

Grenada - School Health Prevention Intervention Programme



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Drugs & Alcohol

Intervention

- Drug Control Secretariat in the Min. Of Ed.
- School Policy on Drugs
- Early Childhood Life skills Curriculum on Drugs
- Life skills HFLE Curriculum inclusive of Alcohol & Drug use/abuse
- Periodic surveys conducted at the secondary level
- DARE Programme to be reintroduced in schools _
By the Police Department.

Drug ...

Challenges

- Insufficient resource/materials to enhance the teaching of the life skills programme (some schools do not have room/proper accommodation for showing/viewing video on related subject matter)
- Lack of Finance to run Training workshops for teachers; purchase DVD/Video player and TV to aid lesson..

Sexual Behaviours that Contribute to HIV/AIDS/STIs

Interventions

- Life skills-based HFLE in all schools (Primary through to Tertiary)
- HFLE Subject Leaders in all schools (they receive on-going training and share with the rest of the staff; they teach additional classes which other teachers lack the confidence to do themselves.
- Abstinence programme in most schools run by the Catholic Church

Sexual...

- A Mentoring programme (sponsored by cable & wireless) soon to be introduced in all schools
- Do have a HFLE policy (to be revised)
- Do have a HIV/AIDS co-ordinator
- Guidance Counselors in all schools
- School Attendance Officers working with all schools
- Parenting programme; training via UWI open campus (50 persons/facilitators); Active NPTA

Sexual...

Challenges

- Teacher Training in the area of Life Skills
- Rapid teacher-turnover, especially at the secondary level
- Insufficient resource materials (which is needed to enhance the teaching in the classroom)
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Unintentional Injuries & Violence

Intervention

- Life skills programmes
- Existence of school clubs, Young Leaders Programme.
- Reintroduction of the Cadet Core in some secondary schools.

Unintentional...

Challenges

- Lack of teacher commitment to extra curriculum activities

Hygiene, Dietary Behaviours & Overweight

Intervention

- School Feeding Programme (in all primary but some sec. and pre-primary school)
- Additional cooks & Supervisors (who monitor storage of materials & cooking of food)
- Training of cooks in food preparation etc.
- HFLE life-skills programme inclusive of “Eating & Fitness”

Hygiene...

Challenges

- Need for a breakfast programme
- Lack of sufficient funds to do breakfast programme and on-going training workshops

Physical Activity

Intervention

- All schools do have a PE Curriculum
- All secondary school do have Specially trained PE Teachers (primary school teachers do teach PE to their own class).

Challenges

- Primary Teachers' attitude towards PE (some are still seen on the field with regular clothes)

Mental Health

Intervention

- Inclusive in life skills HFLE programme

Challenges

- Need workshop training for teachers & parents
- Insufficient awareness made via the use of the media

Other Intervention Programmes

Interventions

- Roving Care Givers (for vulnerable parents)
- Special Education Officer
- Enhance Learning Programme
- Adult literacy programme

Challenges

- Finance/resource materials