

Performance Measure 08:

The rate of birth (per 1,000) for teenagers aged 15 through 17 years.

Plan for the Coming Year

The following infrastructure level strategies will be accomplished through the activities listed.

A. Analyze PRAMS data reported by teen mothers to identify issues specific to this population. Examine results to determine next steps and recommendations for further research.

1. Work with PRAMS coordinator to identify data on teen births.
2. Use Vital Statistics data for prioritizing concerns of stakeholders about the effect of teen pregnancy on birth outcomes in Ohio.
3. Disseminate prioritization results to sub-grantees from stakeholder meeting.
4. Formulate recommendations for best practice strategies by using the prioritization results from the stakeholder's meeting.
5. Monitor program's Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) strategic plans to ensure implementation (See Office of Minority Health, DHHS, 2001. National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services in Health Care. Retrieved February 15, 2008, from <http://www.omhrc.gov/assets/pdf/checked/executive.pdf>).

B. Evaluate BCFHS programs to determine if they are utilizing evidence-based practices to reduce contributing factors to teen pregnancy.

1. Based on previous year's survey to compare programs in Ohio that are addressing teen pregnancy prevention programs, compare these programs to evidence-based practice programs.
2. Provide technical assistance to improve program quality through a statewide education/training meeting.
3. Monitor introduction of standards of practice into community outreach activities.
4. Ensure prevention programs incorporate learning materials appropriate for LEP (i.e. limited English proficiency) clients.