

History of Greene County Family Planning

1968

FDA approves intrauterine devices (IUDs)- Lippes Loop & Copper 7

August 1972

NYS announced \$25,000 for 3 year grant to fund family planning clinic in Greene County Memorial Hospital

October 1972

Miss Barbara Bird , RN was
announced as first Family
Planning Director

February 1973

Greene County Family Planning
holds first clinic on February 12 at
6:30pm

May 1973

Family Planning seminar at County Building in Cairo. This seminar was open to the public to bring awareness to family planning services

1980s

*FDA approves low dose
hormonal birth control pill &
Paragard (copper IUD)*

March 1982

Family Planning relocates to
Jefferson Medical Center

November 1983

Barbara Caldara, RN appointed
interim Nurse/Family Planning
Director

January 1984

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Nurse/Family Planning Director

October 1988

HIV counseling and testing program became effective

1989

- HIV program saw 36 clients
- Cervical Cap and Paragard IUD was added to the clinic

1990

Pharmacist John Konsul added to
the clinic

- *33 years of service!*

1991

FDA approves Norplant

1992

- HIV program saw 218 clients
 - 14 women chose an IUD

1992

FDA approves Depo- Provera

1993

Depo Provera added to birth control options at the clinic

1993

*FDA approves first female
condom*

1994

- Saw 1,700 clients seen
- Joined the NYSDOH in the Breast/ Cervical Partnership
- Started using Ahler's Patient Accounting System

1995

1,883 people seen
(29.6% were no charge)

1997

- 1,617 clinic visits
- 225 people tested for HIV

1999

FDA approves Plan B

2000

FDA approves Mirena IUD

2001

*FDA approves Ortho Evra
& Nuva Ring*

2004

- Moved to County Office Building
- Saw our 10,000th client!

2005

834 clients seen
&
1399 total visits

2006

- *FDA approves Implanon & Plan B over the counter for 18 and up*
- *FDA approves Gardasil*

2006

- 1010 clients seen & 1833 total visits
- Approved to do rapid HIV testing

2008

35 years of family planning!

2009

*FDA approves female condom
FC2*

2010

- 1090 unduplicated visits & 2341 total visits
- Universal Hepatitis C screening

2010

FDA approves Nexplanon

2011

- 1142 unduplicated visits & 2588 total visits
- 535 HIV tests performed
- Expedited Partner Treatment (EPT) for Chlamydia

2012

- Changed over to Electronic Medical Records
- 1153 unduplicated visits & 2580 total visits
- 152 STD visits & 83 HIV testes
- Cathy Start named to NYS DOH Public Health Workers honor roll
- Laura Churchill received State Award for Excellence at National AANP Conference

2013

*FDA approves Skyla IUD
& Plan B for 18 and under*

2013

- Participated in collaborative to increase Long Acting Reversible Contraceptive methods (LARCs)
- Plan C campaign for the Copper IUD
- 1157 unduplicated visits & 2513 total visits
- Started testing for Hepatitis C

2014

- 36% of women had LARC methods (27% in 2013)
- Had 4 pharmacy interns from Albany College of Pharmacy
- Collaboration with Greene County Jail to provide STD, HIV, and Hepatitis C testing
- Plan C campaign recognized by NYS

2015

- Over 1300 unduplicated visits & 2691 total visits
- 43% of women using a LARC method
- Responsible Adolescent Program (RAP) began with 25

2016

- Over 1407 unduplicated visits & 3870 total visits
- Reproductive health education for Probation department adolescents
- 16% decrease in Chlamydia infections from 2015
- HIV PrEP Provision

2016

FDA approves Kyleena IUD

2017

- Over 1423 unduplicated visits and more than 2816 total visits
- 35 active RAPP students
- Started to use the PHQ-9 depression screening
- Smoking cessation training for staff
- Started genetic testing for cancer
- Nurse Practitioner trained in performing Colposcopy

2018

- 1272 unduplicated visits & 2525 total visits
- 454 HIV test performed
- Dr. Mesidor hired as Medical Director
- NYSDOH Hepatitis C rapid testing site
- HIV PeP started

2019

- 1289 unduplicated visits & 3133 total visits
- 446 HIV tests performed
- First family planning agency in NYS to contract with Fidelis
- 87 MAT clients seen
- Began hosting the Breastfeeding Coalition
- Began distributing Narcan

2020

- 1037 unduplicated visits & 2770 total visits
- Began providing telehealth services
- 539 telemedicine visits
- COVID pandemic began
- Gonorrhea rates went up by 57% in Greene County
- 19 and under rates fell by 28% in clinic

2021

- 1070 unduplicated visits & 2708 total visits
- 539 telemedicine visits
- Increased new clients by 9.5%
- Added online scheduling
- 19 Colposcopies performed
- 89 MAT clients
- Began giving out Fentanyl test strips
- EPT for Gonorrhea and Trichomonas

2022

2023

- 260 MAT patients served

In 2019, Greene County Family Planning implemented a Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program. Since that time the program has treated 260 patients with Opioid Use Disorder.

Teen Pregnancy Rate Greene County vs. NYS

