

Needs Assessment Questions on Current Adolescent-Friendly Strategies at Your Site

Consider what you are currently doing well in your setting to ensure that services are adolescent-friendly.

1. What do you or your clinic currently do to provide adolescent-friendly sexual health services?
 - a. Which of these strategies are most successful?
 - b. Where is there room to improve?

Identify the people who interact most with youth in your clinic (e.g., front desk staff, medical providers, health educators, etc.) and consider opportunities to build skills in adolescent-friendly communication and care.

2. Who in your clinic interacts with youth or provides sexual health services or health education?
 - a. Do these staff have access to ongoing training and support in adolescent-friendly practices?
 - b. What processes are in place for these staff to receive feedback from youth directly?

Consider any barriers that stand in the way of providing adolescent-friendly care in your clinic or school.

3. What barriers exist to ensuring that all students feel safe and welcome and that their needs are respected and met in your setting?
 - a. What specific challenges do you or others face in interacting with youth in an adolescent-friendly manner?
 - b. What specific challenges does your clinic face in ensuring access to services?
 - c. What people or policies have limited your ability to provide adolescent-friendly care?

Brainstorm possible resources or assets that could help you or your organization better ensure adolescent-friendly services and care.

4. What resources (e.g., people, funding, partnerships) could help you or your clinic provide better or more adolescent-friendly services?
 - a. Are there particular staff members with expertise or skills that could be helpful in growing clinic capacity for adolescent-friendly care?
 - b. What current or potential funding mechanisms are available that could support additional staff or services?
 - c. Which community partners can you engage to supplement current efforts to provide adolescent-friendly services?