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2017 - 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



Planned Parenthood of Southern New England

**CELEBRATING 95 YEARS OF CARE**

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Our Leadership

# With Your Support, We Made a Difference.

Greetings Friends,

2017-2018 was our first year together as CEO and Board Chair – and what a year it was! Our passion grows stronger every day. Our mission, our strong communities, and generous people like you keep us engaged. In this report, we are thrilled to share the stories of the difference you make.

*With your support, we made a difference in many lives...*

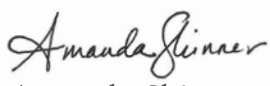
- » Suzanne wasn't taking her medication because she couldn't afford her copays. Now, she is getting her regular medical care in our award-winning health center. She is back on her medication and taking care of herself.
- » Jordan is a transgender teen. Getting health care at PPSNE was the first time Jordan felt truly seen and respected as a person by a health care provider.
- » Derek is a participant in Youth at Work. He has attended PPSNE's workshops on safer sex and healthy relationships. This was the first time Derek received reproductive health information that is relevant and meaningful for his life. Now Derek is making better decisions and is excited about what lies ahead.

**Thanks to you, we have been able to use our organization's strengths to win important legislative victories in Connecticut and Rhode Island. These victories protect reproductive rights and health for the people and communities who are counting on us.** These are challenging times. We all know what is at stake for women and their families. As we go to press, the next wave of policies and regulations that will threaten our patients' access to health care is coming out of the Trump-Pence administration.

We are increasing our efforts to protect reproductive rights and health for those we serve. You are a vital partner in helping us achieve our vision of a world where all people can access the care they need, no matter who they are or where they live. Together, we can continue to build on our accomplishments. We can achieve a world where all people have the opportunity to choose their own path to a healthy and meaningful life.

On behalf of all of us at PPSNE, thank you for your ongoing support and steadfast dedication to our mission.

In solidarity,

  
Amanda Skinner  
President & CEO

  
Gayle Capozzalo  
Board Chair



Amanda Skinner (left) and Gayle Capozzalo

# Building a Movement That Matters

Last year, donors like you supported activism through organizing programs and protests. Because of you, we brought together thousands of people across Connecticut and Rhode Island to fight against the threats to reproductive health and rights. **Across southern New England, PPSNE trained an unstoppable force, which will fight for true reproductive freedom for our patients and communities in the important elections ahead.** At the capitol in Hartford, CT, volunteers like Sally,

who shares her story below, helped pass a state law, which spelled out in the law the 10 essential benefits for health insurance plans. This means that maternity care and preventive services, like birth control, are covered at no cost to the patient. In Rhode Island, activists continued to fight to pass the Reproductive Health Care Act (RHCA), which would legalize the right to abortion at the state level in Rhode Island, in case anything happens to *Roe v. Wade*. The fight continues!



## HEAR ABOUT SALLY'S IMPACT, THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT...

Volunteers like Sally made the choice to participate in our Path to Power organizing training. She developed the skills to share her story that will motivate people to take action across the state.

**As a result, she felt empowered and made the commitment to testify in person at the Capitol, speak at press conferences and go to lawmakers' offices to tell her story and help change CT state law.** Sally is an effective and powerful volunteer leader at PPSNE.

Now, she is a compelling storyteller and here is her story:

“Thankfully, I was told about Husky A. I had complications throughout my entire pregnancy and went into pre-term labor at 28 weeks. Doctors were successfully able to stop the contractions and I ended up carrying my son to full term. Every time cuts to Medicaid are brought up, I think back to that conversation with my doctor and how, if I wasn’t covered under Husky A, I wouldn’t have gone to the hospital when I started noticing contractions, and the outcome of my pregnancy could have been very different. I attribute the fact that I had a healthy child to my Husky A coverage.”

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## EMERGING LEADERS

The Generation Action Internship program brings together 29 young leaders from across Connecticut and Rhode Island to organize, mobilize, and activate their communities and their campuses to create the world they want and *need*. Here are some of the issues they've worked on in this past year. These issues overlap with reproductive health and rights:

- » Immigrant rights
- » Disability justice
- » Racial justice
- » LGBTQ+ justice

These young people have committed to sharing their passion and talent with Planned Parenthood. We are able to support them in their growth as grassroots organizers and advocates. Training includes strategy building, and access to a network of change-makers in our states and across the country.

**They understand that abortion rights, birth control, and access to full reproductive health care stretch far outside the walls of PPSNE health centers.**

Our patients need us to fight beside them for the world our communities need to truly thrive.

Generation Action interns celebrate Pride, register people to vote and get them to pledge to vote on November 6.



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GENERATION  
ACTION  
INTERNS  
ORGANIZED,  
MOBILIZED  
AND ACTIVATED  
THEIR COMMUNITIES  
AND CAMPUSES

# Empowering Our Next Generation



## HEAR JANE'S STORY OF YOUR IMPACT...

“Last year I was tapped by the principal of the high school where I work to teach a health curriculum dealing with relationships, birth control, sexually transmitted infections and condoms. It had been a long time since I studied these subjects as part of my schooling and I felt ill-equipped to do so. I needed to brush up on my skills and all of my teacher friends said Planned Parenthood. I attended a multi-day training offered by PPSNE where I was able to reflect on my own values around sex and sexuality and learned strategies to ensure my values didn't show up in the classroom as I taught. I was given the most up-to-date information on contraception and the most teen-friendly methods. We learned about sexually

transmitted infections, consent, healthy and unhealthy relationships, sexual decision-making, gender identity and sexual orientation. I was reminded of the importance of creating a safe space for all learners and to ensure that my language was inclusive and was not gendered or heterosexist.

**After attending the training at PPSNE, I felt so prepared and was really excited to teach the 130 students in the five freshman seminar health classes.** I also learned that PPSNE supports parents and caregivers by providing skill building on how to be better sex educators to their children. After PPSNE also came into my school to facilitate a *Real Life. Real Talk.* program, the parents and caregivers expressed that they felt more equipped and comfortable about speaking to their children and supporting what would be discussed in school.”

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**338** youth-serving professionals reached **over 10,000** young people in schools and community organizations.

» **90** STUDENTS TEACHING ABOUT RESPONSIBLE SEXUALITY (STARS) TEEN PEER EDUCATORS

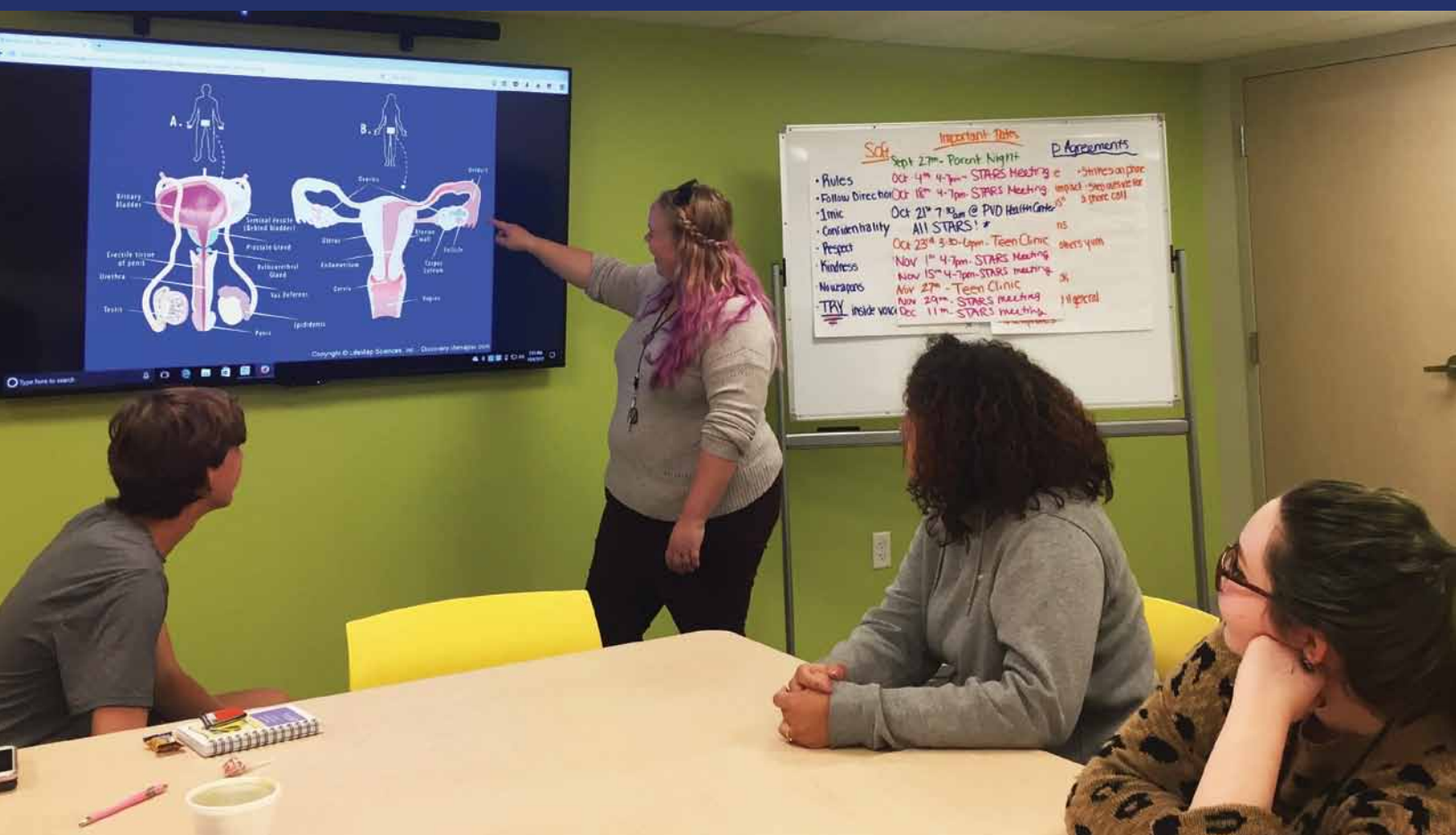
» **9** EDUCATION & TRAINING STAFF MEMBERS

» **417** TRAININGS DELIVERED

» **15,445** STUDENTS REACHED

» **1** MISSION. THANKS TO YOU.

The Education Center in Providence holds more trainings, educational programs and community meetings than ever before.



**90** PPSNE STARS initiated  
**14,866** contacts with peers  
and classmates.



# Providing Quality Care Today, Researching Solutions for Tomorrow

## PATIENT CARE



Our patients come to us with different backgrounds, life experiences and needs. **They want help with their health needs, at a time that is convenient for them.** We take the time to care for all our patients' needs. New patients come to us for birth control, STD testing, and cancer screenings.

## HEAR FROM OUR PATIENTS, THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY...

One long-term patient told us this: "I love that I am able to get in and out...and at the same time not feel as if I am being rushed or that no one cares for my health concerns. The staff is exceedingly efficient and makes you feel as if you personally are their number one priority. This is why I have returned time and time again and also why I have personally told others of my amazing experiences with Planned Parenthood."



## PrEP SERVICES

PPSNE now offers pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for HIV at CT and RI health centers. PrEP is a pill for someone who does not have HIV, but is at high risk for getting HIV. They take the pill once a day to help prevent HIV infection. **Last year, nearly 300 patients got PrEP services to help protect them from getting HIV.**

Many people who could benefit from PrEP believe that it is not available to them. With the support of a grant through PPFA and Gilead, we created a new position called PrEP Navigator. **The Navigator has helped more than 90 people get financial help that has allowed them to start PrEP at no cost.**

One young man who did not believe that he could get PrEP told us his story:

"The staff were great at answering my questions and helping me sign up for the copay program. My copay was \$700 and the copay card made a huge difference for me. I would not have been able to get PrEP otherwise."

Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis, more commonly called **PrEP**, is a prescription medicine that can **lower your risk** of becoming infected with HIV.

Talk to your provider today to find out if **PrEP** is right for you!







## PRIMARY CARE

PPSNE offers primary care in our Hartford and Stamford centers. Here are the most common primary care conditions we diagnose and treat:

- » Diabetes
- » Hypertension (high blood pressure)
- » Depression
- » Anxiety

A new position, Patient Care Specialist (PCS), coordinates all of a patient's care and builds relationships with other medical providers and community organizations. This helps us provide better referrals and ensures all patients can access all the care they need. The PCS also works directly with our patients and their care team to develop nutrition, weight loss, and lifestyle goals that are right for them.

## WE OFFER LIFE SAVING SERVICES, THANKS TO YOU...



The staff at the Judy Tabar Health Center provides high-quality health care services which are improving overall health outcomes in the Hartford community.

Next up: the Providence health center will be offering Primary Care services in the coming year.

In December, the Hartford North center was nationally recognized for providing patient centered care and ensuring our centers work best for patients, families, and communities. To get this award, the Planetree Bronze Level certification, we had to meet rigorous standards in the following areas:

- » Patient and family engagement
- » Patients and families working together to transform how we deliver care
- » Compassionate and empathetic care delivery
- » Maintaining a supportive work culture.

**The Level 3 Patient Centered Medical Home and Planetree designation recognizes that PPSNE works in collaboration with local health care networks and helps support healthy communities in the Hartford area.** This recognition led to PPSNE's recent inclusion in the newly forming North Hartford Triple Aim Community.



## CLINICAL RESEARCH

PPSNE began participating in clinical research studies in 2010. Since then, we have participated in 39 research studies. These range from working with industry partners on how to best do certain laboratory tests, to working with foundations and academic researchers. Here are some examples of the work we do:

- » Studies of new laboratory testing for sexually transmitted infections.
  - » Improved ways to detect high-risk strains of HPV.
  - » Testing a topical cream that will work to decrease a woman's risk of getting chlamydia (cla-MID-ee-yuh), which is a sexually transmitted infection (STI).
  - » We work together on innovative projects like giving PrEP to high risk women coming out of correctional care.
- PrEP, or pre-exposure prophylaxis, is a daily drug given to someone at high risk of getting HIV.
- » We provide a brief intervention to help college-age women who are at risk of harmful outcomes from binge drinking. We provide this care in our Planned Parenthood health centers.

PPSNE's research program is the second largest in all of Planned Parenthood.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD OF SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

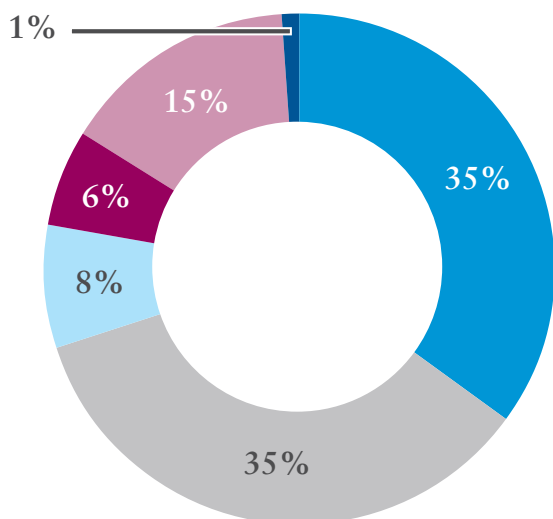
SERVING THE COMMUNITY FOR 95 YEARS

1923 TO 2018 AND BEYOND!



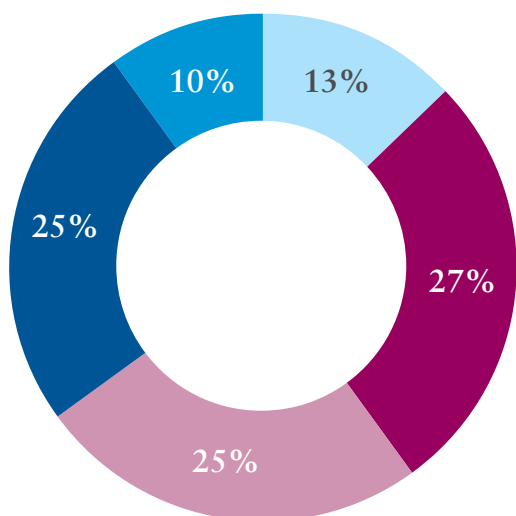
# Your Generosity in Action!

## SERVICES



Contraceptive Services.....	62,337
STD Screening.....	62,816
Cancer Screening & Preventative Services.....	14,014
Abortions.....	11,030
Other Reproductive Health Services.....	26,482
Primary Care Services.....	1,639
<b>Total services.....</b>	<b>178,318</b>

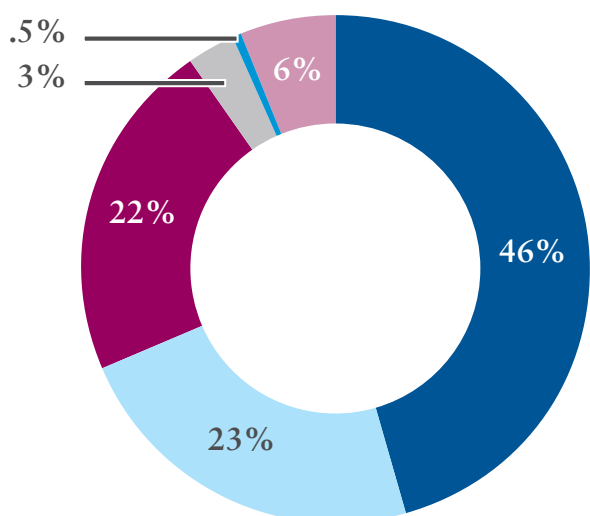
## PATIENT DEMOGRAPHICS



Under 20 years old.....	9,781
20-24 years old.....	20,134
25-29 years old.....	18,584
30-39 years old.....	18,669
40 years old.....	7,721
<b>Total patients.....</b>	<b>74,889</b>

Total visits.....120,768

*13% of patients identify as male.*



Caucasian/White.....	34,633
African American/Black.....	16,852
Latinx/Hispanic.....	16,578
Asian/Pacific Islander.....	2,049
Native American.....	366
Other.....	4,329
Unknown.....	82
<b>Total patients.....</b>	<b>74,889</b>

# Financials

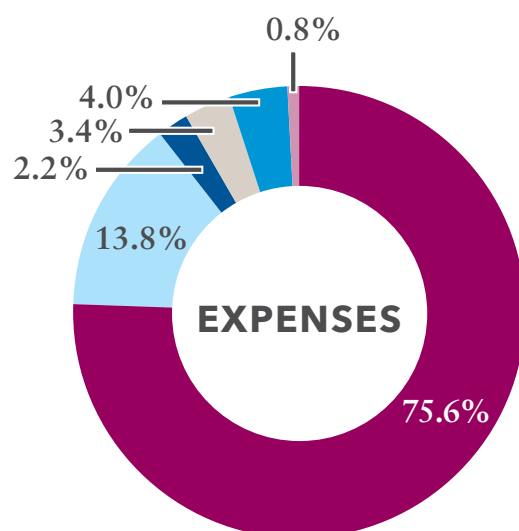
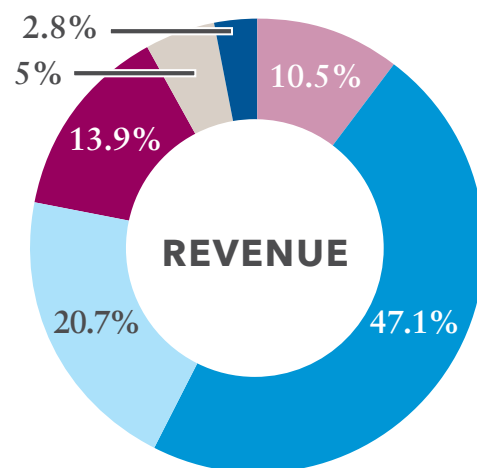
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2018

REVENUE	FY 2018	FY 2017
Private Patient Fees	4,084,118	3,144,080
Third Party Insurers	18,387,084	17,613,729
Contributions (Annual and Campaign)	8,085,939	10,600,716
Government Grants	5,412,841	4,969,231
Education, Research and Other Grants	1,943,615	2,809,373
Endowment Investments Net Gain	1,091,549	982,583
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 39,005,146</b>	<b>\$40,119,712</b>

EXPENSES		
Medical Services	26,328,224	23,933,789
Administration	4,811,051	4,870,647
Education	769,506	769,506
Public Affairs	1,195,582	882,504
Fundraising	1,409,188	1,507,383
Loss on Disposal of Fixed Assets	292,837	—
— PPFA Dues	—	257,833
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 34,806,388</b>	<b>\$32,221,662</b>

FY 18 Net Gain	\$4,198,758
FY 18 Operating Surplus <sup>1</sup>	\$2,741,958

ASSETS		
Long Term	24,332,415	22,749,236
Current	23,673,313	21,062,033
Liabilities	3,847,529	3,851,828
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 44,158,199</b>	<b>\$39,959,441</b>



<sup>1</sup> Operating surplus excludes MGC Contributions and net gain on investments



# We ♥ Our Volunteers!

This year we saw an immense investment of time and energy from over 2,000 volunteers

## 1,264

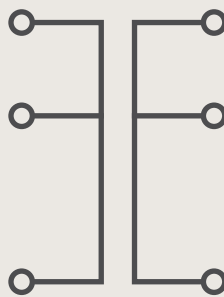
### Volunteers and Supporters Took Action Across CT and RI



Rallied

Testified

Called their elected officials to ensure our laws are protected



Canvassed

Phone banked

Shared their story to demonstrate the impact of Planned Parenthood



## 192

Event  
Volunteers

- Planned
- Hosted
- Raised funds to support the mission of PPSNE



## 300

Health Center  
Volunteers

- Welcomed
- Escorted
- Greeted and supported our patients in the health center



# Because of You...

THANK YOU FOR BELIEVING IN A HEALTHIER TOMORROW. Your generous support of the PPSNE Building Futures Campaign has made a lasting positive impact on communities across Rhode Island and Connecticut. Together we have launched innovative models of care, expanded educational services and organized youth to unite around reproductive equity and justice. Come visit us at one of our six new health centers and see the change you made in the community.



THANK YOU FOR BEING A VISIONARY AND INVESTING IN THE FUTURE.



Providence Health Center

- Because of you, the STARS program has expanded to 6 cities and engages more than 15,000 youths a year through peer-to-peer work.
- Because of you, PPSNE has taken an innovative lead into primary care and continues to reduce wait times in all of our health centers.
- Because of you, PPSNE is more financially secure with a growing endowment to safeguard health care for decades to come.
- Because of you, our communities are healthier, our communities have a louder voice and our communities have somewhere to turn when in need.

# Our Leadership

## OFFICERS, 2017 - 2018

Gayle Capozzalo, *Chair*  
Frances Padilla, *Vice Chair*  
Karen Dubois-Walton, PhD<sup>^</sup>, *Secretary*  
Leigh Bonney<sup>^</sup>, *Treasurer*  
Brett Smiley, *Assistant Treasurer*

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 2017 - 2018

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Amanda Skinner, *President & CEO*  
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Marjorie Wren, *Vice President of Development*  
Susan Lloyd Yolen, *Vice President of Public Policy & Advocacy*

<sup>^</sup> Retired from Office or Board of Directors in May 2018.

In May 2018, we welcomed new officers Tekisha Everette, PhD as Secretary, Brett Smiley as Treasurer, and Melissa Davis, MD as Assistant Treasurer and new members to the PPSNE Board of Directors: William J. Aseltyne, Doree Goodman, Theresa Hopkins-Staton, Sheila Mossman and Babz Rawls Ivy.

In September 2018, we welcomed to our staff Willa Marth, MAT, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer.

# Our Mission and Vision



## MISSION

The mission of Planned Parenthood of Southern New England is to protect the fundamental right of all individuals to manage their own fertility and sexual health and to ensure access to the services, education and information to realize that right.

## VISION

Our vision is a world of equity: a world where sexual and reproductive rights are basic human rights, where access to health care doesn't depend on who you are or where you live, and where every person has the opportunity to choose their own path to a healthy and meaningful life.

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