Teen Health

Year Published: 2014
Publisher: Glencoe/McGraw-Hill
Website: http://glencoe.com/
Full or Supplemental: Full
Grade Level: Middle School (6-8)
Student Population: General

Duration/Number of Lessons: On-line curriculum with 11 topic-related student workbooks; intended to be used as needed/desired by each teacher

Evidence-Based – CDC or HHS/OAH registry; National Campaign database; ETR database: No

Healthy Youth Act Compliance: With significant modification (see ratings and reviewer comments)

AIDS Omnibus Act Compliance: With modification (see ratings and reviewer comments)

National Standards Alignment: No

Format and Features: On-line; many multi-media components available; 11 student workbooks provided on a variety of topics, including six with sexual health content (Your Body Systems, Health during the Life Cycle, Healthy Relationships and Sexuality, Building Healthy Relationships, Preventing Disease); resources for teachers, such as lesson planners, assessment, and two-assignment communication

Professional Development: No
REVIEWERS’ COMMENTS

Review 1

Reviewer ID 12
This highly accessible curriculum provides an impressive amount of knowledge based instruction. The curriculum could be strengthened with more focus on actual skill building, student assessment, and inclusion of student health concerns from marginalized communities.

Review 2

Reviewer ID 13
Overall the sexual health information presented in these books is appropriate and acceptable for the middle school level.

There are 11 books in the series and I found concepts associated with sex education, healthy relationships, STDs and HIV, teen parenting, bullying, sexuality, and contraception information in six different books (the six books are Preventing Disease, Health During the Life Cycle, Building Character and Preventing Bullying, Building Healthy Relationships, Healthy Relationships and Sexuality, and Conflict Resolution and Violence Prevention.)

Much of the information seems to be lacking in comprehensive detail.

The online teacher's guide is difficult to use and is lacking in detail and direction as it does not provide directions as to the order the teacher should present the information, lesson objectives, or key points the teacher should highlight. There is access to worksheets online in the teacher’s guide which are in addition to the worksheets in the student guide. Student worksheets are also available online and it appears they could be saved and submitted to the teacher online if the teacher set this option up.

Review 3

Reviewer ID 15
This curriculum offers a variety of activities and ideas for incorporating skills. The online resources are valuable for enhancing activities. Students will have multiple opportunities to practice decision making skills with this curriculum.

Review 4

Reviewer ID 18
I am impressed by the breadth of this curriculum. The information is relevant, age-appropriate, and medically accurate. The section on contraception is good but is missing statistics explaining the effectiveness rates.

The supplements can stand alone but I would recommend the following sequence:

Your body systems; health during the life cycle; mental and emotional health; building character and preventing bullying; conflict resolution and violence prevention; building healthy relationships; healthy relationships and sexuality; and preventing disease.