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**Missouri Family Health Council Awarded Federal Title X Funding;
Remains Sole Grantee in State**

On March 29, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services released notices of awards for the federal Title X family planning program. Missouri Family Health Council, Inc. (MFHC), a private nonprofit organization based in Jefferson City, has received funding to continue its role as the state's sole grantee for this essential public health program.

"Despite facing competition this grant cycle, we are pleased to continue our long history of oversight and administration of Title X in Missouri," said Michelle Trupiano, MFHC Executive Director. "Our priority remains to ensure patients receive unbiased, accurate healthcare information needed to flourish and make informed healthcare decisions."

Title X serves women, men, and adolescents with counseling, information, and preventive sexual and reproductive health services, including: birth control, breast and cervical cancer screenings, and sexually transmitted infection/HIV testing and treatment.

MFHC is proud to offer Title X patients a wide range of healthcare settings to choose from to ensure the best fit for their lifestyle and personal preferences. Regardless of the clinic size or location, Title X-funded healthcare is consistently high-quality because of the evidence-based standards and core values which guide it.

MFHC's diverse Title X network includes community action agencies, health departments, federally qualified health centers (FQHCs), hospitals, Planned Parenthood affiliates and other standalone family planning clinics. In 2018, 70 Title X clinics throughout Missouri provided high-quality family planning services to over 37,000 patients.

"For over 37 years, MFHC has been the steward of this critical public health program, and we are honored to remain in this role," said Trupiano. "MFHC will continue to strengthen and support the Missouri Title X network, as well as advocate to preserve the trademarks of the federal family planning program: patient-centered, comprehensive, non-directive, confidential healthcare for all patients, regardless of ability to pay."



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To learn more about MFHC and its reproductive healthcare initiatives, visit www.MFHC.org.

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Missouri Family Health Council, Inc. (MFHC) champions access for every individual to culturally sensitive, quality, sexual and reproductive health education and services. MFHC is proud to support systems of care throughout the state, with particular emphasis on safety net providers, in delivering patient-centered reproductive healthcare to all those who seek services. Our programming is focused on removing cost barriers, specifically for the uninsured, and supporting health centers through quality training, analysis, and collaboration.