



# Wisconsin RHPF

## Reproductive Health Family Planning Program

RHPF Triannual Newsletter

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## Highlights

- Program Update—Program overview and staff introductions
- Clinic Spotlight—Family planning during a pandemic
- Partner News—Introduction to the State Lab
- Clinical Corner—Practice changes and/or updates
- Data in Action—2019 Data overview

## Program Update

Welcome to the first edition of the RHPF newsletter! In our first edition, this section will give an overview of how the RHPF program is funded and staffed.

## Funding Streams

The RHPF Program is funded by three funding streams. Clinics are funded differently depending on which type of services they provide:

- **Comprehensive Service Sites** are funded by **all** of the following: Title X, General Purpose Revenue (GPR), and Title V (Maternal and Child Health)
- **Dual Protection Sites** are funded by Title V (Maternal and Child Health) **only**

## Who's Who—RHPF Team Members

### **Maren Holm, POSC, QPR Certified Instructor, Staff Development Specialist**

Maren develops and delivers training programs to DHS and partner staff. She also designs and publishes training documents, videos, webinars, and manuals for Department of Health Services (DHS) programs.

### **Emily Morian-Lozano, MPH, MSW, RHPF Epidemiologist**

Emily is responsible for ensuring reporting requirements are met for federal funders. She also assists with quality improvement/quality assurance (QI/QA) activities and creates data products using program data.

### **Karen Morris, BSN, RN, RHPF Nurse Consultant**

Karen is the contract administrator for all RHPF service providers. She also provides technical assistance, conducts mid-years, and identifies programmatic needs to support expansion.

## PURPOSE

The RHPF newsletters are designed to share project updates, resources, and data with RHPF-funded organizations as well as any community partners invested in reproductive health in Wisconsin.

## CLINIC SPOTLIGHT

This section will feature a different clinic in each edition, focusing on staff, accomplishments, and emerging practices.

In this edition we highlight **all the RHPF program clinics** as they continue to provide essential reproductive health and family planning services during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our RHPF team is so impressed with how clinic staff are assisting with COVID-19 response activities while still providing these essential services. This type of adaptive response demonstrates creativity, persistence, and passion. Thank you for all you do!



(Who's Who continued)

**Shuba Samuel, PhD, RN, FNP-BC, APNP, CEN, CNE, RHFP Advance Practice Nurse Prescriber**

Shuba is a nurse practitioner who will provide clinical services in Price County and participates in protocol development and quality improvement activities with the RHFP clinical team.

**Catherine Sendelbach, MS, CHES, Health Education Consultant**

Cathy provides technical assistance to the RHFP program and its partners and monitors contracts for the program's technical assistance vendor and state laboratory.

**Cynthia K. Wautlet, MD, MPH, RHFP Medical Director**

Cynthia collaborates and consults with the RHFP advance prescribing nurse practitioner (APNP) to address situations that may be outside the scope of practice or expertise. She also advises on program quality and informs the QA/QI committee of needed changes to ensure alignment with professional organization recommendations American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG). She provides guidance on implementation of evidence-based clinical practices and works with the RHFP team to develop and review reports on outcomes.

## Partner News

This section will contain an update from an RHFP program partner, such as the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH), Wisconsin Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) program, or Health Care Education and Training (HCET), who support critical functions needed to have a successful RHFP program.

In this edition we highlight the **Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH)**, the state's public health and environmental and occupational health laboratory. The WSLH collaborates with the RHFP program by providing STD and women's health testing (e.g., chlamydia, gonorrhea, pap tests). The WSLH also collaborates with health care training groups and clinicians to assure that our partners are up to date with the latest clinical laboratory testing information.

## Clinical Corner

This section will contain practice changes and/or updates with supporting citations and resource links by the RHFP clinical team to meet Wisconsin Statute and Title X requirements.

## Self Care

The [Wisconsin Alliance for Infant Mental Health](#) has many helpful suggestions for "**Self-Care During a Time of Compassionate Distancing**" such as *staying grounded* and *activities for grown-ups*. Please visit the above link for more information.



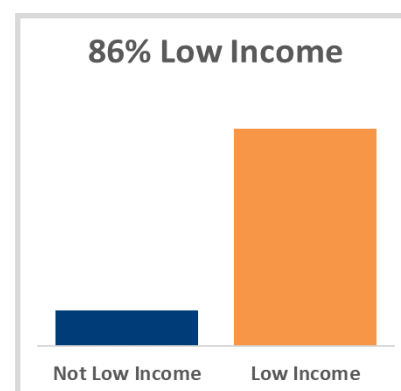
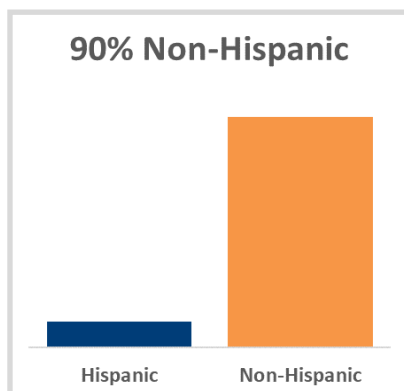
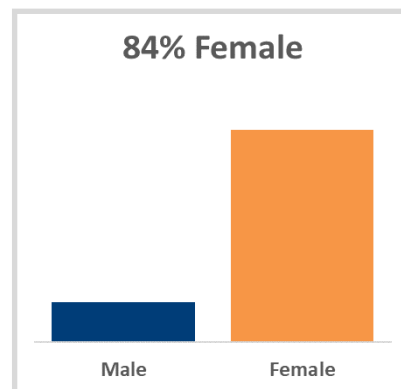
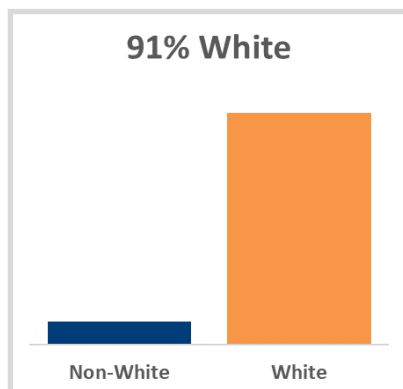


## Data in Action

- The RHFP Program funds:
  - ♦ **22** Local Health Departments and Community-Based Organizations, for a total of **39** Comprehensive Service Sites (full range of reproductive health services)
  - ♦ **9** Dual Protection Sites at Local Health Departments (pregnancy and STD testing, dual protection kits)
- **43 (60%)** of Wisconsin counties have at least one RHFP-funded clinic (see map)

### 2019 Quick Facts

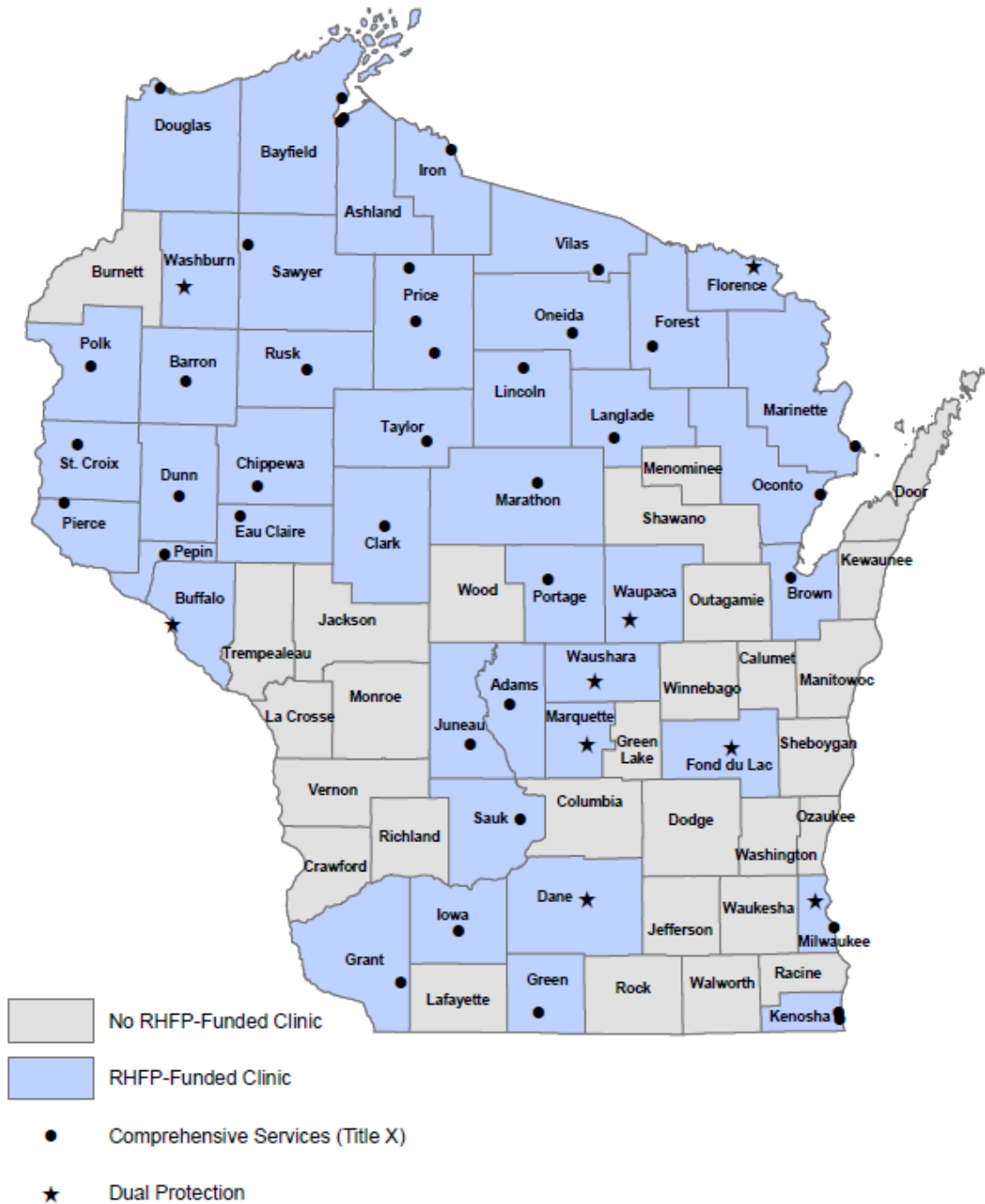
- In 2019, Comprehensive Service Sites provided family planning services to **10,663** people.
- Clients were mostly **white, female, non-Hispanic**, and **low income** (less than 250% Federal Poverty Level [FPL])\*.



\* among clients with race, ethnicity, or income reported



## Reproductive Health Family Planning Sites (2020)



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