

# UNC Tracking Progress Over 30 Years: FOR HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH Region IV Network for Data Management and Utilization



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## **HISTORY and PURPOSE**

#### **RNDMU Data Network Established for Region IV States**

- State MCH Directors and Statistical Agencies with UNC-CH Maternal and Child Health Dept
- Minimal Set of Common Perinatal Indicators established in 1984
- SPRANS funding 1993 to 1990

#### Transition from MCH (Title V) to Family Planning (Title X) in 1990

- Project at risk of ending but for the vision and support of Title X Directors and OPA
- Additional indicators including Family Planning added in 1990
- · Women's Health indicators added in 1997
- · Latina Supplement and indicators added in 2003

#### **RNDMU Addresses High Rates of Infant Mortality and Disparity**

- · Infant Mortality: focus of Southern Governors' Taskforce
- · Family Planning: first step in prevention of high-risk pregnancies
- · Women's Health: general health status of women affects infant health

#### **RNDMU Adopts Preconception Health Focus**

- Collaboration with CDC Select Panel on Preconception Health
- RNDMU revised data framework in 2010

## DATA RATIONALE and DATABOOK

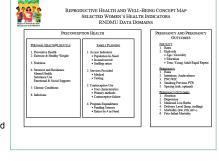
- Criteria for Data: Useful for program planning, assessment · Capacity of states to produce data
- **Organization:** · Most indicators by White and Black race · Latino ethnicity added if sufficient numbers
  - · FPAR: many tables by Age and Sex
- **Data Sources:** · State vital record data: birth, abortion, fetal death death
  - US Census population estimates
  - · State communicable disease reporting
  - · Program administrative files: Medicaid, WIC
  - Surveillance: PRAMS, BRFSS
  - · Grantee Family Planning Annual Report
  - · Region-specific estimates of Population In-Need
  - · 28 years of data for many indicators
  - Individual state rates

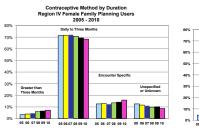
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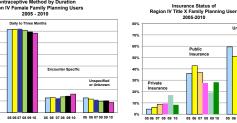
- · Regional rates and totals not available elsewhere
- · US rates for many indicators
- Availability: 11 years of data in printed Data Book and on website, www.shepscenter.unc.edu/data/RNDMU · Excel files of all years' data available on website for creating custom tables and charts

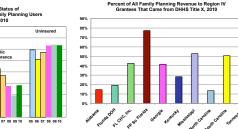
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#### Vital Record, Surveillance and Reportable Infections Data of Live Births by Adea

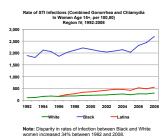
SELECTED INDICATORS

Family Planning Annual Report Data



Data Source for this chart: Special runs for RNDMU by the Guttmacher Institute

Workshops:



Note: Rates of Adequate or Adequate Plus care have been stable over the past decade for both Whites and Blacks. A 10% disparity between Whites and Blacks persists.

## **RNDMU ACTIVITIES**

Train state staff in perinatal program planning and evaluation issues

- Bring together state FP program leaders, statistical staff and MCH consultants •
- · Create logic models using RNDMU data to model key factors and outcomes such as
  - Trends in Number of Title X Users and Populations
  - Short Birth Interval
  - Adolescent Pregnancy and Repeat Pregnancy
- Medicaid Family Planning Waiver Evaluators Group Collaborations:
  - Everywoman Southeast

#### Future Directions: • Develop composite, analytic indictors that capture trends in disparity reduction

- · Expand website as a resource for perinatal health materials: data trends, reports
- Foster communications for Data-to-Policy decision-making by State and Federal partners
- Partner with Regions that share our commitment to data-informed FP programs