



HARARE CITY 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 Harare City 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 Zimbabwe conducted the study in thirteen Centers of Excellence for Gender in Local Government.² In Harare, the study covered 25 clinics; 594 respondents: 51% young women and 49% young men (see table overleaf). This fact sheet should be read together with the Zimbabwe, and the Southern Africa ASRHR Rapid Assessment research pamphlets. Key findings include:

Accessibility

- Seventy-nine percent of respondents reported being within 10 km of a clinic.
- Responses to whether the clinics open after school were above half (54%), an indication of differences in the way clinics operate or a lack of knowledge by young people.
- Over three-quarters of respondents (78%), said that clinics open during weekends. At 33%, Matapi had the least response.
- Most young people (83%) except Hatfield (46%) said that clinics had comfortable waiting areas.
- All Clinics in Harare charge an average fee of USD\$2 for ASRHR services.

Quality of care

- Over three quarters of youths (78%) said they were treated with respect. Hatfield clinic (26%) had the most negative responses.
- Eighty percent of young people indicated that there was privacy at the clinic, while eighty-seven percent indicated that there was confi-

dentiality at the clinics. Only Hatfield clinic scored lowly on both.

- Less than half of respondents (47%) said that clinics did not require their parents to be present. No youths are treated without their parents in Avondale, Glenview Satellite, Greendale, Mabvuku Satellite and Tafara clinics.
- Almost three-quarters of respondents (74%) said they received appropriate information. Budiriro Poly (22%) and Hatfield (28%) clinics were the least rated.

Sexual and reproductive health services

- Less than a fifth of youths (17%) requested contraceptives. No requests were made at Avondale, Braeside, Glenview Satellite, Greendale, Malbereign, Matapi and Tafara clinics. The majority (81%) of requests for contraceptives were met.
- Almost a third (31%) of young women requested a pregnancy test. 81% of those who requested, received the service.
- Over a quarter (27%) of young women requested sanitary pads and seventy percent of those who requested received them.
- Over half (51%) of young boys requested male circumcision. Male circumcision has been shown to reduce the spread of HIV and AIDS. Almost all (97%) of requests were received.
- Almost half (48%) of respondents requested an HIV test. 82% of those who requested the service received it.
- Only 8% of respondents requested an STI test and 77% of those who requested tests received them.
- Sixty-four percent of respondents said health workers asked about their mental health. There is a need for addressing mental health issues as they have a direct correlation with ASRHR.

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

² Bindura RDC, Bulawayo City, Gweru City, Harare City, Kadoma City, Makoni RDC, Masvingo City, Murehwa RDC, Mutare City, Mvurwi Town, Umguza RDC, Zibagwe RDC and Zvimba RDC

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Indicator	Harare City Council	Arcadia	Avondale	Belvedere	Borrowdale	Braeside FHS	Budiriro Poly	Budiriro Sate	Caledonia	Glenview Poly	Glenview Sate	Greendale FHS	Hatcliffe Poly	Hatfield	Highfield Poly	Highlands PCC	Hopley	Mabelreign	Mabvuku Poly	Mabvuku Sate	Marlborough	Matapi	Mt Pleasant	Sunningdale	Tafara FHS	Warren Park Poly	
Total sample	594	22	1	21	23	1	59	40	21	23	1	1	69	42	13	42	23	21	26	1	24	9	49	40	1	21	
% female	51%	50%	0%	52%	57%	100%	53%	48%	57%	52%	100%	0%	49%	43%	54%	45%	48%	57%	54%	100%	54%	67%	51%	50%	0%	43%	
% male	49%	50%	100%	48%	43%	0%	47%	53%	43%	48%	0%	100%	51%	57%	46%	55%	52%	43%	46%	0%	46%	33%	49%	50%	100%	57%	
Logistic information on health facilities																											
Health facility within 10km from your home %	79%	82%	100%	95%	87%	100%	25%	100%	100%	100%	0%	0%	90%	23%	62%	76%	96%	100%	77%	100%	92%	100%	82%	100%	100%	100%	81%
The facility opens after school? %	54%	59%	100%	52%	74%	100%	92%	100%	71%	78%	100%	100%	10%	33%	38%	33%	87%	100%	31%	100%	58%	56%	48%	3%	100%	62%	
The facility opens on weekends? %	78%	73%	100%	67%	57%	100%	97%	100%	52%	65%	100%	100%	94%	38%	100%	79%	87%	86%	77%	100%	50%	33%	73%	100%	100%	57%	
Quality of care																											
Young people treated with respect %	78%	82%	100%	50%	74%	100%	86%	100%	81%	78%	100%	100%	80%	26%	92%	81%	83%	100%	77%	100%	54%	44%	80%	100%	100%	67%	
Young people are treated without parent present %	47%	50%	0%	20%	48%	0%	10%	100%	29%	30%	0%	0%	48%	80%	38%	38%	26%	40%	62%	0%	42%	67%	33%	78%	0%	43%	
Young people have privacy %	80%	73%	100%	74%	87%	100%	88%	100%	86%	87%	100%	100%	81%	38%	100%	67%	87%	90%	88%	100%	42%	78%	74%	98%	100%	71%	
Young people have confidentiality %	87%	75%	100%	67%	83%	100%	93%	100%	86%	91%	100%	100%	90%	32%	100%	95%	96%	100%	96%	100%	75%	56%	88%	100%	100%	81%	
Sexual and reproductive health services (%)																											
Maternal health																											
% Young people who requested contraceptives	18%	15%	0%	30%	4%	0%	10%	26%	14%	22%	0%	0%	26%	29%	15%	10%	13%	0%	16%	100%	25%	0%	14%	30%	0%	14%	
% Young people who requested contraceptives that received	81%	67%		100%	100%		100%	0%	100%	80%			89%	43%	100%	75%	67%		100%		50%		100%	83%		67%	
% Young women who requested a pregnancy test	31%	27%		20%	0%	100%	83%	100%	8%	8%	0%		9%	14%	14%	11%	0%	8%	7%	0%	8%	0%	8%	5%		11%	
% Young women who received a pregnancy test	15%	67%		50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	100%			67%	0%	100%	50%		100%	100%		100%		100%	100%		0%	
Menstrual health																											
% Young women who requested pads	27%	36%		30%	31%	100%	10%	0%	33%	23%	0%		29%	0%	29%	53%	64%	50%	57%	0%	33%	50%	52%	0%		33%	
% of those who requested pads that received pads	70%	25%		33%	50%	100%	40%		100%	100%			90%		0%	60%	86%	67%	75%		50%	67%	92%			67%	
HIV and AIDS and STI																											
% Young men who requested male circumcision	51%	30%	0%	50%	20%		75%	100%	33%	45%		0%	29%	26%	0%	78%	50%	67%	42%		64%	0%	70%	25%	100%	42%	
% of those who requested male circumcision received an appointment	97%	100%		100%	100%		100%	100%	100%	100%			100%	60%		100%	67%	100%	100%		100%		100%	100%		100%	
% who requested HIV test	48%	38%	0%	55%	35%	100%	81%	100%	43%	36%	0%	0%	25%	15%	23%	69%	52%	52%	62%	0%	46%	44%	60%	5%	100%	29%	