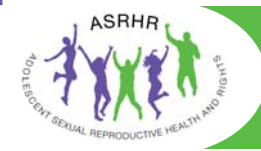


# MOLEMOLE COUNCIL RAPID ASSESSMENT OF ADOLESCENT SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (ASRHR)

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## FACT SHEET

This fact sheet is a summary of the findings of the ASRHR Rapid Assessment undertaken in the Molemole 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 Molemole, the study covered 2 clinics; 239 respondents: 51% young women and 49% 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

- Seventy-three percent of respondents reported being within 10 km of a clinic.
- Responses to whether the clinics open after school were high at 97%.
- The majority 97% of respondents, said that clinics open during weekends.
- Seventy-eight percent of respondents said that the clinic had a comfortable waiting area. Mangata Clinic (25%) had the least responses.
- None of the clinics charged fees for their services.

### Quality of care

- Seventy-seven percent of respondents said they were treated with respect.
- Eighty-three percent of young people indicated that there was privacy at the clinics.
- Eighty-five percent of respondents said they were treated with confidentiality. The responses were varied, ranging from 54% at Mangata Clinic to 94% at Nthabiseng Clinic.

<sup>1</sup> Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mauritius, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

<sup>2</sup> Blouberg, Brandwag, D'Almeida, Dana Bay, Emfuleni, Friemersheim, Great Brak, Hartenbos, Herberstsdale, Joburg City-Orange Farm-Region G, Joburg City-Soweto-Region D, Joe Slovo, Kwanonqaba, Lepelle Nkumpi, Midvaal, Mogale City, Molemole, Mossel Bay, Polokwane, Sonskyn Valley, eThekweni Ward 101, eThekweni Ward 11, eThekweni Ward 26, eThekweni Ward 31, eThekweni Ward 34, eThekweni Ward 68, eThekweni Ward 98 (Umkomaas), eThekweni Ward 98 (Umnini).

- Only half (51%) of respondents said that clinics did not require their parents to be present.
- Half (51%) of young people indicated that health workers spent sufficient time with them.
- Eighty-nine percent of young 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-four percent of young people requested contraceptives. The majority (91%) of those who requested contraceptives received them. Access to contraceptives is key to ensure that ASRH is prioritised.
- Only 34% of young women requested a pregnancy test and 94% of them received it. Eighteen percent of young women were pregnant at that time.
- At 36%, 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 97% of those who requested male circumcision received an appointment.
- Only 10% of youth requested PREP while 9% requested post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP).
- Only 38% of respondents requested an HIV test. A significant proportion (99%) of those who asked for this test received it.
- A relatively low percentage of respondents (22% overall) said health workers asked about their mental health. This is a concern, as ASRHR and mental health are closely linked.
- Sixty percent of young people said that a follow-up appointment was set up whilst 46% 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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KEY DATA FROM THE RAPID ASSESSMENT OF ASRHR SERVICES IN MOLEMOLE COUNCIL SOUTH AFRICA

Indicator	Molemole	Nthabiseng Clinic	Botlokwa Clinic	Mangata Clinic	Mokomene Clinic
Total sample	239	51	98	48	42
% female	51%	51%	51%	50%	55%
% gender non-conforming	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
% male	49%	49%	49%	50%	45%
<b>Logistic information on health facilities</b>					
Health facility within 10km from your home %	73%	100%	89%	8%	76%
The facility opens after school? %	97%	100%	99%	98%	86%
The facility opens on weekends? %	97%	100%	100%	100%	83%
The facility has a comfortable waiting and consultation area? %	78%	84%	99%	25%	86%
Does the facility charge a fee? %	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Average fee in USD	None	None	None	None	None
<b>Quality of care</b>					
Peer counsellors available %	64%	22%	70%	100%	73%
Young people treated with respect %	77%	76%	94%	48%	76%
Young people are treated without parent present %	64%	75%	82%	69%	33%
Young people have privacy %	83%	92%	96%	52%	79%
Young people have confidentiality %	85%	94%	98%	54%	85%
Health workers spend sufficient time with young people %	84%	71%	97%	79%	74%
Young people receive appropriate information %	89%	76%	99%	90%	83%
<b>Sexual and reproductive health services (%)</b>					
<b>Maternal health</b>					
% Young people who requested contraceptives	44%	45%	45%	50%	33%
% Young people who requested contraceptives that received contraceptives	91%	96%	93%	96%	69%
% Young women who requested a pregnancy test	34%	27%	43%	50%	10%
% Young women who received a pregnancy test	94%	100%	92%	100%	50%
% Young women who were pregnant	18%	15%	21%	25%	10%
% pregnant young women who requested ante-natal check-up	94%	100%	80%	100%	100%
% pregnant young women who received ante-natal check-up	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
% pregnant women who requested prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT)	93%	100%	50%	100%	100%
% pregnant women who requested PMTCT that received PMTCT	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
% Young women who requested post-natal care	17%	15%	16%	25%	11%
% Young women who requested post natal care who received post-natal care	93%	100%	67%	100%	100%
% Young women who requested help with breast feeding	16%	15%	14%	21%	11%
% Young women who requested that received help with breast feeding	93%	100%	67%	100%	100%
<b>Menstrual health</b>					
% Young women who requested pads	35%	4%	35%	83%	13%
% of those who requested pads that received pads	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
<b>HIV and AIDS and STI</b>					
% Young men who requested male circumcision	36%	16%	48%	54%	13%
% of those who requested male circumcision received an appointment	97%	100%	100%	100%	50%
% youth who requested PREP	10%	8%	6%	10%	18%
% youth who received PREP	94%	100%	100%	100%	83%
% who requested post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)	9%	8%	8%	8%	12%
% of those who requested who received PEP	93%	100%	67%	100%	100%
% who requested HIV test	38%	41%	64%	23%	14%
% of those who requested who received HIV test	99%	100%	100%	100%	80%
% who requested STI test	34%	43%	45%	35%	8%
% who requested who received STI test	93%	91%	100%	100%	33%
% who requested anti-retrovirals (ARVs)	4%	0%	16%	0%	3%
% who requested who received ARVs	100%		100%		100%
% who said Health worker asked about mental health	22%	4%	73%	0%	8%