

## D'ALMEIDA COUNCIL RAPID ASSESSMENT OF ADOLESCENT SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (ASRHR)



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This fact sheet is a summary of the findings of the ASRHR Rapid Assessment undertaken in D'Almeida Council as part of an eight-country study<sup>1</sup> 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 South Africa conducted the study in 29 Centers of Excellence for Gender in Local Government.<sup>2</sup> In D' Almeida, the study covered 1 clinic; 40 respondents: 40% young women and 60% young men (see table overleaf). This fact sheet should be read together with the South Africa and the Southern Africa ASRHR Rapid Assessment research pamphlets. Key findings include:

**Accessibility** 

- All the respondents reported being within 10 km of a clinic.
- All the respondents reported that the clinic is open after school but none said the clinic is open during weekends.
- All the respondents said that the clinic had a comfortable waiting area.

## **Quality of care**

- All the respondents interviewed said they were treated with respect.
- All of the young people in the sample indicated that there was privacy at the clinic.
- Eighty-two percent of respondents said they were treated with confidentiality.
- The majority (93%) of respondents said that the clinic did not require their parents to be present.
- All of the young people in the sample indicated that health workers spent sufficient time with them.

 All of the young people in the sample people said they received appropriate information.
 Availability of information is a key component of ASRHR that gives young people a #Voice andChoice.

## Sexual and reproductive health services

- Forty-six percent of young people requested contraceptives. The majority (94%) of those who requested contraceptives received them. While the percentage of young people requesting is relatively low, but the percentage of those receiving contraceptives is high. Access to contraceptives is key to ensure that ASRH is prioritised.
- Just over a third 33% of young women requested a pregnancy test and all of them received it. None of the young women sampled were pregnant at that time.
- Twenty-five percent of young women requested pads.
- At 47%, the overall demand for male circumcision, which has been shown to reduce the spread of HIV and AIDS, is relatively low. It is encouraging that 88% of those who requested male circumcision received an appointment.
- Only 8% of youth requested PREP while none requested post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP).
- Forty-four percent of respondents requested an HIV test. The majority (94%) of those who asked for this test received it.
- Ninety-seven percent of respondents said health workers asked about their mental health.
   This is encouraging, as ASRHR and mental health are closely linked.
- Over three quarters (76%) of young people said that a follow-up appointment was set up whilst 73% of young people were referred to a relevant facility.

FOR MORE INFORMATION go to:

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

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<sup>1</sup> Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mauritius, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
2 Blouberg, Brandwag, D'Almeida, Dana Bay, Emfuleni, Friemersheim, Great Brak, Hartenbos, Herbertsdale, Joburg City-Orange Farm-Region G, Joburg City-Soweto-Region D, Joe Slovo, Kwanonagba, Lepelle Nklumpi, Middvaal, Mogale City, Molemole, Mossel Bay, Polokwane, Sonskyn Valley, eThekwini Ward 101, eThekwini Ward 11, eThekwini Ward 26, eThekwini Ward 98 (Umkomaas), eThekwini Ward 98 (Umnini).

## KEY DATA FROM THE RAPID ASSESSMENT OF ASRHR SERVICES IN D'ALMEIDA COUNCIL SOUTH AFRICA

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Indicator	D'Almeida	D'Almeida CDC
Total sample	40	40
% female	40%	40%
% gender non-conforming	0%	0%
% male	60%	60%
Logistic information on health facilities	0070	3070
Health facility within 10km from your home %	100%	100%
The facility opens after school? %	100%	100%
The facility opens on weekends? %	0%	0%
The facility has a comfortable waiting and consultation area? %	100%	100%
Does the facility charge a fee? %	0%	0%
Average fee in USD	None	None
Quality of care	INOTIC	None
Peer counsellors available %	20%	20%
Young people treated with respect %	100%	100%
Young people are treated without parent present %	93%	93%
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Young people have confidentiality %	100%	100%
	100%	100%
Health workers spend sufficient time with young people %	100%	100%
Young people receive appropriate information %	100%	100%
Sexual and reproductive health services (%)		
Maternal health		
% Young people who requested contraceptives	46%	46%
% Young people who requested contraceptives that received contraceptives	94%	94%
% Young women who requested a pregnancy test	33%	33%
% Young women who received a pregnancy test	100%	100%
% Young women who were pregnant	0%	0%
% pregnant young women who requested ante-natal check-up		
% pregnant young women who received ante-natal check-up		
% pregnant women who requested prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT)		
% pregnant women who requested PMTCT that received PMTCT		
% Young women who requested post-natal care	0%	0%
% Young women who requested post natal care who received post-natal care		
% Young women who requested help with breast feeding	0%	0%
% Young women who requested that received help with breast feeding		
Menstrual health		
% Young women who requested pads	25%	25%
% of those who requested pads that received pads	0%	0%
HIV and AIDS and STI		
% Young men who requested male circumcision	47%	47%
% of those who requested male circimcision received an appointment	88%	88%
% youth who requested PREP	8%	8%
% youth who received PREP	100%	100%
% who requested post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)	5%	5%
% of those who requested who received PEP	100%	100%
% who requested HIV test	44%	44%
% of those who requested who received HIV test	94%	94%
% who requested STI test	21%	21%
% who requested who received STI test	100%	100%
% who requested anti-retrovirals (ARVs)	0%	0%
% who requested who received ARVs	<b>V</b> /V	0,0
% who said Health worker asked about mental health	97%	97%
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