

ABSTRACT

Factors Which Contribute to the Attitudes of Healthcare Providers in Administering Care to Adolescents

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In this study, health care providers' attitudes were assessed. Youth-friendly or at least youth-tolerant and unbiased behaviour are key factors in the successful delivery and utilization of reproductive health services, and other health care.

Several factors influence the professionals' attitude in carrying out their duties. The experiences of adolescence, training and job experience as well as demographic factors are included.

The results showed that despite the religious strength of most respondents, their peers thought that generally they were not supportive of adolescents. The study shed light on the need for an integrated approach encompassing not only knowledge and practice, but also attitude. It allows Public Health authorities an opportunity to develop and implement services that not only enhance adolescent care but allows health care practitioners, in this instance, Nurses and midwives to attain optimum health.