

## **Our Mission**

To empower individuals to make independent, informed decisions about their sexual and reproductive lives, we provide information and health care, and promote public policies that make those services available to all. *Planning is Power.*

 **The Teen Advocates** are highly trained peer educators from the South Bronx, Brooklyn, and the Lower East Side of Manhattan. They engage in outreach in their communities and conduct interactive workshops to inform youth about teens' rights and access to sexual and reproductive health care.

The Teen Advocates program was created in 1996 to combat the high rates of teen pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections, HIV, and intimate partner violence occurring in our communities. Research shows that peer education is an extremely effective method of providing information to young people, and the Teen Advocates program reaches thousands of young people each year with teen-friendly information on reproductive and sexual health.

We are proud of the success of the teens themselves – more than 90% of our Teen Advocates go on to college and the rest pursue their goals and dreams in other ways. Many go to work for local community organizations where they continue providing needed assistance to young people throughout the city.

Teen Advocate workshops can be scheduled between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm, Tuesday through Thursday, in the South Bronx, Brooklyn, and Manhattan. To schedule a workshop, please contact the Program Coordinator.



## **Teen Nights**

To overcome barriers that teens experience in getting sexual and reproductive health care, PPNYC has special "Teen Nights" at our Manhattan, Bronx, and Brooklyn health centers, where teens can participate in free workshops, take tours, and make future appointments.

## **Information**

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