**Introduction**

- Adolescent health and well-being will shape both the future of the world’s health, and the achievement of the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals.
- The Child Health Education Programme (CHEP) is a community initiative that places paediatric residents from the University of Nairobi and Seattle Children’s Hospital within Kisii Community to train on rapid assessments, community diagnosis and advocacy for child health.
- Previous residents found early pregnancy, risky sexual behavior, and alcohol use to be consistent with national level studies (KDHS 2014).
- Importantly, these previous studies revealed that:
  - Male adolescents have several misconceptions about ASRH, and
  - Parents in the community felt that fathers are insufficiently involved in discussing matters of SRH with adolescents
- We thus thought it was essential to try and understand the male perspective of ASRH

**Objectives**

- Assess male adolescent perception of gender roles, adolescent sexuality, and reproductive health in South Mugirango.
- Assess male caregiver perception on their role in discussing matters of sexual and reproductive health with adolescents in South Mugirango.

**Methods**

- Key informant interviews (n=8)
- Focus group discussions (n=118)
- Semi structured questionnaire (n=10)
- Community forums (n=119)
- Qualitative data was then electronically transcribed, manually coded and then analysed using an inductive process

**Results**

![Root causes of adolescent pregnancy](image1.png)

**Conclusion & Recommendations**

- Community members identified poverty as a major determinant of adolescent health.
- They recognized that decreasing adolescent pregnancy rates will require multi-level interventions.
- An integrating socioecological model that provides a framework for proposed interventions needs to be evaluated for effectiveness.

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