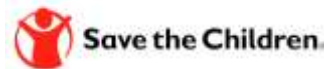


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Engaging scale-up stakeholders early
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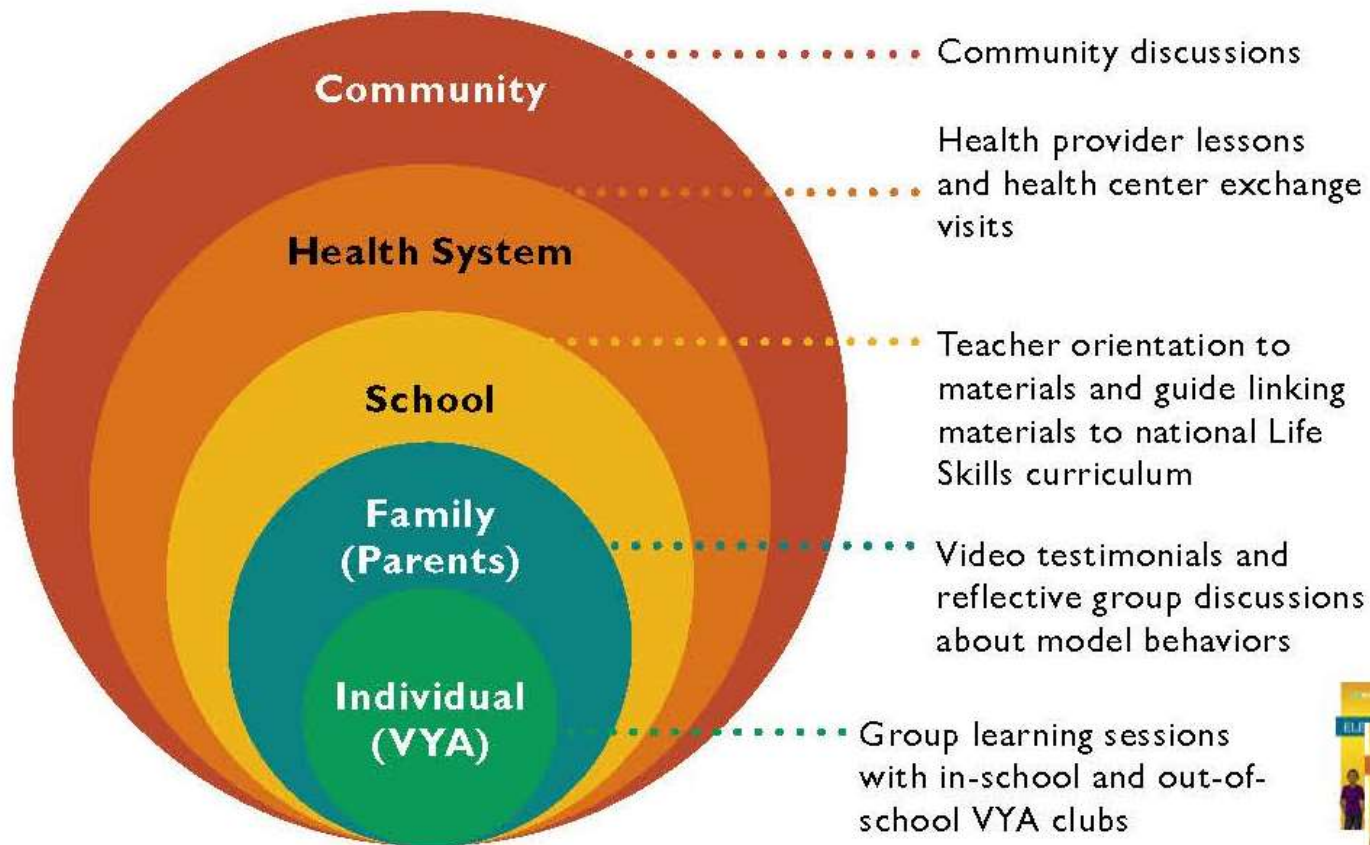
What is Growing Up GREAT?



Growing Up GREAT! is a gender-transformative sexual and reproductive health program for very young adolescents (10-14 years) in Kinshasa, DRC.

Piloted from September 2017-May 2018 in two poor communes of Kinshasa and scaled up into additional sites since 2019.

Intervention Design





LAYING THE GROUNDWORK
FOR SCALE-UP

Stakeholder Reference Group

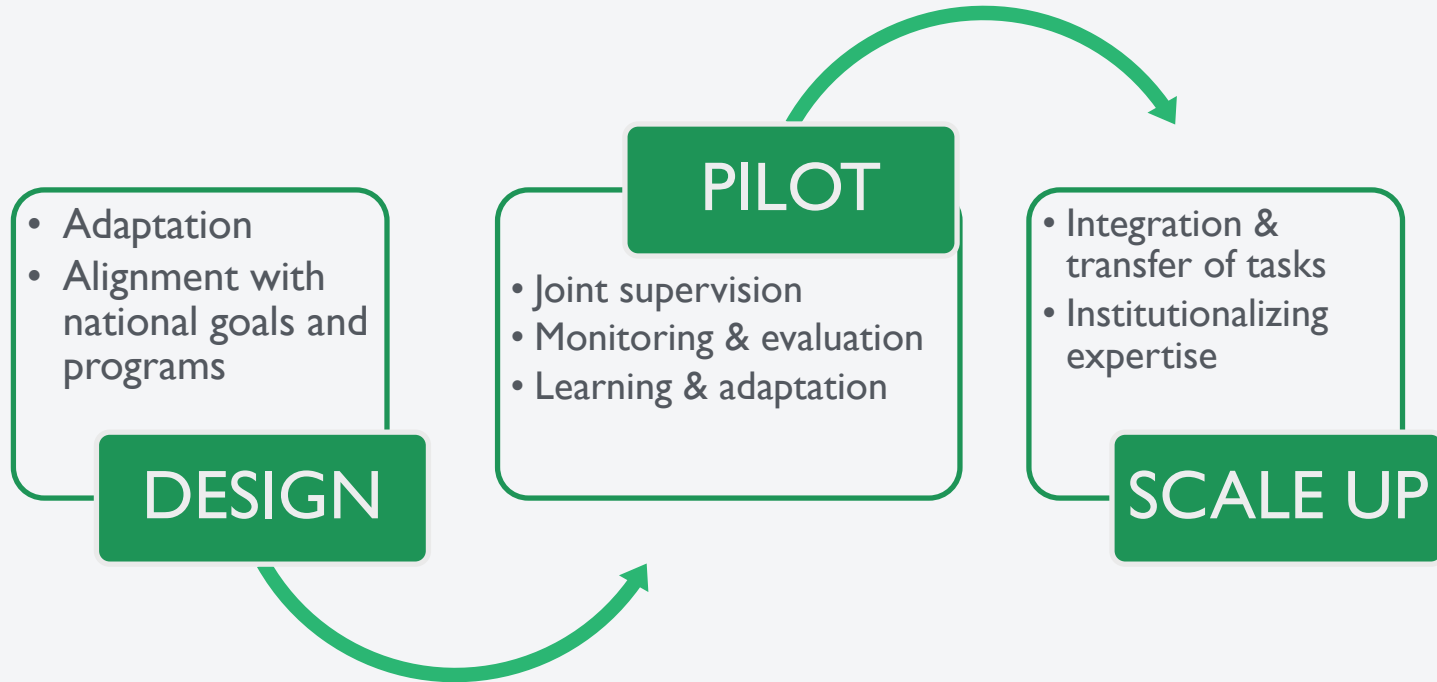
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Partnership & Engagement





RESULTS OF PARTNERSHIP

Institutionalization Partners



MOE

Clubs for in-school
VYAs

Integration into
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Family Life Education



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Family and community
activities
(community cadres)

Health exchange visits
(facility-based providers)



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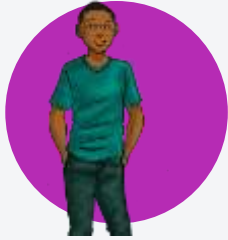
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Scale-up Challenges

1. Need for a multi-sectoral coordinating body
2. Gaps in supervision structures and tools
3. Lack of earmarked funding in government budgets
4. Desire for pay among teachers and volunteer cadres

Implications



Understand and align with partners' needs, goals and platforms



Clearly define and formalize roles and responsibilities within the partnership



Engage partners in all learning, adaptation and decision-making processes



Advocate early and often for continued financial stewardship

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