

Planned Parenthood of Greater New York (PPGNY)



Presentation for the Community Foundation of Tompkins County

Overview

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- Who We Serve
- Community Engagement & External Affairs
- Post-Roe Abortion Access in NY and Beyond
- Q&A

About PPGNY

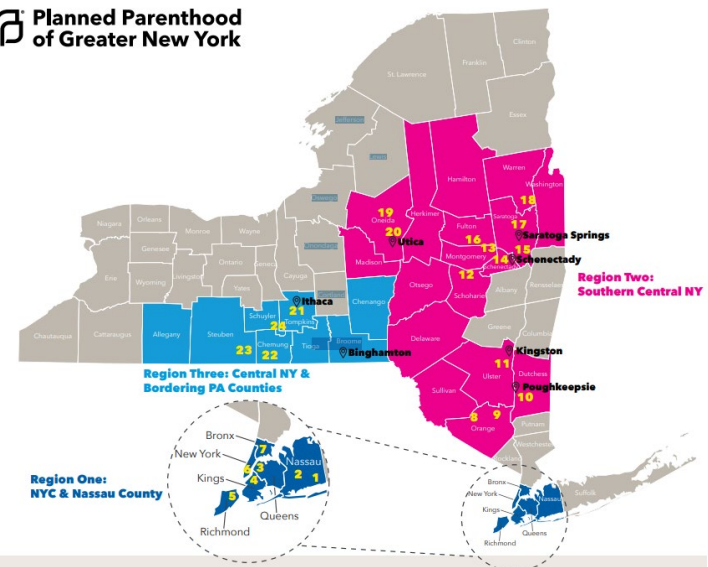
Our Mission

PPGNY is a leading provider of sexual and reproductive health services and information, a fierce advocate, and a committed partner to advance equity and improve health outcomes for all.

- In 2020, merged with 4 affiliates to create PPGNY
- 23 health centers, located across 3 regions; Formerly PPSFL (Ithaca, Corning & Elmira), formerly PPTC (Ithaca) **NOW** PPGNY, Region 3 or SFL legacy!
- Serving 65% of NY population's sexual and reproductive health care needs
- Joy D. Calloway, Interim President & CEO



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PPGNY: Reviving Radical

Reviving Radical provides an organizational approach to listening, learning and transforming relationships within communities of color, and strives to center accountability for how PPGNY shows up with and within communities of color. **Reviving Radical and the community mandates resulting from it have influenced all the work we do in education, training, community engagement, and beyond.**

CORE GOALS:

- Acknowledging the impact of our organization's legacy within communities of color
- Identifying measurable action steps that arise from the community discussions
- Implementing and reporting on actions steps taken to be accountable to communities of color in our health services, programs and organizational practices
- Committing to continued restorative practice and transformation in the communities of color we serve

Services and Programs in Tompkins County

Clinical Services

- Comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care at the Ithaca health center

Education & Training

- Medically accurate sex education for youth
- Teen Council
- Training for professionals

Community Engagement

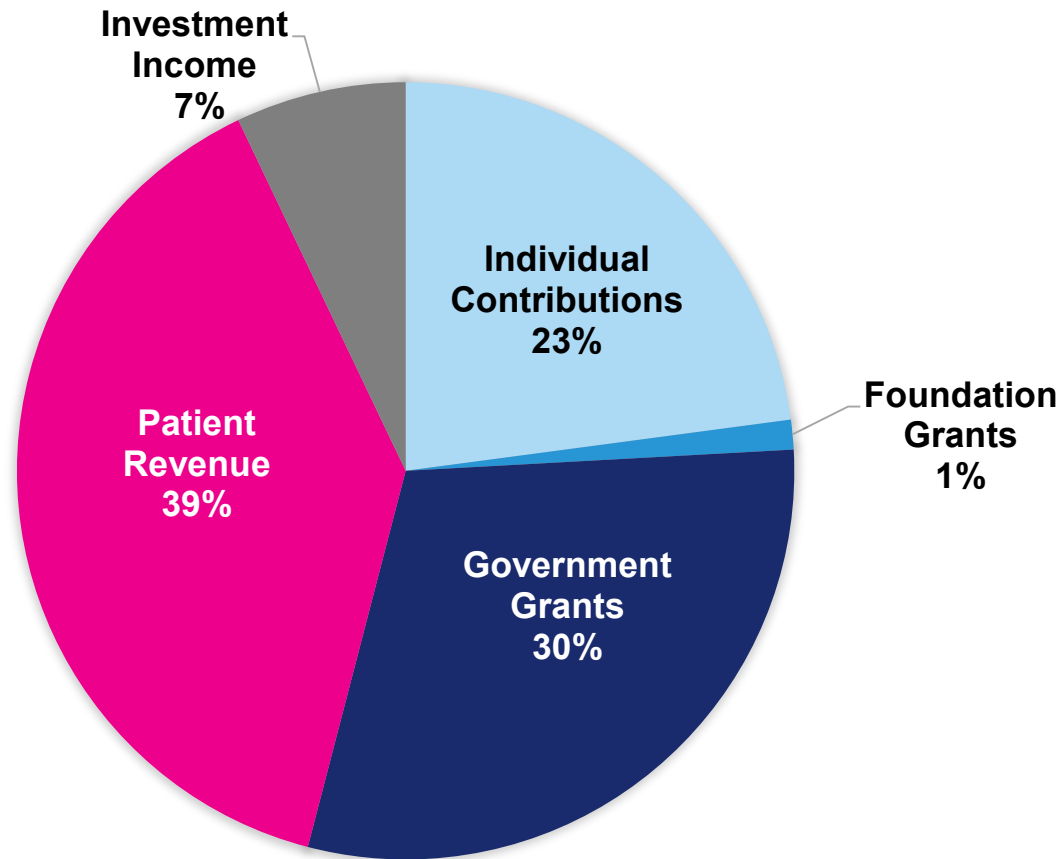
- Programs to build strong relationships with our communities and link individuals to PPGNY's services

External Affairs

- Community organizing and policy advocacy to promote reproductive rights and justice

How We Fund Our Work

Fiscal Year 2021 (July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021)



Clinical Services

- Abortion (in-clinic and medication)
- Birth Control
- Breast exams
- Cervical cancer screening
- Emergency contraception
- Gynecological care
- HIV testing
- HPV vaccine
- Menopausal hormone therapy
- Pregnancy testing and options counseling
- STI testing and treatment
- Transgender hormone therapy



PPGNY Telehealth Services

PPDirect: App that allows users to access birth control (the pill, patch, and ring) and UTI treatment using their smartphones.

PPConnect: our telehealth platform launched in response to COVID-19, which offers video or telephonic visits for services such as birth control, emergency contraception, and transgender hormone therapy.

Clinical Services

Ithaca Health Center, July 2021 to June 2022

Visit Type	Number of Visits	% of Visits
Sexual and Reproductive Health/Family Planning	4,854	68%
Special Services	727	10%
Gender Affirming Care	602	8%
Medication Abortion	307	4%
Medication Abortion Follow-up	164	2%
In-clinic Abortion	263	4%
Telehealth visits	204	3%
TOTAL	7,121	100%

Clinical Services

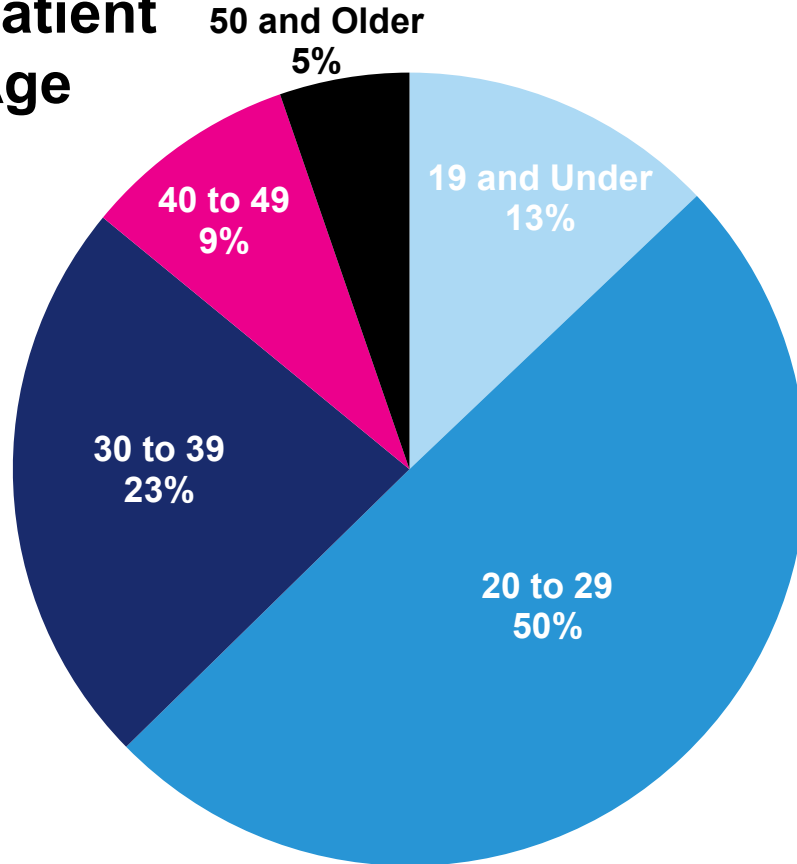
"I'm so grateful to have this facility available to me and my family/friends. The employees at Ithaca Planned Parenthood truly are amazing and I don't feel comfortable with any other facilities when it comes to personal stuff. Sometimes I am embarrassed when I go to other doctors, but at Planned Parenthood that doesn't happen... Without them, my life would be completely different, and not in a good way. Thank you so much for not making me feel bad about myself and never making me feel uncomfortable."

- Ithaca Health Center patient, 2021

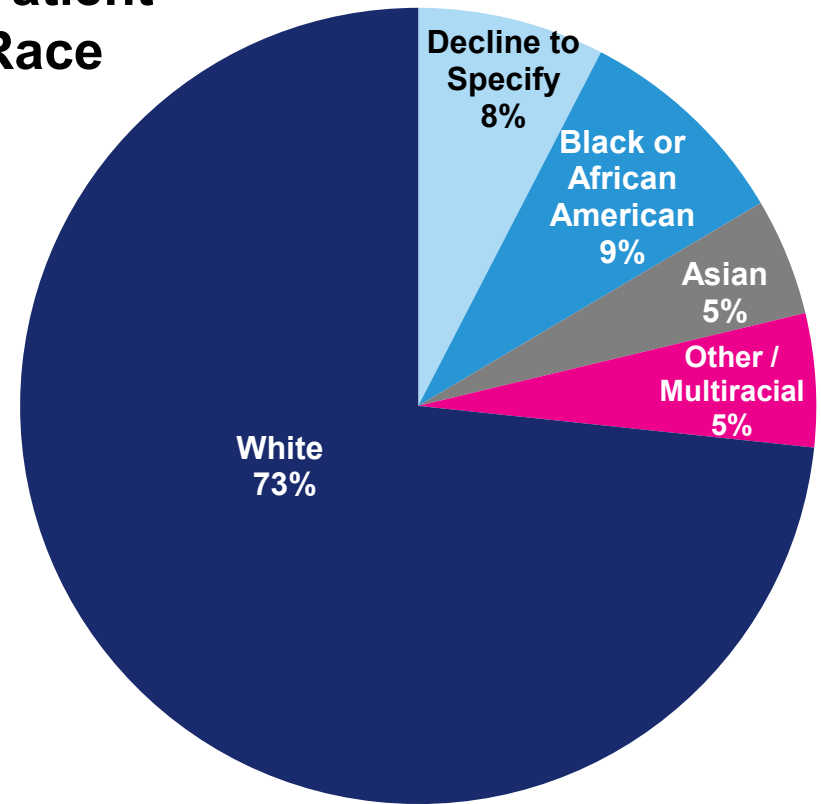
Clinical Services

Ithaca Health Center, July 2021 to June 2022

Patient Age



Patient Race



3% of patients identified their ethnicity as Hispanic or Latino.

Education & Training

- Southern Finger Lakes region: evidence-based sex education for youth
- Statewide (virtual): Training Institute workshops on sexual and reproductive health topics for professionals (educators, health care providers, social workers, youth workers, etc.)



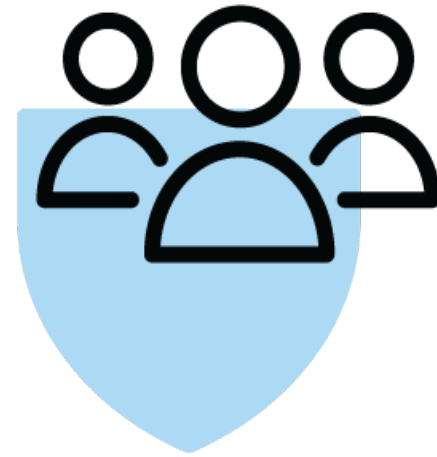
Education & Training

- **Ithaca: Teen Council**
 - Peer education program that empowers teens to be sexual and reproductive health advocates
 - Participants learn how to present on topics such as pregnancy prevention and birth control, STI prevention, healthy relationships, and consent.
 - Teen Council presents SRH education in classrooms throughout Tompkins County



Community Engagement

- Out For Health
 - Outreach, education, support, connection to services, and advocacy about the importance of LGBTQ+ inclusivity in care and education. Ithaca Youth Group
 - Best practices developed in Ithaca and shared across PPGNY
 - Assist patients with making appointments, signing up for insurance, accessing gender-affirming care, and more



External Affairs

- **Mobilizing Communities:**
 - Staff Organizer focused specifically on the Southern Finger Lakes Region
 - Recent events: Rallies in Ithaca to respond to reversal of *Roe v. Wade*
- **Planned Parenthood Generation Action (PPGA):**
 - College program for students engaging in reproductive rights organizing on their campuses
 - Chapters at Ithaca College, Cornell University, Binghamton University



External Affairs

- **Policy Advocacy:**

- Partnering with elected officials to advance policies that advance reproductive rights for our communities.
- Current policy agenda includes:
 - A state bill that would mandate comprehensive sex education in all K-12 public and charter schools
 - The Equality Amendment (a proposed amendment to the state constitution that would ban discrimination based on sex, gender, gender expression, pregnancy, and pregnancy outcomes)



Looking Forward: Post-Roe Abortion Access

- June 24th, 2022 SCOTUS overturned *Roe v. Wade*
- 10 states have partial or full bans on abortion - other states no access (Guttmacher), 26 states are at Risk, 36 million people
- New York Reproductive Health Act of 2019: abortion remains safe, legal, and accessible in New York State
- Executive Order: attempts to safeguard access to medication abortion and emergency contraception, protect patient privacy, launch public education efforts as well as bolster the security of and the legal options available to those seeking and providing abortion services
- Ithaca Abortion Sanctuary City, GR using as roadmap in other cities, Saratoga Springs

What Does that mean for PPGNY

- We do anticipate a rise in out-of-state patients and have seen out-of-state patients in NYC health centers already, since SB8 Texas
- We have known this is coming and have been preparing by building out our referral networks, expanding care at our health centers and telehealth options. (multi-pronged approach)
- Our Corning Health Center began providing abortion services in March 2021 (close to PA, and Ohio which has a 6-week ban)

PPGNY Response

- **Designating Abortion Patient Navigators** to assist people who need to travel to New York from abortion-hostile states. PPGNY's Abortion Patient Navigator will be on hand to facilitate travel, lodging, and secure funding on behalf of patients
- **Increasing Telehealth Medication Abortion** to give people in the early stage of pregnancy the option to safely self-manage their abortion under the guidance of PPGNY's expert clinicians. Through telehealth medication abortion, a patient receives a virtual evaluation before picking up their abortion pills at the nearest PPGNY health center
- **Telehealth Medication Abortion services will be available at PPGNY starting this summer and will also be available for follow-up appointments**

PPGNY Response

- **Expanding Abortion Services** at health centers in Ithaca and Corning. This increases who we can see and will help mitigate unnecessary delays for people traveling to New York. (APC'S, increase in gestational age)
- **Patient Escort Program:** Training local volunteers to accompany patients to appointments at our health centers and provide support
- **Increased appointment availability** by 20% at all 23 health centers

How to support patients in crisis

- **Support Abortion Providers:** Planned Parenthood of Greater NY and other abortion providers in states still providing abortion
- **Donate to Abortion Funds:** New York Abortion Access Fund (**NYAAF**): provide funds for abortions
- **Give To Provide Travel Support: The Brigid Alliance:** a referral-based service that provides people seeking abortions with travel, food, lodging, childcare and other logistical support

Additional Resources

- [Guttmacher Institute | Good reproductive health policy starts with credible research](#)
- Abortionfunds.org How to find, contact, and donate to your local abortion fund - National Network of Abortion Funds
- [PPGNY Annual Report](#)
- <https://www.abortionfinder.org/>

Thank you.