



MORAMANGA RAPID ASSESSMENT OF ADOLESCENT SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (ASRHR)

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FACT SHEET

This fact sheet is a summary of the findings of the ASRHR Rapid Assessment conducted in Moramanga as part of an eight-country study¹ from November 2019 to December 2020. The research aims to strengthen youth-led and focused efforts to promote ASRHR through gender and youth responsive local governance. Gender Links Madagascar conducted the study in ten Centers of Excellence for Gender in Local Government.² In Moramanga, the study covered two clinics; 148 respondents: 74% young women and 26% young men (see table overleaf). This fact sheet should be read together with the Madagascar and the Southern Africa ASRHR Rapid Assessment research pamphlets. Key findings include:

Accessibility

- Less than half (only 41%) of respondents reported being within 10 km of a clinic. This situation proves that young people in Moramanga still experience the remoteness of clinics, even though it is an urban council. Noting that the CHDII Hospital Moramanga is the least accessible for youth surveyed (32%).
- Over three-quarters (76%) -overall- of respondents said that the clinics open after school.
- A high proportion (83%) of youth said that the clinics open at weekends, with a satisfactory percentage for the two clinics.
- Overall, 82% of respondents indicated that the clinics possess a comfortable waiting area.
- 12% of youth overall confirmed that both clinics charge \$1.

Quality of care

- Almost all respondents said clinics treated them with confidentiality (98%) and with respect (96%).
- The majority of respondents (89%) said they were treated privately and spent sufficient time with health workers (87%).
- A high proportion (86%) of young people reported that they met with peer counsellors during their visits.

¹ Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mauritius, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

² Andoharanomaitso, Anjozorobe, Antanamaritana, Bongatsara, Fort-Dauphin, Foulpointe, Mahajanga, Manjakandriana, Moramanga and Toamasina.

- Eighty-three percent of respondents reported that they received appropriate information.
- Over three-quarters (78%) of young people were treated without parents' presence: with a much higher percentage at the CSBII hôpital Moramanga (82%) compared to that of CSBII Amis des jeunes (58%).

Sexual and reproductive health services

- Only 46% of respondents asked for contraceptives and two-thirds (66%) of those who requested contraceptives received them. An effort still needs to be made to reach 100%, as the provision of contraceptives to young people is key to ASRHR.
- Overall 38% of young women requested a pregnancy test and 66% received it. One percent of the young women were pregnant at the time of the survey: still, more efforts are needed on access to contraceptives.
- Ten percent of young women requested sanitary pads. Only less than half (44%) of those who requested sanitary pads received them. This is another major concern, as providing free pads through clinics would be another route to ending period poverty and would be crucial for effective menstrual health management.
- At 63%, overall demand for male circumcision, which has been shown to reduce the spread of HIV and AIDS, 96% of them received an appointment for the circumcision.
- Only 11% of the YP requested an HIV test. Less than half (43%) who asked for this test received it. Moramanga is ranked last in responding to requests for HIV testing from young people among the ten councils surveyed in Madagascar.
- Similarly, 10% of respondents requested an STI test and half of those who requested STI tests received them. Moramanga is still lowest rated in providing STI tests.
- Overall, 7% of respondents requested anti-retroviral drugs for HIV and AIDS, of which 44% received. ARVs are generally accessible in Madagascar at the referral district hospitals.
- Almost two-thirds (63%) of youth declared that health workers asked about their mental health. A key progress as ASRHR and mental health are closely linked.

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<https://genderlinks.org.za/what-we-do/governance/local-action-for-voice-and-choice/>

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KEY DATA FROM THE RAPID ASSESSMENT OF ASRHR SERVICES IN MORAMANGA MADAGASCAR

Indicator	Moramanga	CHDII Hospital Moramanga	CSB II Amis des jeunes
Total sample	148	106	42
% female	74%	67%	88%
% male	26%	33%	12%
Logistic information on health facilities			
Health facility within 10km from your home %	41%	32%	50%
The facility opens after school? %	76%	73%	81%
The facility opens on weekends? %	83%	84%	81%
The facility has a comfortable waiting and consultation area? %	82%	85%	65%
Does the facility charge a fee? %	12%	12%	12%
Average fee in USD	\$1	\$1	\$1
Quality of care			
Peer counsellors available %	86%	89%	69%
Young people treated with respect %	96%	95%	96%
Young people are treated without parent present %	78%	82%	58%
Young people have privacy %	89%	91%	77%
Young people have confidentiality %	98%	97%	100%
Health workers spend sufficient time with young people %	87%	87%	83%
Young people receive appropriate information %	83%	85%	72%
Sexual and reproductive health services (%)			
Maternal health			
% Young people who requested contraceptives	46%	51%	41%
% Young people who requested contraceptives that received contraceptives	66%	71%	61%
% Young women who requested a pregnancy test	38%	41%	35%
% Young women who received a pregnancy test	66%	61%	71%
% Young women who were pregnant	1%	0%	1%
Menstrual health			
% Young women who requested pads	10%	7%	13%
% of those who requested pads that received pads	44%	20%	67%
HIV and AIDS and STI			
% Young men who requested male circumcision	63%	63%	
% of those who requested male circumcision received an appointment	96%	96%	
% who requested HIV test	11%	10%	12%
% of those who requested who received HIV test	43%	23%	63%
% who requested STI test	10%	8%	12%
% who requested who received STI test	50%	30%	70%
% who requested anti-retrovirals (ARVs)	7%	7%	
% who requested who received ARVs	44%	44%	
% who said Health worker asked about mental health	63%	65%	61%