

Critical issue module 4

Sexual and reproductive health

Topic 2 The law and child rights

Handout 2



Sexual rights of young people Scenarios

A young man is about to jump off a high bridge, because he is in love with his best male friend and thinks there's something wrong with him

- 1 Which rights are violated in this situation?
- 2 What would you do if this were your friend?
- 3 If you were the president of your country what would you do to address this issue?

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A young women who is living with AIDS is told by a service provider she should not have sex and she should not get pregnant

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A young boy cannot go to the local clinic to get tested for HIV because he is under 18 and needs parental consent and doesn't want to tell his parents.

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A young unmarried girl doesn't get access to education and counselling on safer sex because she is not married.

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 - 2** What would you do if this were your friend?
 - 3** If you were the president of your country what would you do to address this issue?
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A 14-year-old girl feels lonely and isolated because she is married against her will to an older man in another village. She knows that he has other sex partners, but he refuses to use a condom when having sex with her because he wants her to have a child.

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