

KADOMA 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 Kadoma 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 Kadoma, the study covered 6 clinics; 146 respondents: 52% young women and 48% 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

- Fifty-nine percent of respondents reported being within 10 km of a clinic.
- Responses to whether the clinics open after school were relatively low at just above half (53%).
- Less than three-quarters of respondents (74%), said that clinics open during weekends. Rimuka Integrated HIV and TB (RIHT) and Rimuka Maternity home (RMH) (100%) had the highest response rate while the lowest (68%) was at Ngezi clinic.
- Over three-quarters of respondents (79%) said that the clinic had a comfortable waiting area.
- The average cost of ASRHR services in Kadoma is USD\$3.

Quality of care

- Most young people (90%) said they were treated with respect. Ngezi, (89%) and Rimuka (86%) recorded the least response rates.
- Eighty-one percent of young people indicated that there was privacy at the clinic. This varied from 63% at RMH to 100% at RIHT and Waverly clinics.
- Over half (54%) of respondents said that clinics did not require their parents to be present. Only

Chemukute (63%) and RMH (50%) have a positive response rate.

- Almost three quarters (74%) indicated that health workers spent sufficient time with them.
- A high proportion of respondents (87%) said they received appropriate information with the lowest response rate at Ngezi clinic (68%). Access to information is important to assist young people to make better ASRHR choices.

Sexual and reproductive health services

- Over a third of young people (35%) requested contraceptives. These requests ranged from 17% at Waverly clinic to 38% at Rimuka and RMH clinics. Three quarters of those who requested contraceptives received them.
- Over a quarter (29%) of young women requested a pregnancy test. There were no requests for pregnancy tests at RIHT and Waverly clinics. Over half (52%) of those who requested, received the service. At the time of the study, 5% of young women were pregnant.
- Thirty-nine percent of young women requested sanitary pads and 59% of those who requested received them. There were no requests made at RIHT clinic.
- Over three-quarters of young women requested for prevention of mother to child (PMTCT) treatment. This is evidence that young women are at risk of contracting HIV.
- Demand for male circumcision which has been shown to reduce the spread of HIV and AIDS is moderately high in Kadoma at 65% overall.
- Half of respondents requested an HIV test. 83% of those who requested the service received it. This is evidence of Zimbabwe's commitment to reduce HIV infections.
- Less than a third of respondents (31% overall) said health workers asked about their mental health. There is a need for addressing mental health issues as they mostly affect the youth.

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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KEY DATA FROM THE RAPID ASSESSMENT OF ASRHR SERVICES IN KADOMA CITY ZIMBABWE

Indicator	Kadoma City Council	Chemukute Clinic	Ngezi Clinic	Rimuka Clinic	Rimuka Integrated HIV & TB Clinic	Rimuka Maternity Home	Waverly Clinic
Total sample	146	20	19	91	3	8	6
% female	52%	55%	63%	52%	67%	25%	50%
% male	48%	45%	37%	48%	33%	75%	50%
Logistic information on health facilities							
Health facility within 10km from your home %	59%	95%	89%	46%	33%	50%	67%
The facility opens after school? %	53%	55%	53%	56%	33%	63%	17%
Did you know the facility opens after school? %							
The facility opens on weekends? %	74%	74%	68%	73%	100%	100%	83%
Did you know the facility opens on weekends? %							
The facility has a comfortable waiting and consultation area? %	79%	80%	89%	79%	100%	50%	83%
Average fee in USD	\$3	\$1	\$2	\$3	\$4	\$2	\$1
Quality of care							
Access to peer counsellors available %	81%	68%	89%	84%	67%	75%	67%
Young people treated with respect %	90%	100%	89%	86%	100%	100%	100%
Young people are treated without parent present %	54%	63%	26%	48%	33%	50%	33%
Young people have privacy %	81%	89%	74%	80%	100%	63%	100%
Young people have confidentiality %	90%	100%	79%	89%	100%	100%	100%
Health workers spend sufficient time with young people %	74%	89%	74%	71%	100%	63%	83%
Young people receive appropriate information %	87%	89%	68%	89%	100%	88%	100%
Sexual and reproductive health services (%)							
Maternal health							
% Young people who requested contraceptives	35%	21%	32%	38%	33%	38%	17%
% Young people who requested contraceptives that received contraceptives	75%	50%	67%	79%	100%	100%	0%
% Young women who requested a pregnancy test	29%	20%	17%	35%	0%	50%	0%
% Young women who received a pregnancy test	52%	100%	100%	38%		100%	
% Young women who were pregnant	5%	10%	8%	4%	0%	0%	0%
% pregnant women who requested prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT)	75%	0%	100%	100%			
% pregnant women who requested PMTCT that received PMTCT	100%		100%	100%			
Menstrual health							
% YW who requested pads	39%	20%	50%	43%	0%	50%	33%
% of those who requested pads that received pads	59%	50%	83%	55%		100%	0%
HIV and AIDS and STI							
% YM who requested male circumcision	65%	44%	86%	70%	0%	33%	67%
% of those who requested male circumcision received an appointment	93%	100%	100%	90%		100%	100%
% who requested HIV test	50%	58%	37%	51%	67%	38%	50%
% of those who requested who received HIV test	83%	91%	71%	83%	100%	100%	67%
% who requested STI test	24%	21%	26%	26%	0%	13%	17%
% who requested who received STI test	69%	75%	60%	67%		100%	100%
% who said Health worker asked about mental health	31%	11%	37%	36%	0%	25%	33%
Follow up and referral							
% who said the HW set up a follow up appointment	53%	53%	42%	54%	100%	38%	83%
% referred to a relevant facility	60%	68%	63%	56%	100%	50%	83%