



JULY 2023 **CONNECTIONS**

Welcome to the Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas monthly newsletter. As a member of our community, we would like to share the latest updates on the work at Planned Parenthood. We have also included important action alerts and upcoming events.

JULY IS MEN'S HEALTH SERVICES MONTH

Why do men, and those who identify as men, come to Planned Parenthood for health services? For non-judgmental, expert healthcare they can trust, in a caring and compassionate setting.

10%

In 2022, 10% of our patients identified

11,000

Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas provided over 11,000 healthcare visits in 2022 with patients who identify as male.

OUR MOST COMMON MEN'S SERVICES PROVIDED ARE:



Testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections (STIs)



Rapid HIV testing and HIV prevention medication



Condoms and trusted sex education to help men take charge of their sexual health

HEALTHCARE: MEN'S SERVICESS

Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas is a trusted resource for men's healthcare! We're here for any questions or concerns men might have - men can ask us anything. Men rely on us for health services, including STI testing and treatment, HIV testing, medication to help prevent HIV transmission, gender affirming hormone therapy, condoms, and the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine.



Planned Parenthood clinician discussing men's healthcare services with patient.

TAKE ACTION: PRIDE 2023

Thank you to all who joined our Pride festivals and parades in June. It is inspiring when we all stand in support and solidarity with the LBGTQ+ community.



Sun City Pride Parade in El Paso, with Congresswoman Veronica Escobar in attendance.



Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas' new summer leaders at the Arlington Pride festival.





For city-specific applications and information about TAB, scan here.

EDUCATION

Know a teen that is interested in making a difference in their community? Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas is expanding education to teens with its Teen Advocacy Board (TAB). TAB is a program that empowers teens in the Austin, Dallas, and Forth Worth area to provide peer education and advocate for sexual health. TAB is a fun way to meet others in the community that are passionate about sexual and reproductive healthcare! Applications are due August 1st.

A NEWS CONNECTION

The State of Texas and an anonymous "John Doe" plaintiff are suing Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, the other 2 non-profit Planned Parenthood Texas affiliates, and Planned Parenthood Federation of America for more than \$1.8 billion. The lawsuit alleges that Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas and the other Texas Planned Parenthood affiliates defrauded Medicaid by getting reimbursed for birth control and other preventive healthcare services Planned Parenthood provided to eligible patients.

Please know: These allegations are false -- Planned Parenthood did not commit Medicaid fraud. In fact, a previous federal court ruled that Planned Parenthood could provide these services to Medicaid patients during the four-year period in question. Not satisfied with overturning of Roe v. Wade and banning abortion in Texas, this lawsuit targets birth control, cancer screenings, and Planned Parenthood's ability to provide healthcare.



WAYS TO GIVE

Imagine a Texas where everyone can access quality healthcare and information to live their lives fully, without judgment. By making a meaningful gift to Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas - a trusted provider of sexual healthcare, you are helping to provide this access.

With your gift to Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, our community benefits from:

- Testing and treatment for STIs
- Rapid HIV testing and HIV prevention medication
- Condoms and trusted sex education

Let us continue supporting high-quality healthcare services and sex education programs for generations to come.

Contact development@ppgt.org or 214-254-3017 to learn how a legacy gift to Planned Parenthood can ensure commitment to high-quality care for all continues.

What's the difference between giving to Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas and Planned Parenthood Federation of America?

When you donate directly to Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, 100% of your gift supports local healthcare and sex education services across Central, East, North, and West Texas.

When you donate to the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, a portion of your gift supports local services, as well as national advocacy and sex education efforts.





