



LILALA COUNCIL 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 undertaken in Lilala Council 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 Lesotho conducted the study in nine Centers of Excellence for Gender in Local Government.² In Lilala, the study covered two clinics namely St Barnabas and St Peters Health Centers with 72 respondents: 43% Female St Peters and 57% male (see table overleaf). This fact sheet should be read together with the Lesotho, and the Southern Africa ASRHR Rapid Assessment research pamphlets. Key findings include:

Accessibility

- Almost 58% of respondents in St Barnabas walk just 10km to the clinic as compared to 57% overall and 56% St Peters.
- Overall 10% of respondents as highest mentioned that the facility opens after school as compared to St Barnabas Health Centre at 9%.
- Both facilities do not open on weekends; this is worrying because weekend and after school hours are only available time for young people to visit health facilities.
- Over 69% of respondents from St Peters clinic agreed that the facility has a comfortable waiting and consultation area as compared to 61% from St Barnabas Health Clinic.
- Both facilities do not charge fares.

Quality of care

- About 58% of respondents in Lilala mentioned that peer counselors are available as compared 59% in St Barnabas and 56% St Peters Health Centres.

- Over 73% of young people in St Barnabas Health Centre highlighted that they were treated with respect as compared to the overall in Lilala with 65% and St Peters Health Centre with 59%.
- Overall, only 42% respondents were treated without parents or guardians as compared to 44% in St Peters and 39% in St Barnabas Health Centres.
- Sixty percent overall, young people had privacy as compared to 64% high in St Barnabas and low 56% in St Peters.
- About 70% in St Barnabas had confidentiality as compared to 61% overall and 54% in St Peters.
- Over 91% of respondents in St Barnabas Health Centre received appropriate information as compared to overall with 90% and St Peters.

Sexual and reproductive health services

- Overall 56% of respondents requested contraceptives and almost 75% from St Barnabas as compared to 70% St Peters received; this shows young women have access to contraceptives.
- Overall 35% of young women requested pregnancy tests with the highest of 53% St Peters and lowest of 14% in St Barnabas.
- Respondents from both facilities at 50% agreed that young women received pregnancy tests.
- Overall 21% of respondents of young women tested for pregnancy.
- Even though pads are not provided at the clinics; overall 43% of young women requested pads and 29% from St Peters received as compared to 0% at St Barnabas.
- Almost 89% of young men from St Barnabas requested male circumcision as compared to 82% at St Peter's and 72% as highest received male circumcision appointments.
- At least 64% of respondents requested HIV test and almost all respondents (95%) as highest received the test as compared to 79% as lowest at St Peter's.

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

² Kanana, Lilala, Mafeteng, Mamants'o, Mazonod, Qibing, Sephokong, Siloe and Ts'ana Talana.

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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 LILALA COUNCIL LESOTHO

Indicator	Lilala	St Barnabas Health Centre	St Peters Clever Health Centre
Total sample	72	33	39
% female	43%	42%	44%
% male	57%	58%	56%
Logistic information on health facilities			
Health facility within 10km from your home %	57%	58%	56%
The facility opens after school? %	10%	9%	10%
The facility opens on weekends? %	0%	0%	0%
The facility has a comfortable waiting and consultation area? %	65%	61%	69%
Does the facility charge a fee? %	0%	0%	0%
Average fee in USD	None	None	None
Quality of care			
Peer counsellors available %	58%	59%	56%
Young people treated with respect %	65%	73%	59%
Young people are treated without parent present %	42%	39%	44%
Young people have privacy %	60%	64%	56%
Young people have confidentiality %	61%	70%	54%
Health workers spend sufficient time with young people %	41%	45%	37%
Young people receive appropriate information %	90%	91%	90%
Sexual and reproductive health services (%)			
Maternal health			
% Young people who requested contraceptives	56%	61%	51%
% Young people who requested contraceptives that received contraceptives	73%	75%	70%
% Young women who requested a pregnancy test	35%	14%	53%
% Young women who received a pregnancy test	50%	50%	50%
% Young women who were pregnant	21%	18%	24%
Menstrual health			
% Young women who requested pads	43%	43%	44%
% of those who requested pads that received pads	15%	0%	29%
HIV and AIDS and STI			
% YM who requested male circumcision	85%	89%	82%
% of those who requested male circumcision received an appointment	71%	69%	72%
% who requested HIV test	64%	67%	62%
% of those who requested who received HIV test	87%	95%	79%
% who requested STI test	46%	50%	44%
% who requested who received STI test	94%	100%	88%
% who requested anti-retrovirals (ARVs)	7%	16%	0%
% who requested who received ARVs	67%	67%	
% who said Health worker asked about mental health	35%	33%	37%