

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES PROFILE 2023

WASHINGTON STATE SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH NETWORK

Grays Harbor County Public Health and Social Services (GHCPHSS) receives funding devoted solely to sexual and reproductive health and related preventive health services with a focus on low-income and uninsured persons. Funds support services such as breast and pelvic exams, Pap smears and other cancer screenings, STI/HIV testing, pregnancy testing and counseling, and affordable birth control, including long-acting reversible contraception (LARC). GHCPHSS works with Washington State Department of Health to assure quality and affordable sexual and reproductive health services at its clinic in Grays Harbor County.

In 2023, GHCPHSS served 646 clients during 1,069 clinic visits, representing a 3% increase in clients and a 3% increase in clinic visits from 2022. An estimated 95% of female clients of reproductive age served in 2023 were on some form of contraceptive method resulting in a lower risk of unintended pregnancy, unplanned births, and abortions.

GHCPHSS served 646 clients in 2023

	2023		2022	
	Count	% of total	Count	% of total
Total	646	100%	628	100%
Male	68	10%	47	7%
Female	578	90%	581	93%
Females of reproductive age (15-44)	547	85%	541	86%
Hispanic	247	39%	233	39%
Non Hispanic				
American Indian/Alaska Native	25	4%	18	3%
Asian	3	<1%	9	2%
Black or African American	10	2%	9	2%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islanders	2	<1%	1	<1%
White	327	52%	316	53%
More than one race	13	2%	9	2%
	2023		2022	
Female Reproductive Age Clients	Count	% of total	Count	% of total
No method	28	5%	34	6%
Combined hormonal methods	178	33%	159	29%
3-month hormonal injection	117	21%	137	25%
LARC	146	27%	147	27%
Barrier	36	7%	33	6%
Other methods	42	8%	31	6%

* No method includes female clients 15-44 years who were pregnant or seeking pregnancy and those who reported no method.

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Sexual & reproductive health services provided by GHCPHSS prevented an estimated* 110 unintended pregnancies and 40 abortions, and saved over \$500k in health care costs in 2023 alone

GHCPHSS’s sexual and reproductive health services averted unwanted reproductive health outcomes and saved healthcare-related expenses by providing contraceptive services, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, and vaccination against HPV to prevent cervical cancer. Most notably, in 2023 the agency’s services prevented an estimated 110 unintended pregnancies, 50 unplanned births, and 40 abortions resulting in net savings of over \$500,000 associated with maternal and birth-related care, miscarriages, ectopic pregnancies, and abortions averted.

Estimate of unwanted outcomes and health expenditures prevented by GHCPHSS family planning services, 2023

Unintended pregnancies	110
Unplanned births	50
Abortions	40
Miscarriages following unintended pregnancies prevented	20
Maternal & birth-related gross costs saved from contraceptive services	\$739,410
Miscarriage & ectopic pregnancy gross costs saved	\$23,490
Chlamydia infections	10
Gonorrhea infections	**
HIV Infections	**
Gross costs saved from STI testing	\$11,070
Gross costs saved from Pap and HPV testing & vaccinations	\$1,810
Total gross savings	\$775,780
Total family planning costs	\$178,520
Total net savings	\$597,260

**Estimates are based on Washington State sexual & reproductive health clinic visit record data and formulas from Guttmacher Institute (Frost JJ et al., Return on investment: A fuller assessment of the benefits and cost savings of the US publicly funded family planning program, The Milbank Quarterly, 2014, <<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/enhanced/doi/10.1111/1468-0009.12080>>.)*

*** Unable to report due to small numbers*

Data sources: (1) Washington State Clinic Visit Record data 2022, 2023; (2) Guttmacher Institute Data Center. Estimates retrieved from <https://data.guttmacher.org/calculator> on 03/04/2024

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