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U.S. DHHS Overview

See AH in DHHS Part 1 for overview of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and for resources from:

- HRSA / Maternal and Child Health Bureau
- CDC / Division of Adolescent and School Health
- OASH / Office of Adolescent Health

The following resource compilation is alphabetical by topic, and includes resources within DHHS agencies focused on adolescent health/issues, as well as related initiatives, programs, and resources within those agencies.

The type of resource included below is noted as:

- A = agency, center or division within DHHS
- I = initiative or program within a DHHS agency
- R = DHHS agency funded tool, publication, or other print resource*

For each resource, the parent DHHS agency noted following the resource title (the resource may be several divisions/departments into the agency, however for simplicity, only the overall parent agency is noted, i.e. the agencies appearing on the DHHS organizational chart on page 2).

Although this list is not all-inclusive of the many places in federal government where health issues affecting adolescents are addressed, it certainly demonstrates the extensive array of federally funded efforts addressing critical adolescent health issues.

Adolescent Health & Development	
<p>Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development / NIH www.nichd.nih.gov/ Established investigate the broad aspects of human development as a means of understanding developmental disabilities, including intellectual and developmental disabilities, and the events that occur during pregnancy. Today, the Institute conducts and supports research on all stages of human development, from preconception to adulthood.</p>	A
Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs	
<p>National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) / NIH www.nida.nih.gov/ NIDA's mission is to lead the Nation in bringing the power of science to bear on drug abuse and addiction. This charge has two critical components. The first is the strategic support and conduct of research across a broad range of disciplines. The second is ensuring the rapid and effective dissemination and use of the results of that research to significantly improve prevention and treatment and to inform policy as it relates to drug abuse and addiction.</p>	A
<p>National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) / NIH www.niaaa.nih.gov/ The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) is one of the 27 institutes and centers</p>	A

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<p>that comprise the National Institutes of Health (NIH). NIAAA supports and conducts research on the impact of alcohol use on human health and well-being. It is the largest funder of alcohol research in the world.</p>	
<p>Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) / SAMHSA http://www.samhsa.gov/about-us/who-we-are/offices-centers/csap CSAP provides national leadership in the Federal effort to prevent alcohol, tobacco, and drug problems. To help Americans lead healthier and longer lives, CSAP promotes a structured, community-based approach to substance abuse prevention through the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF). The framework aims to promote youth development, reduce risk-taking behaviors, build assets and resilience, and prevent problem behaviors across the individual's life span. This approach provides information and tools that can be used by States and communities to build an effective and sustainable prevention infrastructure.</p>	A
<p>Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) / SAMHSA http://www.samhsa.gov/about-us/who-we-are/offices-centers/csat CMHS pursues its mission by helping states improve and increase the quality and range of their treatment, rehabilitation, and support services for people with mental illness, their families, and communities. Further, it encourages a range of programs-such as systems of care-to respond to the increasing number of mental, emotional, and behavioral problems among America's children. CMHS supports outreach and case management programs for the thousands of Americans with severe mental illness who are homeless and supports the development and adoption of "models" for improving services.</p>	A
<p>Communities that Care Youth Survey / SAMHSA http://store.samhsa.gov/product/Communities-That-Care-Youth-Survey/CTC020 CTC is a system developed by J. David Hawkins and Richard F. Catalano that empowers communities to use advances from prevention science to guide their prevention efforts, especially for youth programs. SAMHSA has full copy rights to these materials and tools. Anyone can download them from CSAP's website and use them in implementing substance abuse prevention programs. The CTC Youth Survey measures the incidence and prevalence of substance use, delinquency, and related problem behaviors and the risk and protective factors that predict those problems in communities.</p>	R
<p>Stop Underage Drinking / SAMHSA www.stopalcoholabuse.gov A comprehensive portal of Federal resources for information on underage drinking and ideas for combating this issue.</p>	I
<p>Too Smart To Start / SAMHSA www.toosmarttostart.samhsa.gov A website to support youth, families, educators, and communities in responding to <i>The Surgeon General's Call to Action To Prevent and Reduce Underage Drinking</i>. Includes programs and strategies, downloadable materials, interactive games and exercises, and other resources.</p>	I

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<p>Drug Free Communities Support Program / SAMHSA http://www.whitehouse.gov/ondcp/Drug-Free-Communities-Support-Program The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) directs the Drug Free Communities (DFC) Support Program in partnership with the SAMHSA. The program provides funding to community-based coalitions that organize to prevent youth substance use. Since the passage of the DFC Act in 1997, the DFC program has funded nearly 2,000 coalitions and currently mobilizes nearly 9,000 community volunteers across the country.</p>	<p>I</p>
<p>Fatherhood</p>	
<p>National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse / ACF https://www.fatherhood.gov/ Initiative to promote responsible fatherhood by funding programs that support healthy marriage activities, promote responsible parenting, and foster economic stability.</p>	<p>I</p>
<p>Foster Care Youth</p>	
<p>Children's Bureau / ACF www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/ The Children's Bureau works with State and local agencies to develop programs that focus on preventing the abuse of children in troubled families, protecting children from abuse, and finding permanent placements for those who cannot safely return to their homes.</p>	<p>A</p>
<p>Health Care</p>	
<p>Office of Health Policy (OHP) / ASPE https://aspe.hhs.gov/office-health-policy-hp OHP provides a cross-cutting policy perspective that bridges Departmental programs, public and private sector activities, and the research community, in order to develop, analyze, coordinate and provide leadership on health policy issues for the Secretary. HP carries out this mission by conducting policy, economic and budget analyses, assisting in the development and review of regulations, assisting in the development and formulation of budgets and legislation, assisting in survey design efforts, as well as conducting and coordinating research, evaluation, and information dissemination on issues relating to health policy.</p>	<p>A</p>
<p>Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) www.cms.hhs.gov/ Administers Medicare, Medicaid, and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (S-CHIP), and develops and tracks health care regulations and guidance, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).</p>	<p>A</p>
<p>U.S. Preventive Services Task Force / AHRQ http://www.ahrq.gov/professionals/clinicians-providers/guidelines-recommendations/uspstf/index.html Created in 1984, the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF or Task Force) is an independent group of national experts in prevention and evidence-based medicine that works to improve the health of all Americans by making evidence-based recommendations about clinical preventive services such as screenings, counseling services, or preventive medications. The USPSTF is made up of 16 volunteer</p>	<p>I</p>

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members who come from the fields of preventive medicine and primary care, including internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics, behavioral health, obstetrics/gynecology, and nursing. All members volunteer their time to serve on the USPSTF, and most are practicing clinicians.	
<p>National Guideline Clearinghouse / AHRQ www.guideline.gov NGC was originally created by AHRQ in partnership with the American Medical Association and the American Association of Health Plans (now America's Health Insurance Plans [AHIP]). The NGC mission is to provide physicians and other health professionals, health care providers, health plans, integrated delivery systems, purchasers, and others an accessible mechanism for obtaining objective, detailed information on clinical practice guidelines and to further their dissemination, implementation, and use.</p>	I
HIV/AIDS	
<p>National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD and TB Prevention (NCHSTBP) / CDC http://www.cdc.gov/nchstp/od/nchstp.html</p>	A
Homeless Youth	
<p>Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs / ACF http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/fysb/programs/runaway-homeless-youth Programs for homeless and runaway youth, mentoring children of prisoners program, and maternity group homes for pregnancy and parenting youth. Program resources include: National Clearinghouse on Families and Youth; National Runaway Switchboard; information management and technical assistance on runaway youth; and the National Resource Center for Youth Services.</p>	I, R
<p>Runaway/Homeless Youth and Relationship Violence Toolkit / ACF http://www.nrcdv.org/rhydvt toolkit/ A resource kit from the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence.</p>	R
Injury & Violence	
<p>Family Violence Prevention and Services / ACF http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/fysb/content/programs/fv.htm</p>	A
<p>Children's Bureau / ACF www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/ Works with State and local agencies to develop programs that focus on preventing the abuse of children in troubled families, protecting children from abuse, and finding permanent placements for those who cannot safely return to their homes.</p>	A
<p>Safe Schools, Healthy Students Initiative / SAMHSA http://www.samhsa.gov/safe-schools-healthy-students The SS/HS Initiative is a unique Federal grant-making program designed to prevent violence and substance abuse among our Nation's youth, schools, and communities. Collaborative program supported by: U.S. Departments of Education, Health and Human Services, and Justice.</p>	I

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<p>National Healthy Marriage Resource Center (NHMRC) / ACF http://www.healthymarriageinfo.org/ NHMRC is a clearinghouse for high quality, balanced, and timely information and resources on healthy marriage. With support from the ACF Office of Family Assistance, Annie E. Casey Foundation, Johnson Foundation, Kohler Foundation, the WinShape Foundation, and others, the NHMRC helps those who want to learn more about healthy relationships, marriage, and marriage education.</p>	I,R
Mental Health	
<p>National Institute of Mental Health / NIH www.nimh.nih.gov</p>	A
Minority Health & Disparities	
<p>National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities / NIH http://ncmhd.nih.gov</p>	A
Poverty	
<p>Office of Family Assistance (OFA) / ACF http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ofa/ OFA administers the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) programs.</p>	A
<p>Office of Community Services (OCS) / ACF http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/ OCS works in partnership with states, communities, and other agencies to provide a range of human and economic development services and activities which ameliorate the causes and characteristics of poverty and otherwise assist persons in need.</p>	A
Sexual Health	
<p>Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Grant Programs / ACF http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/fysb/programs/adolescent-pregnancy-prevention The Administration for Children and Families administers state formula grants to educate youth between the ages of 10 and 19 on both abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV/AIDS. Grant programs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) • Tribal Personal Responsibility Education Program • Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) Competitive Grants under the Affordable Care Act • Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies Program (PREIS) • Title V State Abstinence Education Grant Program (AEGP) • Competitive Abstinence Education Grant Program (CAE) 	I
Suicide	
<p>National Suicide Prevention Lifeline / SAMHSA http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/</p>	I

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Teen Parents	
Maternity Group Homes for Pregnant and Parenting Youth / ACYF http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/fysb/resource/mgh-fact-sheet	I
Youth Development	
Positive Youth Development Online Training / ACF http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/fysb/resource/pyd-online-training This online training for family and youth services professionals provides an introduction to Positive Youth Development concepts and practices.	R
National Clearinghouse on Families and Youth / ACF www.ncfy.com/	R