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HIV and AIDS: Tell Me More! Children's rights and sexuality in the context of HIV and AIDS in Africa [publication]

This publication documents children's opinions about the services and education they receive on sexuality and HIV and AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa. The report found that young children are rarely targeted in work on HIV and AIDS prevention and sexual and reproductive health initiatives and they are almost never asked their opinions about the services they are provided. It is evident that there are huge gaps between what adults think children need to protect themselves, and what children themselves think. This discrepancy can result in more children and young people who fall prey to HIV.

To download the publication,

see: <http://www.crin.org/resources/infoDetail.asp?ID=17381&flag=report>

Further information

More information on [children and HIV and AIDS on our issues page](#)
[Sexuality and life skills: Participatory practices on sexual and reproductive health with young people](#) (May 2008)

[General Comment no.3: HIV and AIDS and the rights of the child](#)

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Geographic focus: Africa-wide

Issue focus: children and youth; seeks grantees that have demonstrated potential to produce sustainable improvement in the lives of vulnerable children and youth and to serve as a resource or model for other organizations.

Grant size: US\$5,000 - \$20,000

Application process: open and rolling process; grants awarded twice per year; see website for additional details on eligibility criteria, to submit a letter of inquiry on their website,

see: http://www.globalfundforchildren.org/applyforagrant/grants_loi_form_english_v2.asp

Program Management Resources from Tearfund

Tearfund's ROOTS series stands for Resourcing Organisations with Opportunities for Transformation and Sharing. ROOTS publications aim to help Christian development organizations in their work. They provide detailed information on relevant topics. They are designed to help staff study and use them together.

The series includes books on Advocacy, Capacity Self-Assessment, Peace-Building within Communities, Project Cycle Management, Fundraising, Child Participation, HIV/AIDS—Taking Action, Reducing Risk of Disaster, Organizational Governance, Partnering with the Local Church, and Human Resource Management.

Materials and tools may be downloaded from <http://tilz.tearfund.org/Publications/ROOTS/>

Manual: Incorporating Gender into your NGO

This manual explains the basic concepts related to gender, followed by 'what to do and how to do it', both inside and outside an organization. It helps us scan all issues with a gender sensitive eye. Downloadable (512KB) at:

http://www.networklearning.org/library/task_cat_view/gid,43/

A related checklist on "Gender in the project cycle." also available from the website, includes such questions for consideration as:

- Is the project design based on a real understanding of the needs of men and women?
- Look at the planned results. Are they really what the male and female stakeholders need?
- Look at the daily life of the community. Look at who is using their time, labour, and resources. Which groups are in the most disadvantaged position? Why? How will the project make things better?
- How will the project contribute to the empowerment of men and women in the sector it deals with?
- Check that at all stages of the project cycle, any data collected is broken down into data related to women and data related to men – that is, gender disaggregated data.

Free online course: M&E Fundamentals

M&E Fundamentals is a two-hour self-instructional Web course that covers the

basics of program monitoring and evaluation (M&E) in the context of population, health and nutrition programs. It also defines common terms and discusses why M&E is essential for program management.

This course is designed for individuals as a self-guided resource, but it is also useful for learning or reviewing basic factual information before or during a traditional in-person training event.

To take this free course:

Go to <http://www.cpc.unc.edu/measure/training/mentor> and select "Interactive mini-course on M&E Fundamentals"

For more information about MEASURE Evaluation training materials and workshops, please visit www.cpc.unc.edu/measure/training.

As part of the Firelight Foundation's Monitoring, Evaluation and Technical Assistance (META) Program, Firelight provides "Newsflashes" to share relevant resources and information with our active grantee-partners via weekly emails and via post on a monthly basis. We hope that by facilitating access to information for grassroots, community-focused organizations, programming for children and families, as well as organizational development, is enhanced. We welcome your comments, feedback and ideas for upcoming Newsflashes at newsletter@firelightfoundation.org.