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Founded in 1985

Marcia Spector is the founding chairperson of the Suffolk Network on Adolescent Pregnancy, Inc., (SNAP) and has served as the agency's Executive Director since 1985.

The organization began as a Suffolk County Task Force in 1979 and it was through the leadership and advocacy efforts of Mrs. Spector that the agency was incorporated and funded.

For thirty years, Mrs. Spector has continued to provide educational, medical and social support to help youth deal with the societal pressures surrounding sexuality, to help parenting adolescents towards self sufficiency and responsible behavior and to encourage positive dialogue around often divisive and volatile issues.

She has recently been appointed as the Suffolk County Legislature's representative on a newly created Teen Pregnancy Task Force to address recent increases in teen pregnancies.