

Note: All of these sources cite figures for one year of a two-year budget, so the figures for one year undercount the impact of the two-year budget cuts.

A May 5, 2011 memo by the Legislative Budget Board (see attached), stated that 283,909 women would lose their basic healthcare services based on 2012-13 budget cuts that were passed in the 82nd Legislative Session.

A March 15, 2012 letter by the Texas Department of Health and Human Services (see attached) stated that at least 130,000 Texas women would lose their services due to legislation passed in the 82nd Legislative Session that forces the state to forego federal funding directed to Planned Parenthood clinics.

Cuts to Texas HHS Department's family planning program removed 150,000 women from well-woman exams and breast exams, on an annual basis. The cuts to the Women's Health Program would add another 114,000 women from vital services (well-woman care, cancer screenings and birth control). It is widely known that well woman care is the only primary care that many low-income patients receive. Based on a two-year budget, those figures could be higher than the 150,000 figure for family planning services.

http://www.cppp.org/files/3/2012_03_09_WHP%20Revised.pdf

Dallas Morning News editorial estimates the number of women losing those services through HHS cuts to family planning at **180,000**, citing Health and Human Services figures.

<http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/editorials/20120228-editorial-the-politics-of-contraception.ace>

PolitiFact Texas

<http://www.politifact.com/texas/statements/2012/mar/23/rick-perry/rick-perry-says-2010-nearly-80-women-served-womens/>

"Stephanie Goodman, a commission spokeswoman, told us that Perry's "nearly 80 percent" figure is based on a data analysis that included three statistics for fiscal 2010:

- 1) The total number of women who were served under the program (106,711)
 - 2) The number who received services from a Planned Parenthood clinic (**49,162**)
 - 3) The number who received services from "all other providers" (84,805)"
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The State of Texas continues its legal fight to unfund Planned Parenthood clinics, appealing an

injunction that would continue to allow WHP dollars to be used in Planned Parenthood clinics. State leaders show no signs of fully funding the program -

http://www.upi.com/Top_News/US/2012/05/01/Texas-appealing-Planned-Parenthood-order/UPI-18981335851298/

Texas has not sought federal funding for the program -

<http://www.texastribune.org/texas-health-resources/health-reform-and-texas/texas-declines-funds-health-coverage-education/>

And Texas has not passed a new budget to fund the program in the future.

Austin Chronicle coverage:

<http://www.austinchronicle.com/news/2012-03-02/another-state-assault-on-womens-health-care/>

Last Thursday, Feb. 23, Texas Health and Human Services Executive Commissioner **Tom Suehs** approved a new agency rule that would ban **Planned Parenthood** from participation in the **Women's Health Program** – a move that, based on federal standards, most likely means the end to a successful program that in 2010 alone provided more than 180,000 low-income Texas women with access to basic health care and family-planning services.

The WHP is a **Medicaid-waiver** program that offers basic preventative health and family-planning care to low-income and uninsured women ages 18-44 who, unless pregnant, wouldn't otherwise be eligible for Medicaid.