent health and prevent teen pregnancy

- Performance Measures
- Rigorous, Independent Grantee-led Evaluations (Tiers 1 & 2)
- Federal Evaluations
 - Multi-site evaluation study – (1) replications, (2) significant or meaningful adaptations, and (3) selected core components of common programs
 - Qualitative study and rigorous evaluations – the feasibility & impact of scaling up evidence-based programs and taking a holistic approach
 - Implementation & impact evaluation – a commonly implemented but understudied teen pregnancy prevention program
 - Secondary data analysis – interventions for middle school youth
 - Meta-analysis – program/contextual elements that affect outcomes

- Including a planning, piloting, and readiness period for all grantees
- Implementing programs with fidelity and quality through monitoring
- Incorporating evaluation once program implementation has already begun
- Ensuring strong contrast between treatment control

- Establishing & promoting uniform evidence standards
- Providing evaluation training & technical assistance
- Collecting and using data to make continuous quality improvements
- Disseminating all evaluation results transparently and expanding the evidence

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TPP Program Grantees (FY2010-2014)

The Office of Adolescent Health (OAH) Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program implements and evaluates teen pregnancy prevention programs. It is one of six federal evidence-based initiatives, which use the best evidence available to address social issues. From September 2010 to August 2015 (Fiscal Years 2010-2014), OAH funded 102 grantees that:

- Reached nearly half a million youth in 39 states and Washington, D.C.
- Trained more than 6,100 new facilitators
- Created more than 3,800 community partnerships

The TPP program also funded 41 rigorous evaluation studies. These studies help build a body of evidence about where, when, and with whom specific programs are most effective. The evaluation results provide important information that organizations can use when selecting evidence-based TPP programs to implement in their communities.

Get a snapshot of the findings:



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Fact Sheet



Infographic

OAH TPP Program:

http://www.hhs.gov/ash/oah/oah-initiatives/tpp_program/about/

Evaluation Results:

http://www.hhs.gov/ash/oah/oah-initiatives/tpp_program/cohorts-fy-2010-2014.html/

