

PATCH PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT REEL

July 1 2019 - June 30 2020

2019 July

Core PATCH Package updated & Version 3 released

Three Sites officially took on a statewide approach, forming the WI PATCH Collaborative

August

PATCH for Teens Toolkit pilot project published in the *Journal of School Nursing*

You helped us raise over \$2,000 as part of #PitchinforPATCH - thx!

September

PATCH Sites nationwide launched a new program year with newly hired and trained Teen Educators

Dane County PATCH celebrated the start of 10th(!) program year

October

PATCH for Hope Buffalo re-launched with new staff

2019/2020 Youth Advocate Team convened for empowering 3-day, 2-night training retreat

November

PATCH Director invited to join LEAHP initiative to help advance WI's impact on teen sexual health

Youth Advocates consulted on key adolescent health projects - including a guide to well visits

December

PATCH Oklahoma City celebrated the completion of its first ever program year

PATCH Staff and youth spent time learning about and practicing self-care in preparation for 2020

2020 January

PATCH Sites ramped up provider and peer-to-peer education efforts and offered 13 workshops in the first 8 weeks of the new year

February

PATCH Director traveled to NC to participate in WI's MCH Workforce Development effort, "Aligning for Adolescent Health", as a key community partner and youth engagement expert

March

Programmatic shifts made in response to COVID 19 pandemic including move to virtual youth programming and postponement of in-person PATCH for Providers Symposium

PATCH Coulee Region hosted youth-led COVID panel

April

First ever virtual PATCH for Teens: Peer-to-Peer Workshop added to the books

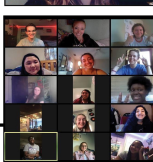
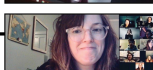
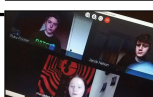
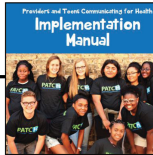
May

PATCH Central WI hosted first ever virtual PATCH for Providers Workshop

PATCH youth creatively celebrated the completion of their 2019/2020 program year

June

PATCH rested, recuperated, and initiated changes necessary for a creative and innovative upcoming program year with respect to world circumstances



The Core PATCH Package provides communities the training, support, resources, and materials to become a PATCH Site. A PATCH Site has a Teen Educator team that facilitates the "PATCH for Providers" and "PATCH for Teens: Peer-to-Peer" Workshops. In 2019/2020, there were:

- 6 Licensed PATCH Sites
3 Wisconsin, 1 Indiana, 1 Oklahoma, 1 New York
- 93 Certified PATCH Teen Educators
- 16 PATCH for Providers Workshops
- 547 PATCH for Providers Workshop attendees
- 24 PATCH for Teens Workshops
- 395 PATCH for Teens Workshop attendees

More information can be found in the 2019/2020 Core PATCH Package Impact Report available on our website.

The PATCH Youth Advocacy Fellowship is a statewide opportunity for Wisconsin youth, ages 12-21, to grow as leaders and activists. They are empowered to be a part of adolescent health conversations at community and state levels, providing advice and input on goals and decisions that impact youth. In 2019/2020:

- 14 Youth Advocates completed the 8-month Fellowship
- 6 State-level projects incorporated youth-voice and perspective thanks to the Youth Advocates' consulting services

PATCH Program Staff attended various events to learn, share, and grow as adolescent health champions and advocates. But even more exciting (to us!), we cheered on many of our Sites who began disseminating and showcasing their efforts too!

We are humbled and honored to be recognized nationally for our ongoing efforts in adolescent health, including the Vince Hutchins Partnership Award from HRSA and the Award for Excellence in Adolescent Health from AHI. Thanks to ALL our partners for your time, commitment, and unyielding passion in making this work possible. We couldn't do it without you.



Stay up to date on all of our initiatives by visiting www.patchprogram.org and signing up for PATCH's newsletter, Peek@PATCH, or find us on social media @thepatchprogram.

While our worlds were rocked at the beginning of 2020, we are thankful for everyone who remained steadfast in their commitment to youth work and to the PATCH Program. We were able to act nimbly and have taken this opportunity to explore new and innovative ways to improve the health and safety of ALL adolescents - taking into consideration the realities of COVID 19, racism, and the many related inequities and injustices. We look forward to the 2020-2021 program year and the growth that is yet to come with youth as our guide.

••••• Because THEY are the experts.