



STD PCHD

Strengthening STD Prevention and Control for Health Departments

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Dear Colleagues,

January 1, 2019 marked the beginning of the Division of STD Prevention's (DSTDP) new flagship STD prevention funding program: *Strengthening STD Prevention and Control for Health Departments*, or STD PCHD.

This funding to state, territorial, and local health departments is instrumental in monitoring, preventing, and controlling STDs throughout the United States. The new five-year cooperative agreement began this month and ends December 31, 2023. The 59 health department recipients will receive approximately \$92,500,000 in 2019, with awards ranging from \$300,000 to over \$6,500,000.

STD PCHD priorities are to:

- Eliminate congenital syphilis
- Prevent antibiotic-resistant gonorrhea
- Reduce primary and secondary syphilis
- Prevent infertility and other negative reproductive health outcomes
- Address STD-related outbreaks
- Reduce STD-related health disparities
- Support STD-related HIV prevention

Program work will focus on five strategy areas: to conduct surveillance; conduct disease investigation and intervention; promote CDC recommended screening, diagnosis and treatment; promote prevention and policy; and analyze and use data for program improvement. Cross-cutting strategies include STD-related HIV prevention, as well as creating, maintaining, and leveraging partnerships.

More information including the [full list of awardees](#) and an [infographic about the funding](#) are available on CDC's [STD PCHD webpage](#). Questions about the cooperative agreement should be directed to STD_PCHD@cdc.gov.

As always, thank you for your continued dedication to STD prevention.

Best Regards,

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