

A Young Person's Voice – a youth perspective on Reproductive Health

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Peer Experiences



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Summary of findings

- STI prevention as focal point of reproductive education
- Limited discussion around abortion in high school and college, however more open dialogue at university
- A perceived lack of information provided in school on contraceptive choices, side-effects, and risks
- Services seen as accessible – 4 peers had previously accessed a reproductive health clinic for advice on contraception
- Cost is a large concern for students
- Males less familiar with contraception options
- OCP seen as contraceptive of choice, easy and less invasive
- Although the Mirena & Implanon more cost-effective long term, smaller, frequent outlays of OCP's still preferred
- Most young people will "Just Google it".