

# Sexual Health Education Instructional Materials Review

# **Human Sexuality**

Year Published: 2009

Publisher: Glencoe/McGraw Hill

Website: <u>https://www.mheducation.com/prek-12/product/glencoe-health-human-sexuality-student-edition-mcgraw-hill/9780078883491.html</u>

Full or Supplemental: Full/supplemental (can be offered as a standalone course or as part of the full Glencoe Health curriculum)

Grade Level: 9-12

Student Population: General

Duration/Number of Lessons: 21 lessons

Format and Features: Student workbook, available in Spanish

Evidence-based/informed: Not available

National Standards Alignment: No

Consistent with Healthy Youth Act? Only with Significant Modification

Consistent with AIDS Omnibus Act? No

Bias Free Materials: No

**HIV** Prevention

### Primary Topical Areas (Check all that apply)

□Abortion	□ Identity/Orientation
⊠Abstinence	□Online Safety
□ Access to Services	Pregnancy & Reproduction
Anatomy and Physiology	Puberty/Adolescent Development
⊠Communication/Decision-making	□Refusal Skills
□Condom Use	□ STD Prevention
	□Other
□ Contraception	
Healthy relationships	

## **Reviewer Comments:**

#### Reviewer 105: Grades 9-12

This curriculum does have some useful material, but it would need too much supplementation to really be useful. It does not specifically address consent or laws related to sexual offenses. It doesn't identify youth-friendly sexual health services or describe laws relating to accessing sexual health care services. It only vaguely describes how to use a condom, and although it mentions STD treatment and testing, it doesn't really advocate for it.

#### Reviewer 106: Grades 6-8, 9-12

This material dated, judgmental, and exclusionary. The information is not consistently accurate and is biased to abstinence only sexual health.

#### Reviewer 107: Grades 9-12

The general feeling after reviewing this curriculum was, "OK"...but where is MORE? Glencoe's Human Sexuality is generic and traditional. It doesn't allow for anything other than traditional heterosexual marriages. It mainly promotes abstinence and uses fear-based scenarios. IUD's are not included in birth control methods, and "gender" is not even in the glossary. I would not use this curriculum.

#### Reviewer 113: Grades 9-12

Effort appears to have been made to create a curriculum that meets required learning standards and at the same time remain as conservative as possible (which would effectively expand their market). Transgender issues are not included at all. Emphasis is on abstinence and sex within the context of marriage.

#### Reviewer 114: Grades 9-12

The curriculum does not meet the majority of the Washington State Learning Standards. Material presented appears to be conservative as it is bias towards heterosexual relationships within the same race, minimal discussion of connection with resources outside of parents, marriage between a man and a woman, and demonstrates "traditional" gender norms when discussing relationships and abuse. This would not be a curriculum I would use in my classroom.

#### Accuracy Analysis Reviewer 101

This publication is clearly outdated and has multiple errors with regard to HIV and STDs. The release date of the publication is 2009, and many advances in science and the medical community have made this publication outdated and rife with issues. I would not recommend using this information in 2019 to teach about HIV and STDs.