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LIST OF ACRONYMS AND KEY PHRASES

ACASI Audio Computer-Assisted Self-Interview

CBOs Community-Based Organizations

DiD Difference in Differences

DRC Democratic Republic of Congo

FACT Project Fertility Awareness for Community Transformation

FLE Family Life Education

GAD-7 Generalized Anxiety Disorder-7

GBV Gender-based violence

GEAS Global Early Adolescent Study

GUG! Growing Up GREAT!

HIV Human Immunodeficiency Virus

IRH Institute for Reproductive Health at Georgetown University

IS In-school

ITT Intention to treat

JHSPH Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

KSPH Kinshasa School of Public Health

MOE Ministry of Education
MOH Ministry of Health

OOS Out-of-school

PHQ9 Patient Health Questionnaire

PNSA Programme National de la Santé des Adolescents

SGBV Sexual and gender-based violence SRH Sexual and reproductive health

USAID United States Agency for International Development

VYAs Very young adolescents

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Background

The Global Early Adolescent Study (GEAS) is a worldwide investigation into how gender norms evolve and inform a spectrum of health outcomes in adolescence. The longitudinal GEAS study follows the experiences of over 15,000 very young adolescent boys and girls (10 - 14 years) on five continents as they mature into older adolescents and young adults (15 to 19 years). In Kinshasa, the study also evaluates Growing Up GREAT! (GUG!), a multi-level intervention that works with very young adolescents, their families, and community stakeholders to shift gender norms towards improved health.

Methodology

This report outlines the impact of the GUG! intervention using difference-in-differences analyses to compare average changes in the intervention vs. control group over time (Wave 5 versus Wave 1). It also provides cross-sectional findings for sexual and reproductive health (SRH) indicators newly introduced in wave 5.

GEAS Findings: Cohort and Evaluation Results

Evaluation findings at Wave 5 show that some intervention effects persist four years after the 9-month intervention ended. GUG! participants at Wave 5 were still more likely to hold egalitarian views about household chore sharing than adolescents in the control groups, although the gender-equitable attitudes did not translate into behavioral change in chore sharing over time. GUG! impacts related to SRH knowledge and communication seen at Wave 2 mostly faded away over time, with the exception of pregnancy knowledge which remained at higher levels among the intervention group compared to the control group. Interestingly, long-term novel impacts of the intervention started emerging in Wave 5 as more adolescents became romantically engaged and sexually active. Specifically, gender stereotypes related to sexuality and heterosexual relations diminished among GUG! participants relative to controls, which could inform more egalitarian relations as young people transition into adulthood.

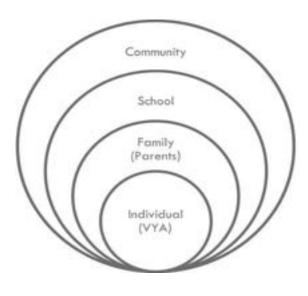
Intervention Implications

Wave 5 data indicate that the GUG! intervention has lasting effects on some dimensions of SRH knowledge and gender norms and attitudes, which could inform more egalitarian relations as young people transition into adulthood.

ABOUT THE GROWING UP GREAT! INTERVENTION

GUG! is a multi-level intervention for VYAs, their parents and caregivers and other influential community members. GUG! was implemented by Save the Children in Kinshasa from September 2017 to June 2018. It used an ecological approach to provide information and address social and gender norms related to reproductive health and wellbeing at each of the ecological levels (as shown in Figure 1), with the goal of improving both in-school and out-of-school VYAs' SRH knowledge and assets; fostering gender-equitable attitudes and norms and non-violent attitudes and behaviors.

Figure 1 | The Socio-Ecological Model



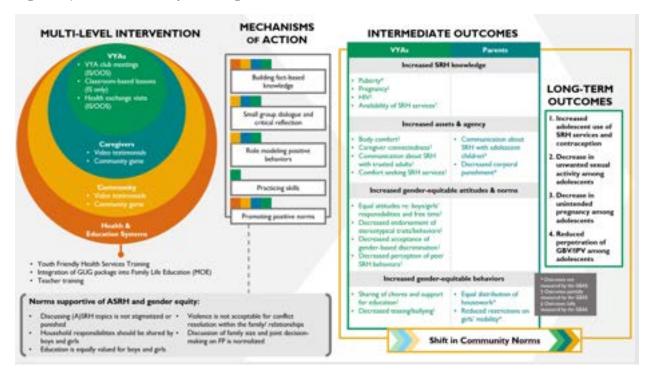
The intervention was guided by a theory of change (TOC) that articulates how multiple reinforcing change mechanisms contribute to outcomes while simultaneously fostering supportive social norms (Figure 2). The TOC and underlying intervention materials target attitudes and behaviors directly relevant not only to VYAs but also the adults in their lives (e.g., equitable sharing of chores, intergenerational discussion about puberty and future goals). As shown in the TOC (Figure 2), the four intermediate outcomes of the GUG! intervention are:

- Increase VYA SRH knowledge
- Increase VYA and Parent/Caregiver¹ assets and agency
- Increase VYA gender-equitable attitudes and norms
- Increase VYA and Parent/Caregiver genderequitable and non-violent behaviors.

GUG! was informed by other successful approaches for improving gender equity and reproductive health among adolescents, and it incorporates evidence-based recommendations for health interventions with young people. It purposefully targets VYAs, a critical demographic group, to reach them prior to the onset of puberty. This early intervention is intended to provide an opportunity to shape the health trajectory and proactively prevent reproductive and other health problems, rather than addressing health issues as they arise. It also employs a holistic approach to VYA health interventions, acknowledging the multiple layers of influence from parents, peers, teachers and community leaders.

¹ Note: the GEAS study was designed to assess only adolescent outcomes. Parent/caregiver outcomes were assessed via qualitative interviews in 2018. See: Growing Up GREAT! Shows Promise in Skills Development and Norms Shifting After One Year. January 2021. Washington, D.C.: Institute for Reproductive Health, Georgetown University for the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Available from: https://irh.org/resource-library/gug-wave-1-and-2-impact-brief/.

Figure 2 | The GUG! Theory of Change



Activities for Very Young Adolescents

Both in-school and out-of-school VYAs participate in weekly meetings of mixed sex groups using a set of interactive materials from the GUG! toolkit (see Figure 3) to discuss and reflect on norms. Participating VYAs are grouped into clubs with approximately 25 of their peers. In-school VYAs participate in self-facilitated school-based clubs led by trained VYA leaders for the duration of the school year (about 20 sessions), while out-of-school VYAs participate in community-based clubs led by trained facilitators from local community-based organizations (about 28 sessions). All VYA clubs participate in one session led by a health provider trained in providing adolescent-friendly health services, and also a visit to the nearest facility to foster health system linkages and reduce stigma.

Activities for Parents and Caregivers

Parents of VYA club members participate in a series of guided discussions prompted by six different testimonial videos featuring parents in their communities who have adopted key outcome (target) behaviors related to gender, girls' education and communication about puberty and sexuality. Discussions are led by trained facilitators from CBOs and focus on the social norms underlying and driving health behaviors.

School-based Activities

Teachers and other school officials are engaged in several ways. Three focal point teachers at each school are oriented to the GUG! toolkit and provided with a resource document to help them link activities to the national life-skills curriculum. Teachers also serve as resources for VYA school clubs and mentors for VYA club leaders. School-based activities are intended to have a whole-school reach beyond VYA club members to support diffusion of new ideas and encourage social norm change.

However, there is no prescribed number or frequency of in-school sessions, so classroom-based use of intervention materials varies by school.

Activities for the Community

Community members are invited to participate in a fun and interactive game to explore norms around VYA health and gender, and to view and reflect on the video testimonials developed for parent sessions. Teamwork and debate during collaborative gameplay and reflections following the video viewings both provide opportunities for community members to discuss how norms influence behaviors that impact VYAs. An effort is made to engage traditional and religious leaders, as well as other influential persons in these activities.

Figure 3 | The GUG! Toolkit

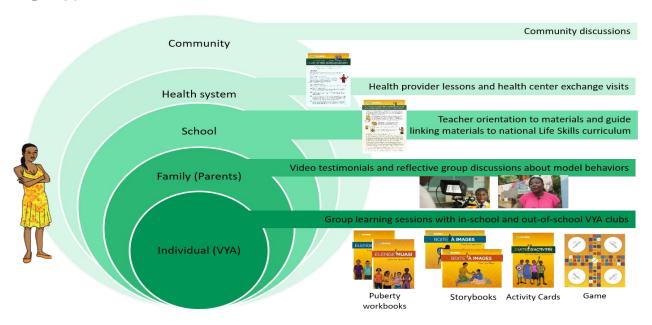


Table 1 | Growing Up GREAT! Multi-level Intervention Package

Level	Activity	Materials
(VYA)	In-school: about 20 weekly club sessions (peer-led) Out-of-school: about 28 weekly club sessions (adult facilitated)	Puberty workbooks (girls & boys) Storybooks (girls & boys) Activity cards Game
	Six video screenings and facilitated discussions	Testimonial videos
School	Classroom-based sessions (teacher-led; at will – no fixed frequency)	Resources for teachers that link to the National Family Life Education Curriculum
	One provider-led session per VYA club One health center visit per VYA club	Guide for provider-led lesson Instructions for health center visit
Community	Collaborative community sessions (monthly)	Testimonial videos Community Game

ABOUT THE GLOBAL EARLY ADOLESCENT STUDY

Overview

GEAS is the first global study to explore the process of gender socialization in early adolescence, and how this process informs health and behavioral trajectories for boys and girls throughout adolescence and across contexts.

Longitudinal study

The GEAS uses a longitudinal design to assess the relationship between evolving gender norms and a range of key health outcomes across the adolescent period - including sexual health, gender-based violence and mental health - as well as the ways this is influenced by factors at individual, family, community and societal levels. The study provides unique insights into how these relationships vary across cultures and by sex. In a subset of sites including Kinshasa, the GEAS is used in conjunction with a gender transformative intervention to assess shifts in individual gender beliefs and influences on health trajectories over time.

Kinshasa was the first longitudinal site of the GEAS and is operated by the Kinshasa School of Public Health (KSPH) in collaboration with the GEAS Coordinating Center at Johns Hopkins University. The project is jointly funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) as part of the global **Passages Project**. Passages is led by the Institute for Reproductive Health, Georgetown University (IRH) and a consortium of partners including the GEAS, Save the Children, Tearfund and FHI 360. The Passages Project, funded by USAID, aims to transform social norms at scale to promote family planning and reproductive health by testing and evaluating normative change interventions. Under the Passages Project, the GEAS serves to evaluate Growing Up GREAT!, an intervention led by Save the Children and its community-based organization (CBOs) partners to transform reproductive health and gender norms among very young adolescents (VYAs) ages 10-14 at baseline in Kinshasa.

Study setting

Emerging from more than three decades of war, with significant civil strife remaining in some of the eastern and central provinces, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is one of the poorest countries in the world and ranks 153 out of 191 on the Human Development Index (UNDP, 2022). In addition to civil strife, DRC has a disproportionately young population which experiences a range of sexual and reproductive health risks: over half (57%) of DRC's population is under 24 years of age, and by 18 years of age, 12.7% of girls are married, 11.4% have had their first birth, 52.7% have had sex, and 24.5% have ever used contraception (PMA, 2020). The DRC has ranked among the top 10 countries with the highest 12-month prevalence rates of intimate partner violence (IPV) (UNFPA, GHRB, & PDB, 2021). The high prevalence of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) - 57% of women reported sexual or physical violence at some point in their lives with 27% of those women reporting sexual violence (DHS, 2013-2014) — reveals deep-rooted gender- inequitable norms and practices that are predominant across the country. Women's rights are limited in several facets - including access to owning land, restricted civil liberties, minimal participation in the government and the labor force - resulting in women's higher rates of poverty and lower rates of literacy compared to men (Matundu Mbambi & Faray-Kele, 2010; DHS 2013-2014).

Kinshasa, where the GUG! intervention took place, is the second largest city in sub-Saharan Africa with over 17 million inhabitants, comprising over 16% of the entire country's population. The total population has rapidly increased in recent years with migration from conflict-affected areas in central and eastern DRC. The city is a complex, challenging and at times violent place to live, with high rates of poverty and unemployment, inequality, and low-quality education and health.

However, greater access to and use of services is also apparent: at 4.4 the total fertility rate in Kinshasa is lower than other parts of the country; and the modern contraceptive prevalence rate is also higher than other provinces at 21% (PMA2020).

In Kinshasa in 2018, 22% of girls 18-24 years had been married before age 18 and 13.6% had given birth by the age of 18 (PMA2020, 2018). These estimates are higher among the poorest adolescents, placing these girls at higher risk of pregnancy-related complications and death. Girls who are pregnant and/or childbearing are more likely than peers to drop out of school increasing the economic burden on themselves and their families. Only 77.5% of children in Kinshasa enroll in primary school, with fewer girls enrolling than boys (INS 2017-2018). In urban Kinshasa, the 16% of school-age children who are out-of-school (OOS) — are at even higher risk of sexually transmitted infections (STIs), pregnancy and gender-based violence (GBV) compared to their in-school (IS) peers. The communes of Masina and Kimbanseke, where the GUG! intervention and GEAS evaluation take place, represent some of Kinshasa's poorest and most challenging environments for both in- and out-of-school youth.

The government has been proactive in supporting youth with a specific department under the Ministry of Health (MOH) for adolescents, le Programme National de la Santé des Adolescents (PNSA), and a national family life education curriculum mandated by the Ministry of Education (MOE). Additionally, in 2019 the government made primary education free for students. However, although these initiatives remain under-resourced and require additional capacity strengthening to fully support the inclusion of GUG! activities in national strategies to meet the needs of Congolese adolescents. This gap in policy and practice results in few younger adolescents who are able to access good quality, age-appropriate reproductive health information and services.

While it is true that many risks to adolescent reproductive health exist, it is equally true that pro-youth policies and national structures also provide direction, with significant opportunities for substantial improvements in health and well-being, especially if efforts are made to strengthen the foundations of sustainable development, including youth capacity and gender equality.

GEAS-KINSHASA STUDY DESIGN

The GEAS study in Masina and Kimbanseke, Kinshasa, combines 1) an observational cohort research study that explores how perceptions of gender norms are co-constructed in early adolescence and how they predict a spectrum of outcomes, and 2) an impact evaluation to assess the effects of the GUG! intervention among early adolescents in Kinshasa. The impact evaluation component is included in a single GEAS design in Kinshasa defined as a longitudinal quasi-experimental study with an intervention and a control arm, each divided into 2 subgroups based on school status: In-school and out-of-school adolescents. Altogether 2,842 adolescents completed the baseline study between June and November 2017. Based on data quality, 10 participants were excluded from the final sample based on the share of survey questions to which they provided no meaningful response (i.e. "Don't know" or "Refuse" responses), or consistent assessment by the interviewer as poor response quality (i.e. poor perceived response accuracy or comprehension). Nearly 65% of these baseline participants (n=1,856) were followed-up at Wave 5, a notable achievement in context of the developmental period of the respondents—one marked with transition and change.

STUDY POPULATION

Eligibility criteria

Adolescents were initially included in the study if they were 10-14 years old at the time of baseline interview, had given assent to participate in the study, lived in the study neighborhoods of Masina or Kimbanseke, and if their parents or guardians consented to their child's participation in the study.

Baseline Sampling

Out of School

At baseline, adolescents were recruited using a multi-stage sampling procedure. First, neighborhoods in the two communes were sampled using simple random sampling procedure and divided into intervention and control neighborhoods. In each selected intervention neighborhood, out-of-school adolescents aged 10-14 years old were identified by Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) in partnership with Save the Children. The CBOs mapped the OOS adolescents living in the included neighborhoods and established a sampling list. They then narrowed this list to those adolescents who met the following criteria: left school over two years ago, did not expect to be enrolled in school the following year, and did not expect to leave their current neighborhood. Adolescents were then selected from this list by simple random sampling to establish groups of 25 children that were recruited for the intervention.

A similar process was used to recruit the out-of-school adolescents in the control neighborhoods. With the help of CBOs, out-of-school adolescents were identified through the same mapping procedure. In each control neighborhood, two separate lists were established by sex, and sorted by age in order to obtain an acceptable age distribution. These lists were numbered and subsequently used to draw a random sample (with backups) using random number generation in Microsoft Excel. The list of selected children was then given to the CBOs to contact parents and adolescents to invite them to participate in the survey. In the event a child and/or guardian refused to participate, replacement participants were selected from the backup list. This process was repeated until the required sample size was achieved.

In School

In-school adolescents were recruited in the same intervention and control neighborhoods as out-of-school adolescents to facilitate follow-up for the intervention groups and avoid contamination across study groups. Save the Children and CBOs conducted a mapping exercise of all schools in neighborhoods within the two selected municipalities that included all primary or secondary schools enrolling adolescents ages 10-14 within each municipality. Schools were grouped by intervention and control neighborhoods and by school type (e.g., public, religious, or private). Twenty schools in each commune, half intervention and half controls were selected using Excel, with the expectation that each school would enroll 25 students in the survey. School leaders were invited to a meeting with the research team to provide an explanation of the survey, and subsequently establish a list of all pupils aged 10-14 each in the control and intervention zones. In the event that the list included 25 adolescents or less, all children were contacted. If a school's list was greater than 25 students, simple random sampling was applied to select 25 participants, divided by sex. The list was given to the school leaders to facilitate contact with participants.

Wave 5 Sampling

The Kinshasa School of Public Health team followed two different approaches to re-contact in-school and out-of-school participants for annual follow-up waves (i.e., at Waves 2 - 5) of data collection,

though the information collected from each participant's family was consistent (household addresses and phone numbers).

- In School participants were contacted through school administration and teachers, using existing school channels to establish survey times and notify participants. Participants who were in school at baseline but had left, transferred schools or moved, were tracked using existing information from teachers and school administrators, as well as neighborhood CBOs and resources. However, teachers and school administrators were limited in their ability to locate participating students who had changed schools between waves.
- Out of school participants were located by KSPH in coordination with a team of representatives
 from non-governmental organizations and community-based associations working in the
 participating neighborhoods. In cases where OOS adolescents were difficult to reach, data
 collection teams contacted neighbors to collect additional information to locate participants.

Before starting data collection for Wave 5, the data collection team met to establish a list of all participants from Wave 4 to be recontacted, including their household address and phone numbers. To facilitate data collection, each surveyor was assigned the same participants they surveyed from Wave 4. All identified participants were invited to participate in Wave 5 using the same data collection procedures as baseline, with 2,190 re-interviewed at Wave 5 and 1,865 (~65%) matched to baseline respondents and 1,834 of them retained after exclusion of poor-quality interviews. Weights were created to account for loss-to-follow-up.

DATA COLLECTION PROCEDURES

Wave 5 data collection took place between June and August, 2022. Data collectors, all of whom had conducted previous waves of data collection, received four days of refresher training on the questionnaires and a pretest prior to data collection. Surveys were administered in person at the adolescent household, following local guidelines for group size restrictions. Participants were instructed not to attend their scheduled survey time if they experienced any COVID-19 symptoms, though this was never necessary. All data collection centers and tablets were sanitized, and participants and data collectors were required to wear masks while at the study setting. Data collection was conducted using face-to-face interviews with an interviewer, with sensitive questions administered using Audio Computer-Assisted Self-Interview (ACASI) to promote privacy. Whenever possible, interviewer and respondent sex were matched. The interviews on average took 1.5 hours including time for at least two breaks. Each interviewer conducted a maximum of two interviews per day. Interviews were conducted in Lingala using tablets and uploaded to the SurveyCTO server.

GEAS WAVE 5 GUG EVALUATION RESULTS

This section describes differences between the intervention and the control groups four years after the end of the intervention, while accounting for baseline differences. This "difference in differences" (DID) approach specifically focuses on how the two groups have evolved since baseline and how these changes compare between the two groups. We present results based on intention to treat analysis (ITT, comparison of intervention and control regardless of GUG! exposure). Sensitivity analysis were conducted using per protocol analyses, restricting the analytical sample to participants who participated in the intervention and controls who were not exposed (excluding possible contamination). PPA and ITT results were largely consistent with the DID results, with more information available in Appendices D and E. All analyses are weighted to account for attrition.

GROWING UP GREAT EXPOSURE

The GUG! Intervention (September 2017 to June 2018) was designed to engage VYAs in weekly club sessions over the course of the nine months of the school year (for IS VYAs). Out-of-school adolescents joined club sessions for an additional two months. Overall, after accounting for regular holiday breaks and exam periods, VYA school clubs met for approximately 26 weekly sessions while community-based clubs (for out-of-school VYAs) met for an average of 28 weekly sessions. There was no standard format for weekly meetings. Club facilitators could use any materials from the VYA toolkit that they desired, in any order or frequency, though they were encouraged to use all materials in full at least once by the end of the intervention period. The VYA toolkit included three materials for group use – storybooks (one for boys, one for girls), activity cards, and an interactive game. Puberty books for girls and boys were distributed to each participating VYA as take-home materials, though they could also be used as references or to inspire discussion during weekly sessions.

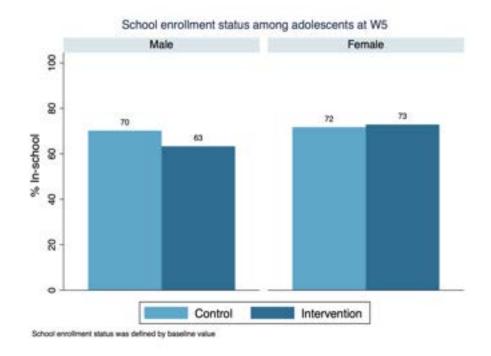
While the intervention officially covered roughly one academic year (between baseline and Wave 2 of the GEAS), exposure to GUG activities was reported in the second year. The continued exposure to GUG! activities even after the intervention was officially over may reflect the integration of GUG! materials and activities in the school curriculum, either as a continuation of previous activities or as a scale up process as the GUG! intervention was expanded to other communes in Kinshasa.

Thus, forty percent of adolescents in the intervention group indicated participating in at least one of the three activities (VYA club, classroom session, or community session) in the six months prior to Wave 3. Roughly a quarter (24%) of adolescents in the control group were exposed to GUG! activities in the six months preceding Wave 3, most of whom (80%) were in school. Exposure to GUG! activities was not assessed in Waves 4 or 5.

SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS AT WAVE 5

At Wave 5, the mean age of adolescents included in the GEAS survey was 16.2 years old. 67.0% of boys and 72.3% of girls were still in school. Boys in the control group were more likely to attend school at Wave 5 than those in the intervention group; while similar proportions of girls attended school at Wave 5 regardless of their study group status. Half of adolescents lived with both parents (control: 50.7% vs. intervention: 49.2%) and 39.8% of adolescents lived in the poorest households (lowest tertiles, control: 41.6% vs. intervention: 37.7%). In Wave 5, half of adolescents reported spending time with peers on a daily basis (control: 51.4% vs. intervention: 47.6%).

Figure 4 | School enrollment status (Wave 5)



COMPARISON BETWEEN INTERVENTION AND CONTROL AT BASELINE AND WAVE 5

We present Wave 5 results by the four GUG! intervention target outcomes (as presented in the GUG! Theory of Change - Figure 3 above): (1) SRH knowledge; (2) Assets and agency; (3) Gender-equitable attitudes and norms; and (4) Gender-equitable behaviors.

The blue bars on the graphs indicate baseline results and green represents Wave 5 results, with a darker hue indicating a statistically significant difference between intervention and control groups. Graphs in orange hues represent data specific to SRH indicators. This is because the GEAS included a number of questions exploring adolescents' sexual and contraceptive attitudes. While a number of those indicators were included at baseline (and shown with blue bars), other topics were introduced among older adolescents (15 years and older) in subsequent waves (with some introduced for the first time in Waves 4 and 5).

I. SRH KNOWLEDGE

SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH KNOWLEDGE

Four dimensions of sexual and reproductive health (SRH) knowledge were examined in the GEAS, including: two *knowledge* indices—how to prevent pregnancy and how to prevent HIV; knowledge about where to access preventive commodities (condoms and contraception); and awareness about available forms of contraception in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

At baseline, a few differences in SRH knowledge were noted between in-school and out-of-school adolescents in the intervention and control groups. Specifically, adolescents in the out-of-school intervention group had higher levels of pregnancy knowledge, were more likely to know where to get a condom and where to get contraception than the control group. No such differences were noted among in-school adolescents. In fact, girls in the in-school control group were statistically more likely to know where to get contraception.

Results from the difference-in-difference analysis showed sustained overall improvement in knowledge of pregnancy and HIV as adolescents aged. Pregnancy knowledge increased more among in-school intervention adolescents as compared to the control group, which was driven by changes among in-school girls (there were no significant intervention effects for in-school boys or out-of-school adolescents). Improvements in HIV knowledge over time did not differ by treatment group, gender, or school status.

Figure 5 | Pregnancy Knowledge (by school status)

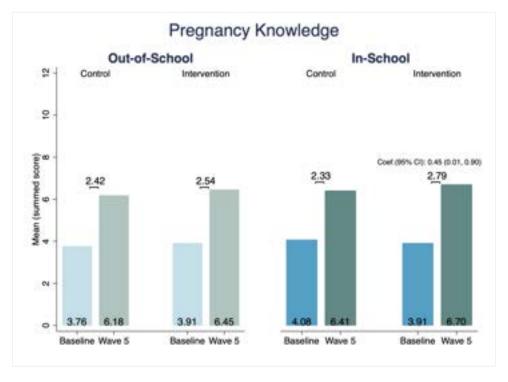
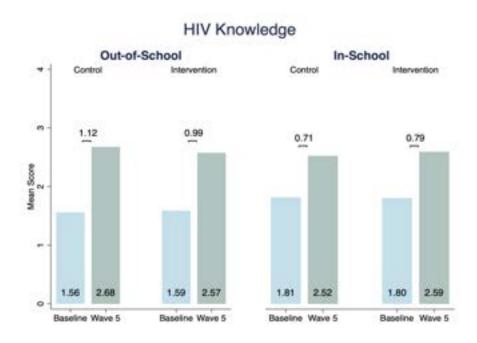


Figure 6 | Pregnancy Knowledge (by sex - IS only)



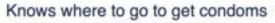
Figure 7 | HIV Knowledge (by school status)

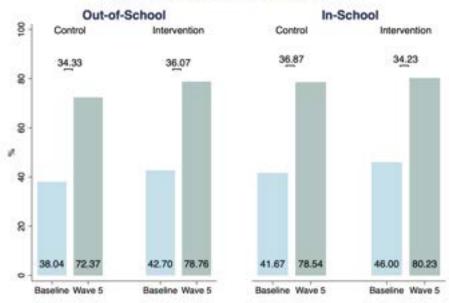


Knowledge about where to seek condoms and contraception

Knowledge about access to condoms also increased significantly between baseline and Wave 5 for all adolescents, rising approximately 34-36% between the two surveys. No additional gains were observed among adolescents in the intervention group relative to those in the control group or when comparing those in-school versus out-of-school.

Figure 8 | Knows where to go to get condoms (by school status)

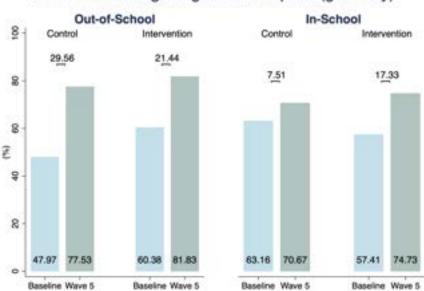




Among girls, knowledge of where to go to get any form of contraception grew considerably between baseline and wave 5 for both out-of-school and in-school adolescents, with greater knowledge gains among the out-of-school group (21.4 to 29.6 percentage point increases for out-of-school compared to 7.5 to 17.3 percentage point increase for in-school adolescents). Increases were similar between adolescents in the intervention and control groups for both out-of-school and in-school adolescents (i.e., no statistically significant differences in increases between the intervention arms when disaggregated by school status).

Figure 9 | Contraceptive access (girls only - by school status)

Knows where to go to get contraception (girls only)



Knowledge about contraceptive methods

Contraceptive awareness, which was asked of adolescents 15 years and older, was reasonably widespread at wave 5, but higher among girls than boys. Eight in 10 girls were familiar with short- and long-acting methods versus seven in 10 boys, while only 3% of girls and 5% of boys were only aware of barrier methods. No differences in contraceptive awareness were noted by school status or intervention group.

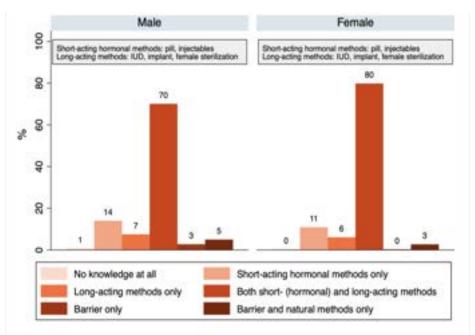


Figure 10 | Knowledge of Contraceptive Methods (at Wave 5 - by sex)



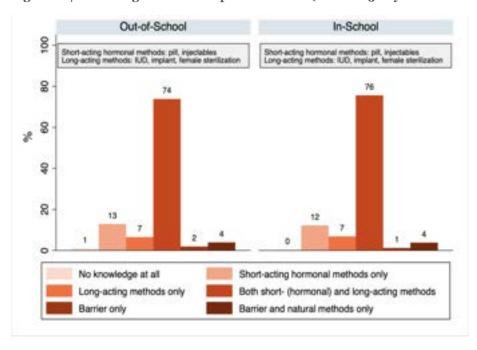
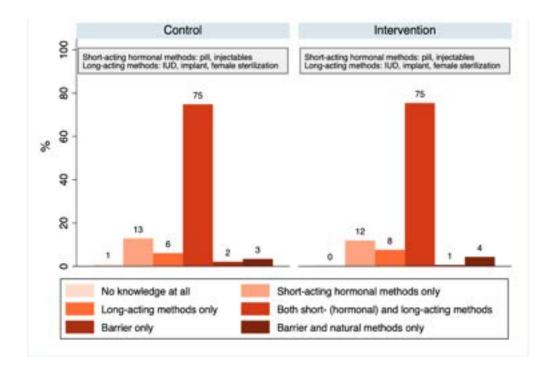
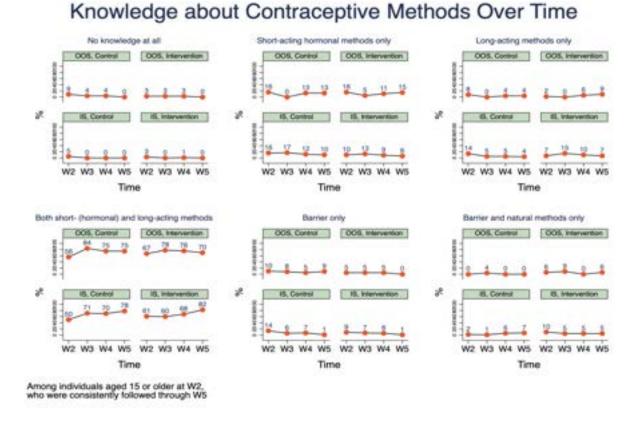


Figure 12 | Knowledge of Contraceptive Methods (at Wave 5 - by study arm)



Knowledge of short and long acting methods increased for all adolescents across waves (with these measures first assessed at Wave 2), with a greater increase for in-school adolescents. This corresponds to a slight decrease in knowledge of only one type of method across the four waves as adolescents gain knowledge of multiple types. Knowledge of barrier and natural methods remained relatively constant over time.

Figure 13 | Knowledge of Contraceptive Methods Over Time



Information sources about family planning in last 12 months

Adolescents were asked to reflect on where they had seen, heard, read, or received information about contraception in the previous 12 months. While the largest proportion of out-of-school adolescents reported receiving no information about family planning (53% of boys and 48% of girls), many had heard about contraception on the radio or television. Among in-school adolescents, many reported receiving information about contraception from the television (42% and 38% of boys and girls, respectively), radio (25% and 21% of boys and girls, respectively), and social media (19% and 15% of boys and girls, respectively).

Social media

Figure 14 | Sources of information about family planning in the last 12 months (by sex)

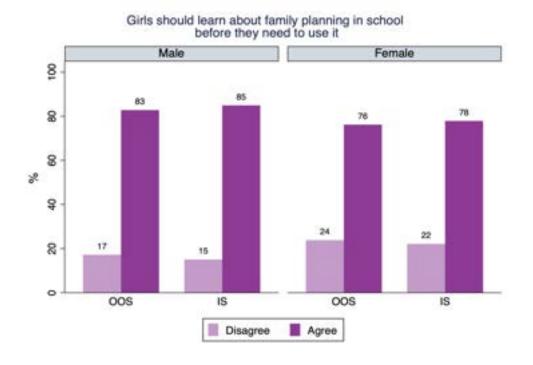
Perceived timing of education about family planning

Voice or text message

As shown in Figure 15, a greater percentage of boys (83-85%), relative to girls (76-78%), agreed with the statement that girls should learn about family planning in school before they need to use it. While differences in sex were observed, there were no differences in perceived timing of education about family planning when comparing in-school and out-of-school adolescents.

None

Figure 15 | Perceived Timing of Education about Family Planning (by sex and school status)



SRH ATTITUDES

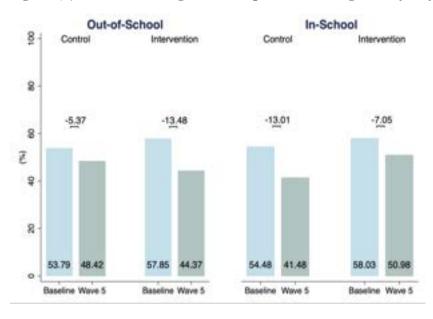
Embarrassment about contraceptive care-seeking (stigma)

At baseline, the majority of boys and girls felt embarrassed to get condoms; no differences were present between adolescents in the intervention versus control group. A substantial percentage of girls - more than half of all sub-groups (e.g., by intervention, school status) - also expressed embarrassment about seeking contraception if they needed it.

Over time, stigma surrounding access to condoms or contraception decreased among all adolescents, with the exception of in-school adolescents in the intervention group who felt as embarrassed to access condoms at wave 5 as they had at baseline. No differences in embarrassment trends were noted between intervention and control groups, with stigma remaining a common sentiment shared across study groups.

Figure 16 | Embarrassed to get condoms (by school status)

Figure 17 | Embarrassed to get contraception (asked of girls only – by school status)



Misconceptions about and attitudes toward contraception

In wave 5, adolescents were asked a series of questions about misconceptions related to contraception. Contraceptive attitudes from previous survey waves were compared over time, while contraceptive misconceptions (collected only in wave 5) were assessed at one time point. Adolescents were asked to share whether they agreed or disagreed with each of the following statements:

- 1. Contraception is only for married women.
- 2. With contraception, a young couple can have sex without worrying about pregnancy.
- 3. Adolescents or young women who use contraception are seen as promiscuous.
- 4. If women use contraception, they risk becoming infertile.
- 5. Contraception can make women very ill.
- 6. Women or girls who use contraception are better prepared to be mothers because they can decide when to have children.
- 7. Women or girls should not use contraception before having children.

Figure 18 | Attitudes towards Contraception (at Wave 5 - by sex)

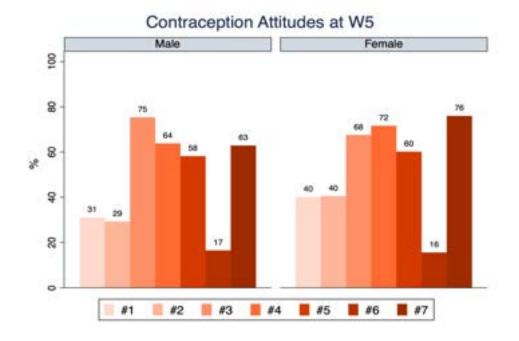


Figure 19 | Attitudes towards Contraception (at Wave 5 - by study arm)

As shown in Figure 20, while most adolescents considered girls using contraception to be acting responsibly, this perception was more common among boys than girls.

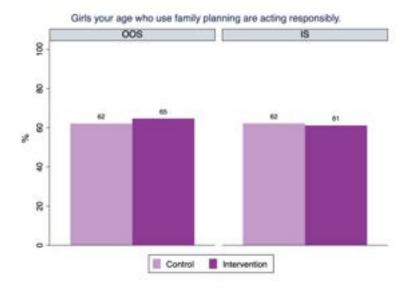
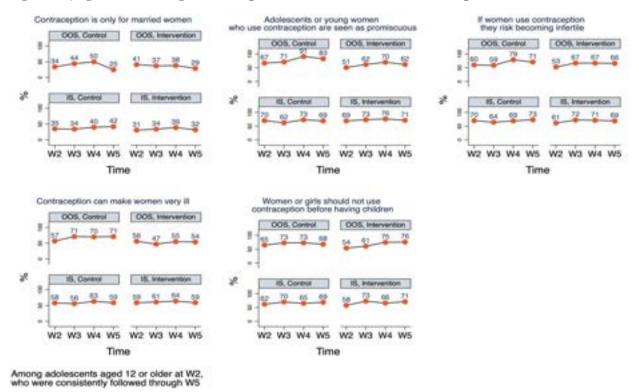


Figure 20 | Views that Use of Contraception Responsible (by school status)

At the same time, misperceptions about contraception remained widespread, with more than sixty percent of adolescents who thought contraception could bring about infertility and 58% to 60% who felt contraception could make women ill. A majority of respondents also thought nulliparous women should avoid contraception and 75% of girls and 68% of boys thought the use of contraception was stigmatizing for adolescents. Few young people thought contraception could provide benefits to sex life or parenting.

Misperceptions improved little over time as more adolescents worried about contraceptive health-related consequences and perceived stigma or disapproval of contraception for adolescents and nulliparous women.

Figure 21 | Agreement with gender-inequitable attitudes towards contraception over time



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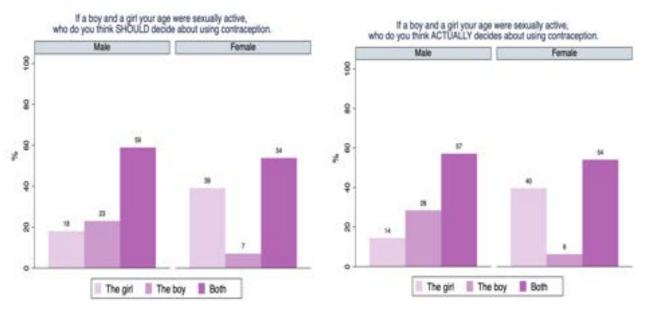
Figure 22 | Agreement with gender-equitable attitudes towards contraception over time

Beliefs about gendered decision-making for contraceptive use

In wave 5, adolescents were also asked about their perceptions related to gendered decision-making about contraceptive use. Specifically, adolescents were asked to share who - in a sexually active relationship between boys and girls - they believed *should* be making decisions about using contraception versus who they believed *would actually* be making decisions about using contraception.

A little over half of boys and girls indicated that contraception should be a shared decision between a boy and a girl. There were pronounced gender differences among those who did not think that contraception should be a shared decision: while boys were slightly more likely to believe that contraception should be a boy's decision (23% versus 18%), girls were more likely to believe that girls rather than boys should make the decision (39% versus 7%). Normative beliefs and perceptions of actual contraceptive decisions were very closely aligned, suggesting strong injunctions to conform to these gender norms.

Figure 23 | Beliefs about perceived gendered decision-making for contraceptive use*, by gender



*Statement: If a boy and a girl your age were sexually active, who do you think **should** decide about using contraception.

*Statement: If a boy and a girl your age were sexually active, who do you think actually decides about using contraception.

RELATIONSHIP AND SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE BEHAVIORS

At Wave 5, 30.6% of girls and 33.7% of boys indicated having ever engaged in a romantic relationship. Romantic involvement increased between baseline and wave 5 among all adolescents with no difference by school status or study group (intervention versus control). Adolescent romantic engagement increased significantly by age, from 37% of boys and 27% of girls aged 14 to 87% and 86% respectively when they reached 19 years old. More boys than girls engaged in romantic relations before 16, but gender differences disappeared among adolescents 16 years and older.

Figure 24 | Engaged in romantic relations (ever – by school status)

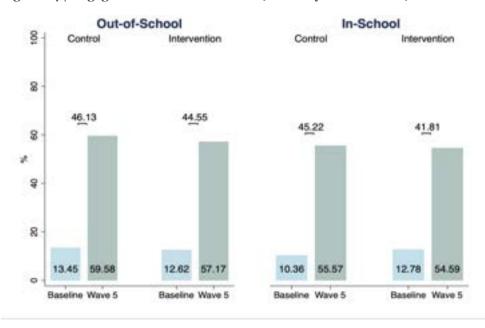
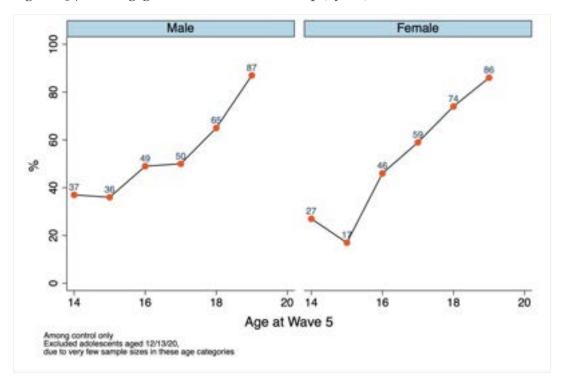


Figure 25 | Ever engaged in romantic relationship (by sex)



Participants were asked about controlling behaviors by a romantic partner in Wave 5 (Figure 26). Boys and girls alike suggested high levels of partner jealousy and monitoring of their whereabouts. Boys were more likely accused of unfaithfulness by their partners than girls but more trusted with their money by their partners than girls. A little less than a third of adolescents reported partner controlling behaviors on their friends and family contacts.

Figures 26 and 27 indicate the percent agreement (a lot/a little) with each item:

- 1. Jealous or angry if you talk to other boys/men or girls/women
- 2. Frequently accuses you of being unfaithful
- 3. Permitted you to meet your friends of the same sex (reverse coded)
- 4. Tried to limit contact with your family
- 5. Insisted on knowing where you are at all times
- 6. Trusted you with money (reverse coded)

Figure 26 | Endorsement of partner controlling behaviors (by study arm)

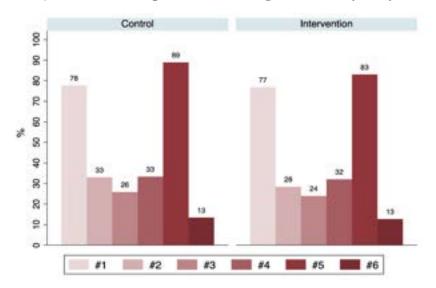
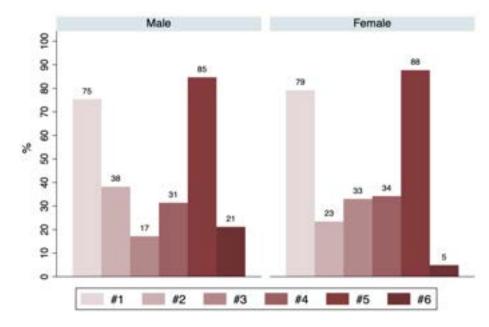


Figure 27 | Endorsement of partner controlling behaviors (by sex)



Adolescent boys and girls increasingly engaged in sexual relationships as they became older. Patterns of sexual activity differed between control and intervention groups for girls but were similar for boys.

Specifically, girls in the intervention and control groups had similar reports of sexual experience before the age of 17, but sexual activity increased sharply after the age of 17 reaching 53% at 18 and 72% at 19 years old in the control group but remaining lower at 48% in the intervention group. Boys' patterns were similar in intervention and control groups, reaching 57% and 52% of sexual activity by the age of 19. Irrespective of study group, boys started their sexual lives earlier than girls. However, patterns of activity differed between intervention and control groups: while intervention boys and girls had similar reports of sexual activity over time, girls over 17 became more sexually active than boys in the control group.

Figure 28 | Ever sexual intercourse (among control group – by sex)

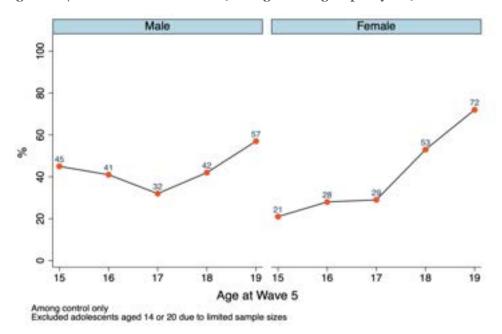
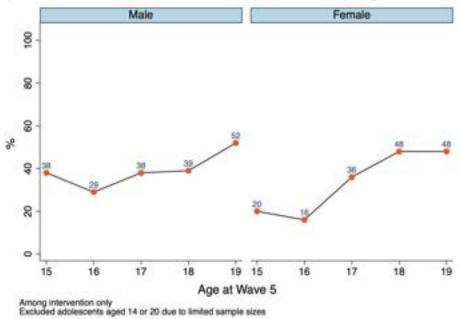


Figure 29 | Ever sexual intercourse (among intervention group – by sex)



As shown in Figure 30, only a third of adolescents reported using contraception at first sex with no difference by sex or study group.

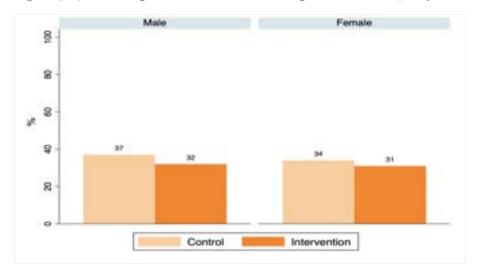


Figure 30 | Contraceptive use at first sex (as reported at Wave 5 – by sex)

Less than 15% of adolescents reported contact with a family planning provider in the last 12 months, with no difference by sex or school status. While service seeking among out-of-school boys and girls was higher in intervention than in control groups, these differences did not reach statistical significance. Healthcare seeking increased among sexually active adolescents across all groups except out-of-school males, but remained relatively uncommon. Again, healthcare seeking was more common in intervention groups than controls, especially among in-school boys and out-of-school girls, but these differences did not reach statistical significance. Only half of girls (54% in the control group and 51% in the intervention) thought they would be well received if they were to go to a clinic for contraception, which may partly explain low levels of care seeking in this population.

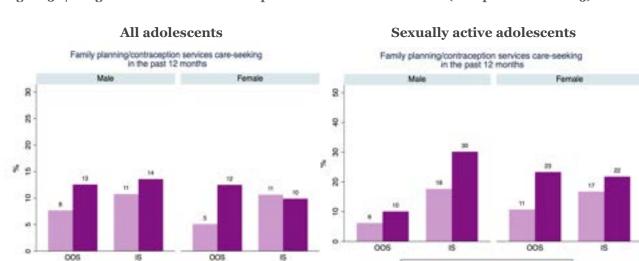


Figure 31 | Sought care from a healthcare provider in the last 12 months (as reported at Wave 5)

Control

Intervention

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Intervention

2. ASSETS AND AGENCY

CAREGIVER CONNECTEDNESS

At baseline, adolescents in the intervention and control groups had similar family structures. However, out-of-school girls in the intervention group were less likely to live with both of their parents than in the control group (intervention vs. control: 41.54% vs. 65.33%). Family relations at baseline, in the form of connectedness (feeling close to caregivers and comfortable communicating concerns regarding puberty and romantic relationship) and monitoring (caregivers being aware of adolescents' location, academic performance and friends' names) were similar between study groups.

Caregiver connectedness remained relatively stable over time with no differences between intervention and control groups.

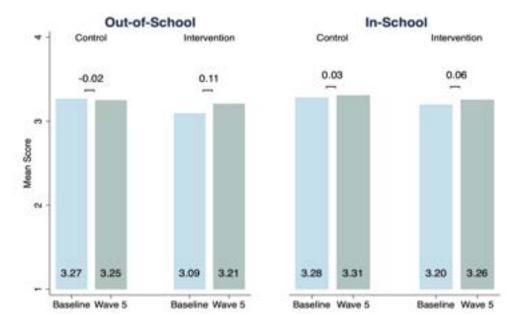


Figure 32 | Parent Connectedness

ATTITUDES AND EXPERIENCES RELATED TO PUBERTAL DEVELOPMENT AND BODY COMFORT

Another critical component of the GUG! intervention was to promote communication, knowledge and comfort with pubertal development, especially for girls.

At baseline, body satisfaction was moderate (based on an indicator assuming a positive outlook across 5 items) with significant inequalities between out-of-school and in-school adolescents. No differences were noted between intervention and controls for either school status. Few adolescent girls had gone through menarche, and among those who ever had a period, about half knew when to expect their next period and many felt ashamed of their bodies during their periods, especially the out-of-school girls. Knowledge about the timing of menstruation was slightly higher among IS girls in the intervention group relative to the control, while stigma was higher among out-of-school girls in the control group compared to the intervention group (p=0.044).

At Wave 5, body satisfaction increased slightly, but remained low at 36% to 41% while positive attitudes towards female body pride increased more significantly reaching 90% or higher across groups.

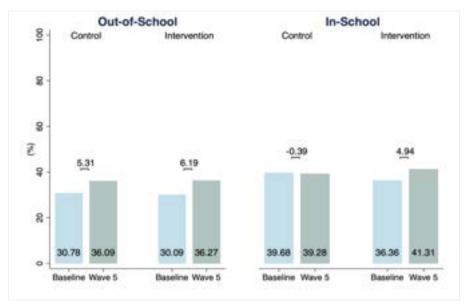
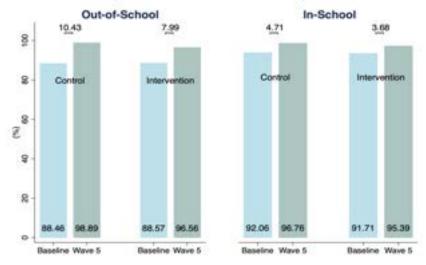


Figure 33 | Body Satisfaction (by school status)

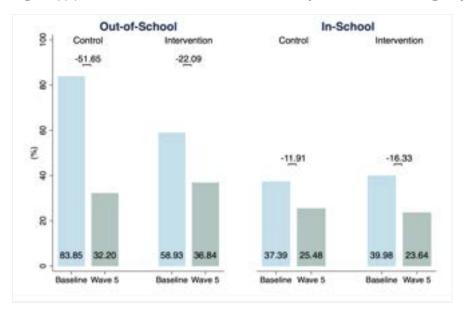
Figure 34 | Female Body Pride





Attitudes and practices regarding menstruation changed as female adolescents reported less shame over female menstruation and were more likely to track their menstrual periods. These improvements were similarly experienced in the intervention and controls groups.

Figure 35 | Menstrual attitudes (ashamed of body when menstruating) (by school status)



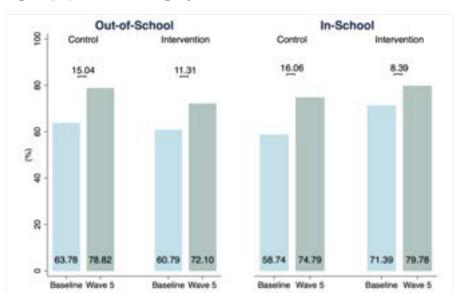


Figure 36 | Period tracking (by school status)

AGENCY

While agency and women and girl's empowerment were not direct outcomes of the GUG! intervention, these constructs are viewed as critical dimensions of gender equality, and a process towards improving women's and girls' health and wellbeing and as such were included in the global GEAS study. Adolescents' agency was operationalized using three indicators that are salient to the lives of young adolescents across diverse cultural settings (Zimmerman, 2019): 1) voice (or the ability to be heard), 2) freedom of movement, and 3) decision making (or the ability to make daily decisions). At baseline, the intervention group of in-school girls reported having more voice (p<0.001) and decision-making power (p=0.002) than the control group of in-school girls. No differences were seen among out-of-school girls, or boys.

Over time, adolescents gained more voice, especially out-of-school adolescents. They also gained more decision-making power and freedom of movement across all groups. These trends were similar in intervention and control groups, with the exception of a greater effect of the intervention among out of school girls relative to out of school boys. However, the intervention effect on voice was not statistically different between intervention and control groups among out of school girls.

Figure 37 | Voice (by school status)

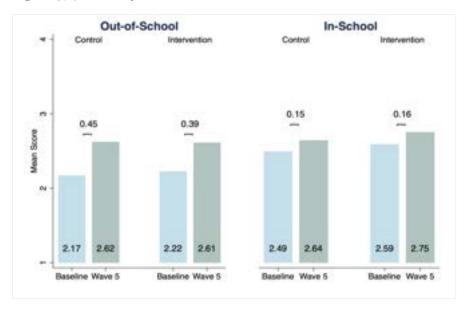


Figure 38 | Freedom of Movement (by school status)

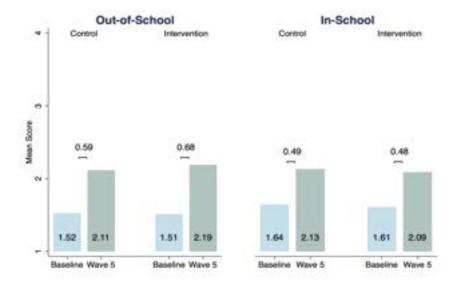
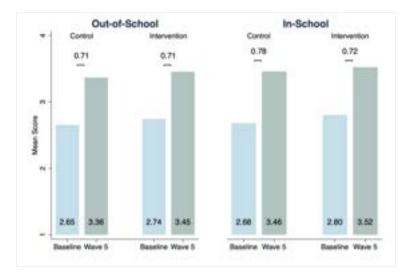


Figure 39 | Decision Making



SEXUAL COMMUNICATION

At baseline, communication about SRH topics was rare, with the exception of pubertal changes. There were significant differences between interventions and controls: IS adolescents in the intervention group were more likely to have talked about pregnancy. In school intervention boys were also more likely to have talked about contraception and sexual relations while out-of-school intervention girls were more likely have talked about body changes.

Over time, communication about SRH topics increased substantially across all domains but varied substantially by subject matter. In Wave 5, more than 60% of adolescents had discussed issues related to body changes but only a quarter discussed pregnancy, contraception or sexual relations. Trends in SRH communication were similar in the interventions and control groups.

Figure 40 | Talked about Body Changes (by school status)

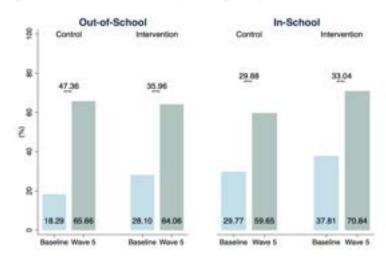


Figure 41 | Talked about Pregnancy (by school status)

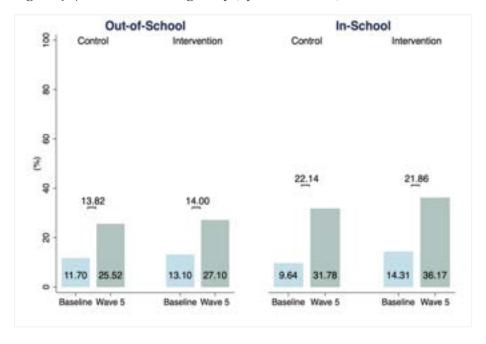
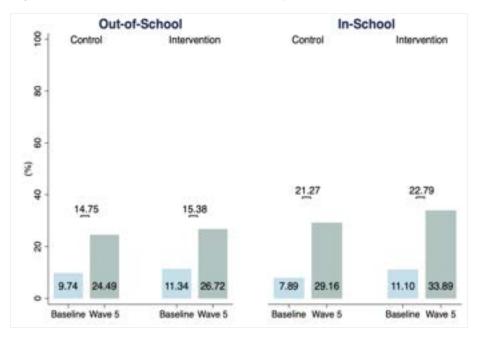


Figure 42 | Talked about Sexual Relations (by school status)



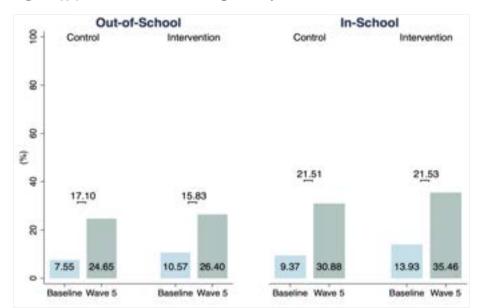


Figure 43 | Talked about Contraception (by school status)

3. GENDER-EQUITABLE ATTITUDES AND NORMS

PERCEPTIONS OF GENDER NORMS

At baseline, in-school and out-of-school boys in the control groups were more likely to perceive adolescent romantic relationships as normative (p=0.006 and p=0.048, respectively) and IS control boys were also more likely to endorse unequal gender stereotypical traits and to be accepting of teasing gender atypical adolescents than IS boys in the intervention group. In-school girls in the control group were also more likely to be accepting of teasing gender atypical boys (p=0.031), while no other difference in gender normative views were observed by the study group, including attitudes towards sharing household chores.

In Wave 5, four years after the intervention, gains in gender equal perceptions about household chore sharing remained significantly higher in the intervention groups (in-school and out-of-school alike) compared to control groups. Support of atypical gender behaviors decreased over time, especially among out-of-school adolescents, but there were no differences by study groups (intervention versus control). While there were no differences in gender stereotypical traits (i.e. males are tough) across the five waves, there was a decrease in endorsement of gender stereotypical roles (i.e. males as the breadwinners) among IS adolescents who received the intervention (p=0.01).

Figure 44 | Attitude towards Gender Equality in Household Chores (by school status)

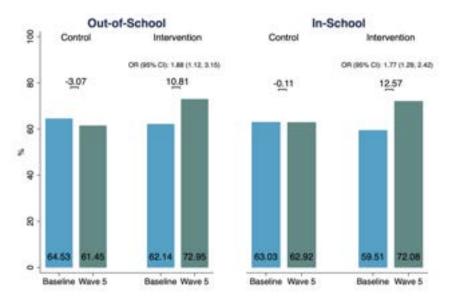
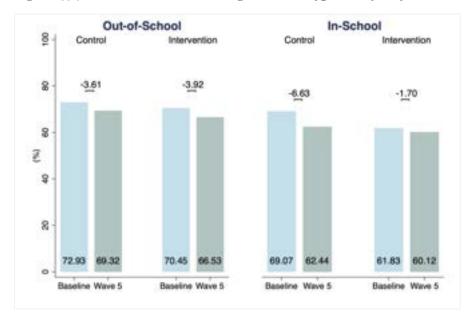


Figure 45 | Attitudes towards Teasing Gender A-typical Boys (by school status)



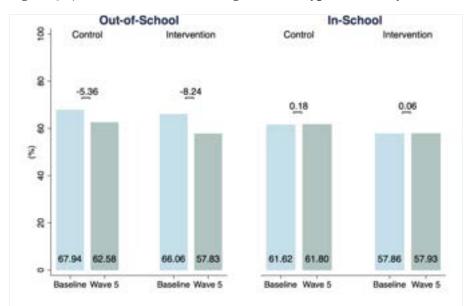


Figure 46 | Attitudes towards Teasing Gender A-typical Girls (by school status)

ATTITUDES RELATED TO GENDER AND SEX

Adolescents were asked about specific sexual attitudes that are influenced by certain gender normative beliefs. While some gender inequitable attitudes increased between baseline and wave 5 as more adolescents endorsed male sexual prowess and shaming of female sexuality over time, other gender unequitable beliefs declined over time as fewer adolescents believed pregnancy prevention was only girls' responsibility. These trends were observed across study groups, but the increase in the endorsement of male sexual prowess were less pronounced among in-school adolescents in the intervention group relative to the controls. Likewise, shifts towards more egalitarian views about pregnancy prevention were greater among in-school adolescents relative to controls (Figure 48).

Figure 47 | Attitudes Regarding Male Sexual Prowess (by school status)

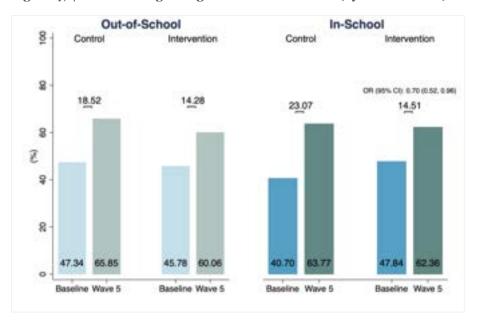


Figure 48 | Gendered Attitudes towards Responsibility for Pregnancy Prevention (by school status)

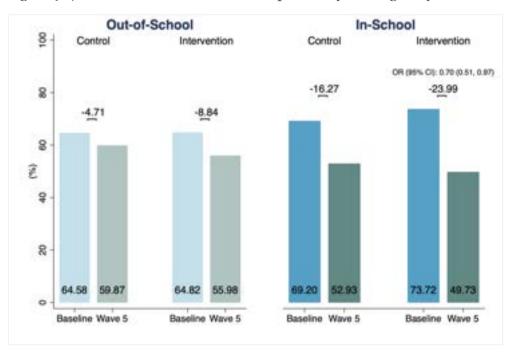


Figure 49 | Views that Women Who Carry Condoms Are 'Easy' (by school status)

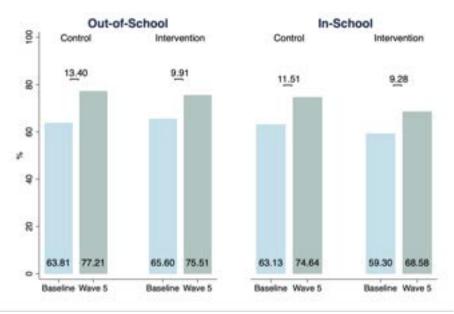
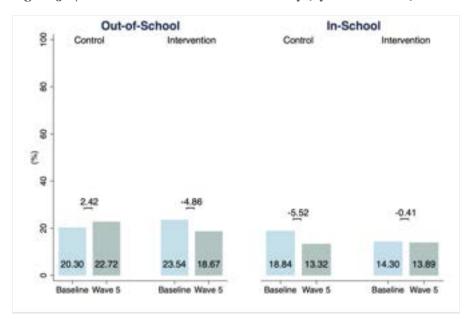


Figure 50 | Attitudes towards Male Promiscuity (by school status)



In the GEAS, sexual double standard is measured by agreement with the following items:

- 1. Adolescent boys fool girls into going out with them.
- 2. Adolescent girls should avoid boys because they trick them into going out with them.
- 3. Adolescent boys lose interest in a girl after they go out with her.
- 4. Boys have girlfriends to show off to their friends.
- 5. Girls are the victims of rumors if they have boyfriends.
- 6. Boys tell girls they love them when they don't.

Answers are then combined into a mean score that comprises the scale in Figure 50 below. Results show that normative perceptions regarding a sexual double standard, rewarding boys for engaging in

romantic heterosexual relations but sanctioning girls, were widespread among all adolescents at baseline, regardless of sex, school status or study group. Average scores exceeded 4 on a scale from 1 to 5, with higher score signaling greater perceptions of a sexual double standard.

Over time there was a small increase in these perceptions among out-of-school adolescents across treatment groups. In contrast, beliefs remained stable among in-school control group adolescents, compared to a small decline in agreement with a double standard among in-school intervention adolescents. Thus, in-school adolescents in the intervention group shifted towards more egalitarian views about adolescent relationships than their control counterparts.

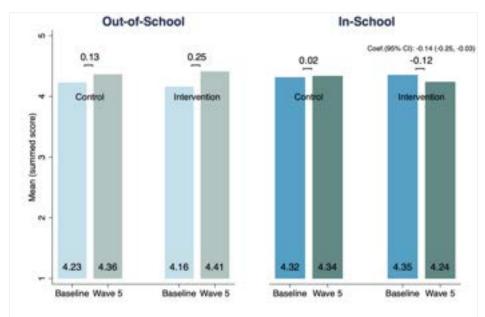


Figure 51 | Sexual Double Standard (by school status)

4. GENDER-EQUITABLE BEHAVIORS

SHARING OF CHORES

While attitudes towards household chore sharing were improved in the intervention group, these attitudinal shifts did not translate into significant behavioral change. However, out-of-school adolescents in the intervention group saw significant increases in brothers helping sisters with household chores between baseline and Wave 5, which was not the case among out of school controls.

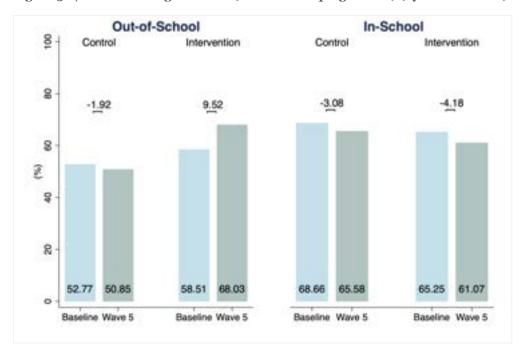


Figure 52 | Chore-sharing Behavior (Brothers Helping Sisters) (by school status)

TEASING AND VIOLENCE

At baseline, peer physical violence perpetration, and physical violence and teasing victimization, were common behaviors with no significant differences by study arm. Roughly one quarter of boys (IS: 28% vs. OOS: 27%) and girls (IS: 21% vs. OOS: 25%) perpetrated violence against their peers in the last 6 months. Peer violence victimization was less common among IS girls than boys (17.1% vs. 28.2%, respectively).

Peer violence perpetration and victimization declined significantly between baseline and Wave 5; while the intervention had some shorter-term impacts on peer violence for IS adolescents as compared to control group adolescents, by Wave 5 these impacts ceased to be significant. In Wave 5, 22.0 to 28.8% of adolescents reported violence perpetration against their peers in the last 6 months and 12.6 to 18.8% were victimized (Figures 53 and 54, respectively).

Figure 53 | Violence Perpetration (by school status)

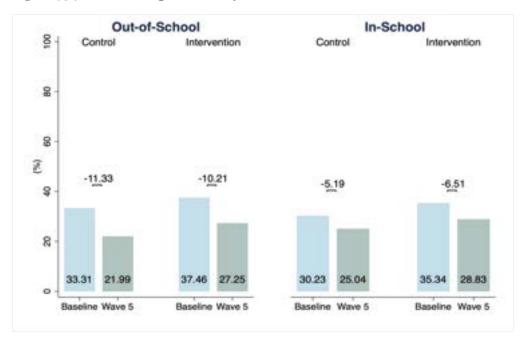
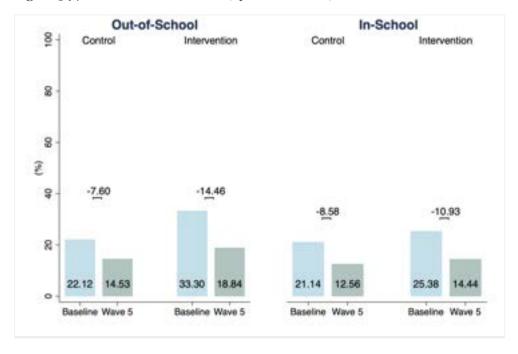


Figure 54 | Violence Victimization (by school status)



LIMITATIONS

This Wave 5 report presents results from both difference-in-differences analyses to assess GUG! intervention effects and descriptive results from the GEAS-Kinshasa cohort. We do not present results from regression analyses to examine the association between gender norms and health and the effect of the GUG! intervention on these associations. These more in-depth analyses are investigated in complementary research efforts that draw upon more advanced conceptual and analytic techniques within cross-cultural comparisons.

Loss to follow up reached 45% among out-of-school adolescents (versus 32% among in-school adolescents), and 45.3% in the intervention group (versus 24.6% in the control group), which may potentially bias the evaluation results. The COVID-19 pandemic and its lingering social impacts presented challenges to data collection and could have led to some of the loss to follow up. As most recruitment was done through home visits, data collectors relied on accurate addresses to follow-up with participants. The negative economic impact of the pandemic in Kinshasa might have led to some families being unable to pay rent and relocating, though these instances have not been confirmed. However, the loss to follow up rate is the same as from prior waves. We applied weights to account for attrition, based on respondents' socio demographic characteristics, but selection bias is still possible if young people who were lost to follow up respond differently to GUG! activities than those surveyed at wave 5.

With sample attrition, the statistical power to detect differential intervention effects by study group, sex or age was diminished, reducing the ability to detect sustained or long-term intervention effects. This may mask intervention effects among girls, who were more likely to benefit from the intervention in wave 2 relative to boys. We nevertheless found sustained effects of the intervention in shifting attitudes about gender-equitable household chore sharing over time and new benefits of the intervention in reducing perceptions of a sexual double standard, which was not detected in prior waves. We also found sustained benefits of the intervention on girls' knowledge about pregnancy prevention.

While more adolescents engaged in sexual activity at Wave 5 than in previous waves, the still relatively small number of sexually active adolescents continued to limit our ability to detect intervention effects on contraceptive behaviors given the small sample of girls in need of contraception even in wave 5. Lack of statistical power is unlikely to alter our conclusions of a lack of intervention benefit on contraceptive use at first sex given the very similar proportions of adolescents reporting contraception at first sex in the intervention and control groups. On the other hand, lack of statistical power may have masked an intervention effect on health care seeking behaviors given substantially higher proportions of adolescents in the intervention group who sought care from a family planning provider compared to adolescents in the control group.

While the GEAS collected rich data on knowledge and attitudes regarding contraception, these questions were only asked of participants aged 15 and older starting in wave 2, which prevents an assessment of baseline differences between intervention and controls. However, the suboptimal contraceptive knowledge paired with high levels of misperceptions across study arms highlight the need for comprehensive sexual education among younger adolescents, before they engage in any sexual activity.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

The findings from the Global Early Adolescent Study in Kinshasa (GEAS-Kinshasa) follow young people from early adolescence (10-14 years) through older adolescence (15-19 years). They capture both: (1) the developmental and behavioral trends among all young adolescents in the cohort, and (2) evaluation results between the control and intervention group to document the impact of the Growing Up GREAT! (GUG!) intervention, four years after it ended.

SRH KNOWLEDGE

SRH knowledge improves over time with targeted intervention benefits in pregnancy related knowledge. Nonetheless, knowledge about contraception remained suboptimal in the GEAS-Kinshasa cohort with substantial misperceptions and high levels of stigma attached to girl's sexuality. Most adolescents indicated that television and radio were their primary sources of SRH information.

ASSETS & AGENCY

Young people's voice, decision making power and freedom of movement increase over time as well as their ability to communicate about SRH matters with others, although these discussions were largely constrained to pubertal development. Other topics, such as sexual relations and pregnancy prevention remained largely taboo, reflecting the social disapproval of adolescent sexuality.

GENDER-EQUITABLE ATTITUDES & NORMS

Gender-transformative interventions can effectively shift gender inequitable attitudes with sustained gains over time, but these shifts are targeted and cannot challenge the multitudes of unequal gender expectations on their own. Normative and attitudinal shifts can take some time to emerge based on when they become salient in people's lives. For example, intervention benefits towards more egalitarian outlooks on sexual relations only emerged 4 years after the intervention, when more young people started experiencing relationships.

GENDER-EQUITABLE BEHAVIORS

While young people may shift certain views about gender, these attitudes don't necessarily translate into behaviors in the absence of social support. For instance, more egalitarian attitudes towards chore sharing did not translate into actual sharing of chores, presumably because parents, not adolescents, decide on assignment of chores within the household system.

PROGRAMMATIC IMPLICATIONS

1: Adolescence is a critical time for gender transformative and SRH interventions.

Our results emphasize the need for gender transformative interventions among early adolescents to address young people's fluid unequal gender perceptions, which tend to amplify as young people get older. Evaluation results indicate that normative perceptions can be shifted with relatively modest initiatives resulting in sustained effects over time. Findings demonstrate a lack of SRH knowledge and sustained misperceptions and stigmatization surrounding adolescent sexuality. These are critical barriers to healthy sexual development as adolescents move into young adulthood. In the absence of family communication about these matters (common in Kinshasa), there is a critical need to integrate sexuality education, including contraception, earlier in the school curriculum, before the need for pregnancy and HIV prevention arises and young people start dropping out of school. Relatedly, stronger efforts are needed to engage families, health providers and communities to create a supportive environment for adolescents of all ages to seek SRH knowledge and services.

2: Programs need to engage with adolescents' social environments to transform attitudes into action.

While shifts in knowledge and attitudes are essential in paving the way to gender equality and healthy sexuality development, the lack of an enabling environment (family, teachers and community) is a serious obstacle to translating knowledge and attitudinal shifts into lasting behavioral change. While GUG! took on a multilevel approach to integrate caregivers, health providers and communities, more efforts are needed to engage and support adults as agents of young people's learning and healthy sexuality development. Such a socio-ecological approach is needed to foster better SRH communication with young people and tackle misperceptions and taboos that constrain young people's learning and relational experiences.

3: Gender transformative interventions need to better integrate the perspectives and normative environments of boys.

While girls are most negatively affected by inequitable gender norms, gender transformative interventions can also benefit boys. Boys' agreement with attitudes reflecting toxic masculinity over time points to a need to better understand and address such norms that are detrimental to their own health as well as to the wellbeing of girls. Current efforts to include boys in gender transformative interventions, such as GUG!, are promising but the lack of intervention effect for boys relative to girls calls for an assessment of how potentially to adapt these programs to better address boys' perspectives and learning abilities.

4: Longitudinal designs provide a nuanced evaluation of gender transformative interventions.

This longitudinal assessment of the GUG! intervention (from 2017 to 2022) provides unique perspectives on the short- and long-term effects of gender transformative interventions, showing both the need for reinforcement as some early effects fade away after 2 years or more (such as SRH knowledge and communication) while other effects (attitudinal or normative shifts) are sustained or appear later in time, when these norms become salient in young people's lives. More research is warranted to understand how early interventions promoting gender equality in relationships inform key transitions into adulthood, including family formation.

5: Sustained intervention efforts may have greater, longer-term benefits.

In light of the modest and sustained results of this nine-month intervention, an ongoing program implemented over the course of adolescence which includes layered and developmentally appropriate content tailored to boys and girls holds the potential of substantial impact, especially at scale.

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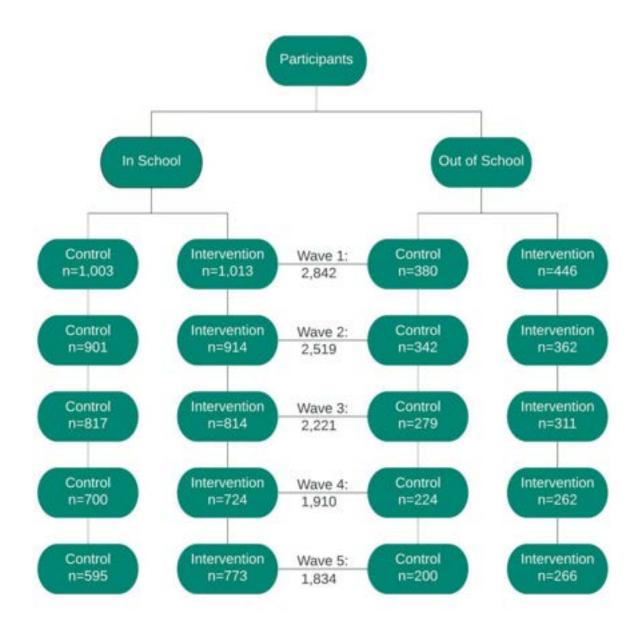
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APPENDICES

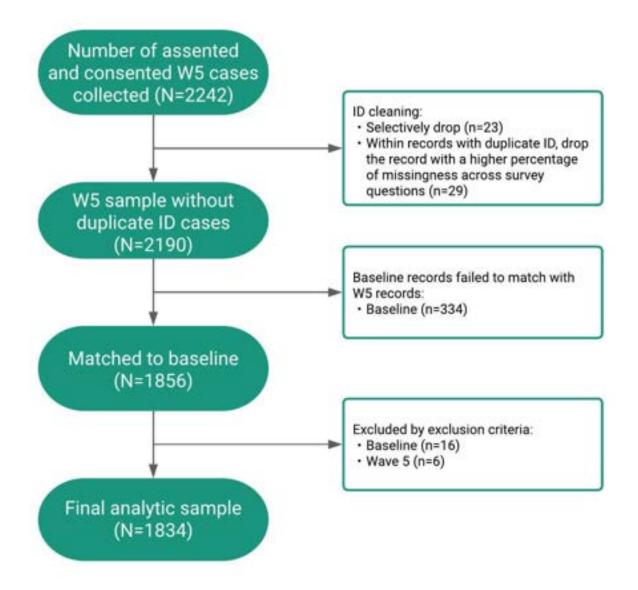
Appendix A. Flow Chart of Study Population across the Five Waves of Data Collection



Appendix B. Loss to Follow Up from Baseline to Wave 5

Loss to Follow Up Rates by Baseline Sample Characteristics		Overall (n=2,842	Overall (n=2,842)		Out of School (n=826)		ol (5)
		n (%)	p- value	n (%)	p-value	n (%)	p-value
School Status			-	341 (34.90)	-	636 (65.10)	< 0.001
		977 (34.38)					
Sex	Boy	469 (32.960)	469 (32.960) 0.111 508 (35.80)	172 (38.74)	0.109	297 (30.34)	0.256
Sea	Girl	508 (35.80)		169 (44.24)		339 (32.69)	
	Two parents	538 (33.09)	0.348	119 (40.89)	0.863	419 (31.39)	0.740
Household Composition*	One parent	281 (35.66)		133 (40.06)		148 (32.46)	
	Grandparents	99 (36.40)		59 (44.36)		40 (28.78)	
	Other	48 (38.71)		25 (41.67)		23 (35.94)	
	Bottom 20%	229 (38.88)		133 (39.58)	0.444	96 (37.94)	0.074
Wealth Quintile*	20-40%	216 (36.42)	0.002	108 (45.57)		108 (30.34)	
	40-60%	187 (35.28)		60 (41.10)		127 (33.07)	
	60-80%	182 (32.56)		29 (37.66)		153 (31.74)	
	Top 20%	154 (28.10)		7 (30.43)		147 (28.00)	

Appendix C. Flow Chart of Wave 5 Analytical Population



Appendix D. Intention to Treat and Per Protocol Analysis for Out-of-School Adolescents

The table below first presents findings from intent to treat (ITT) analyses, followed by per protocol (PPA) analyses. Adherence to per protocol was defined as those who actually participated in the intervention versus controls who were not exposed (excluding possible contamination), and (PPA) were conducted as a sensitivity analysis to the main ITT analyses. Findings in differences and odds ratios should be interpreted with caution due to the small sample size. Differences between the PPA and ITT findings are noted in red text.

		ITT analysis	among Out of School	(N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)		
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Sexual Double Standard							
Control	200	4.23 +/- 0.06	4.36 +/- 0.06	0.13 +/- 0.09	0.12 (-0.11, 0.34)	0.300	
Intervention	266	4.16 +/- 0.06	4.41 +/- 0.04	0.25 +/- 0.07	0.12 (-0.11, 0.34)	0.300	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	466	-0.00 (-0.46, 0.46)					
sex X study group interaction	466	-0.05 (-0.50, 0.40)					
Adolescent Romantic Expectation							
Control	124	2.68 +/- 0.10	3.51 +/- 0.09	0.82 +/- 0.14	0.20 (0.74 , 0.04)	0.027	
Intervention	160	2.89 +/- 0.09	3.32 +/- 0.08	0.43 +/- 0.11	-0.39 (-0.74, -0.04)	0.027	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	284		-0.18	3 (-0.94, 0.58)		0.644	
sex X study group interaction	284		0.19	(-0.51, 0.89)		0.599	
Gender Stereotypical Traits							
Control	200	4.45 +/- 0.04	4.52 +/- 0.05	0.07 +/- 0.06	0.00 (0.07, 0.25)	0.279	
Intervention	266	4.40 +/- 0.04	4.55 +/- 0.04	0.16 +/- 0.06	0.09 (-0.07, 0.25)	0.278	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	466	0.08 (-0.24, 0.41)					

		ITT analysis	among Out of School	(N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)		
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
sex X study group interaction	466	-0.13 (-0.46, 0.20)			0.433		
Gender Stereotypical Roles							
Control	200	4.51 +/- 0.05	4.37 +/- 0.04	-0.14 +/- 0.06	0.05 (-0.12, 0.22)	0.599	
Intervention	265	4.43 +/- 0.05	4.34 +/- 0.04	-0.10 +/- 0.06	0.03 (0.12, 0.22)	0.577	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	465	0.04 (-0.31, 0.39)					
sex X study group interaction	465		-0.01 (-0.35, 0.34)				
Gender Equality in Household Chores (%)							
Control	198	64.53	61.45	-3.08	OR 1.88 (1.12, 3.15)	0.017	
Intervention	263	62.14	72.95	10.81		0.017	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	461		OR 0.	49 (0.17, 1.43)		0.190	
sex X study group interaction	461		OR 1.	04 (0.36, 2.94)		0.947	
Brothers Helped Sisters with Household Chores (%)							
Control	83	52.77	50.85	-1.92	OR 1.63 (0.73, 3.65)	0.235	
Intervention	107	58.51	68.03	9.52	OK 1.03 (0.73, 3.03)	0.255	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	190		OR 3.2	29 (0.58, 18.78)		0.180	
sex X study group interaction	190		OR 0.	37 (0.05, 2.93)		0.344	
It is okay to tease a girl who acts like a boy (%)							
Control	199	67.94	62.58	-5.36	OD 0.90 (0.52, 1.51)	0.673	
Intervention	261	66.06	57.83	-8.23	OR 0.89 (0.53, 1.51)	0.073	

		ITT analysis a	among Out of Schoo	l (N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)		
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	460	OR 1.10 (0.38, 3.25)				0.857	
sex X study group interaction	460		OR 2	2.02 (0.70, 5.85)		0.196	
It is okay to tease a boy who acts like a girl (%)							
Control	200	72.93	69.32	-3.61	OR 0.99 (0.56, 1.75)	0.984	
Intervention	262	70.45	66.53	-3.92	OK 0.33 (0.30, 1.73)	0.964	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	462	OR 0.81 (0.26, 2.56)					
sex X study group interaction	462	OR 1.36 (0.44, 4.22)					
Girls should be proud of their bodies as the become women (%)	y						
Control	198	88.46	98.89	10.43	OR 0.31 (0.06, 1.68)	0.175	
Intervention	263	88.57	96.56	7.99	OK 0.51 (0.00, 1.00)	0.173	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	461		OR (0.09 (0.00, 2.77)		0.168	
sex X study group interaction	461		OR 7.	44 (0.23, 240.10)		0.257	
Men are always ready for sex (%)							
Control	195	47.34	65.85	18.51	OR 0.83 (0.49, 1.39)	0.481	
Intervention	258	45.78	60.06	14.28	OK 0.63 (0.43, 1.33)	0.461	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	453		OR 2	2.02 (0.70, 5.88)		0.195	
sex X study group interaction	453	OR 1.42 (0.49, 4.05)					
It's the girl's responsibility to prevent pregnancy (%)							
Control	196	64.58	59.87	-4.71	OR 0.84 (0.48, 1.49)	0.557	

		ITT analysis	among Out of School	(N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)	
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value
Intervention	260	64.82	55.98	-8.84		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	456		OR 0.91 (0.28, 2.95)			
sex X study group interaction	456		OR 0.5	85 (0.27, 2.71)		0.787
A real man should have as many female partners as he can (%)						
Control	200	20.3	22.72	2.42	OR 0.65 (0.35, 1.20)	0.169
Intervention	262	23.54	18.67	-4.87	OR 0.03 (0.33, 1.20)	0.109
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	462	OR 1.01 (0.29, 3.58)				
sex X study group interaction	462	OR 0.84 (0.22, 3.20)				
Women who carry condoms on they are eas (%)	У					
Control	184	63.81	77.21	13.40	OR 0.84 (0.47, 1.52)	0.567
Intervention	238	65.6	75.51	9.91	OK 0.64 (0.47, 1.32)	0.307
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	422		OR 1	39 (0.41, 4.71)		0.593
sex X study group interaction	422		OR 1	59 (0.46, 5.43)		0.460
Freedom of Movement						
Control	200	1.52 +/- 0.05	2.11 +/- 0.07	0.59 +/- 0.08	0.09 (-0.12, 0.29)	0.407
Intervention	265	1.51 +/- 0.04	2.19 +/- 0.06	0.68 +/- 0.07	0.09 (-0.12, 0.29)	0.407
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	465		-0.23	(-0.63, 0.17)		0.255
sex X study group interaction	465		0.02	(-0.37, 0.40)		0.930
Voice						

ITT analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)						
N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
200	2.17 +/- 0.05	2.62 +/- 0.06	0.45 +/- 0.07	0.07 (0.25 0.12)	0.481	
265	2.22 +/- 0.04	2.61 +/- 0.05	0.39 +/- 0.06	-0.07 (-0.23, 0.12)	0.461	
465		-0.34 (-0.73, 0.05)				
465	-0.09 (-0.47, 0.29)					
200	2.65 +/- 0.06	3.36 +/- 0.06	0.71 +/- 0.08	0.00 (0.20, 0.20)	0.995	
265	2.74 +/- 0.06	3.45 +/- 0.04	0.71 +/- 0.07	0.000 (0.20)	0.993	
465	-0.11 (-0.53, 0.31)					
465	0.48 (0.08, 0.87)					
101	2.58 +/- 0.09	3.48 +/- 0.07	0.90 +/- 0.10	0.22 (0.50, 0.02)	0.085	
155	2.80 +/- 0.07	3.47 +/- 0.06	0.67 +/- 0.09	-0.23 (-0.30, 0.03)	0.083	
99	2.72 +/- 0.09	3.24 +/- 0.08	0.52 +/- 0.11	0.25 (0.05 0.54)	0.102	
110	2.66 +/- 0.08	3.43 +/- 0.07	0.77 +/- 0.10	0.23 (-0.03, 0.34)	0.102	
197	3.27 +/- 0.05	3.25 +/- 0.06	-0.02 +/- 0.08	0.13 (-0.08, 0.34)	0.223	
264	3.09 +/- 0.05	3.21 +/- 0.06	0.11 +/- 0.07	U.13 (-U.08, U.34)	0.223	
461		-0.09	0 (-0.50, 0.33)		0.676	
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	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value
sex X study group interaction	461	0.11 (-0.31, 0.53)				0.607
Talked about Body Changes (%)						
Control	122	18.29	65.66	47.37	OR 0.53 (0.26, 1.10)	0.090
Intervention	156	28.1	64.06	35.96	OK 0.33 (0.20, 1.10)	0.090
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	278	OR 1.63 (0.35, 7.60)				
sex X study group interaction	278	OR 0.36 (0.08, 1.60)				
Talked about Pregnancy (%)						
Control	197	11.7	25.52	13.82	OR 0.95 (0.49, 1.87)	0.889
Intervention	259	13.1	27.1	14.00		0.009
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	456		OR 1	1.24 (0.25, 6.09)		0.792
sex X study group interaction	456		OR 5	.15 (1.27, 20.86)		0.022
Boy						
Control	101	5.51	29.77	24.26	OD 0.27 (0.12, 1.02)	0.056
Intervention	154	10.1	23.04	12.94	OR 0.37 (0.13, 1.03)	0.056
Girl						
Control	96	17.94	21.24	3.30	OR 1.89 (0.73, 4.89)	0.190
Intervention	105	17.28	32.74	15.46	OK 1.89 (0.73, 4.89)	0.190
Talked about Contraception (%)						
Control	186	7.55	24.65	17.10	OR 0.76 (0.35, 1.63)	0.478
Intervention	239	10.57	26.4	15.83	01(0.70 (0.33, 1.03)	0.476

		ITT analysis	among Out of School	(N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)	
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	425		OR 0.18 (0.03, 1.32)			
sex X study group interaction	425	OR 3.44 (0.68, 17.26)				0.134
Talked about Sexual Relations (%)						
Control	196	9.74	24.49	14.75	OR 0.95 (0.46, 1.97)	0.887
Intervention	263	11.34	26.72	15.38	OK 0.33 (0.40, 1.37)	0.887
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	459	OR 1.38 (0.21, 9.06)				
sex X study group interaction	459	OR 1.09 (0.25, 4.77)				
Pregnancy Knowledge						
Control	82	3.76 +/- 0.25	6.18 +/- 0.19	2.42 +/- 0.31	0.13 (-0.69, 0.95)	0.759
Intervention	101	3.91 +/- 0.21	6.45 +/- 0.18	2.54 +/- 0.27		0.739
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	183		1.66	(-0.08, 3.40)		0.062
sex X study group interaction	183		0.51	(-1.16, 2.18)		0.546
HIV Knowledge						
Control	122	1.56 +/- 0.11	2.68 +/- 0.08	1.12 +/- 0.13	-0.13 (-0.48, 0.21)	0.454
Intervention	157	1.59 +/- 0.10	2.57 +/- 0.08	0.99 +/- 0.12	-0.13 (-0.48, 0.21)	0.434
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	279		0.45	(-0.26, 1.15)		0.213
sex X study group interaction	279	-0.16 (-0.86, 0.53)				0.639
Knows where to go to get condoms (%)						
Control	122	38.04	72.37	34.33	OR 1.17 (0.60, 2.28)	0.652
Intervention	155	42.7	78.76	36.06	OK 1.17 (0.00, 2.28)	0.032

		ITT analysis a	among Out of Schoo	l (N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)		
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	277		OR 0.65 (0.15, 2.83)				
sex X study group interaction	277	OR 0.75 (0.19, 3.05)				0.691	
Embarrassed to get condoms (%)							
Control	106	72.71	64.71	-8.00	OR 1.03 (0.49, 2.16)	0.942	
Intervention	140	66.75	58.68	-8.07	OK 1.03 (0.47, 2.10)	0.742	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	246		OR 2.88 (0.46, 17.85)				
sex X study group interaction	246	OR 0.55 (0.11, 2.70)					
Knows where to go to get contraception (girls only) (%)							
Control	71	47.97	77.53	29.56	OR 0.79 (0.27, 2.28)	0.662	
Intervention	75	60.38	81.83	21.45		0.002	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	146		OR (0.66 (0.08, 5.63)		0.700	
sex X study group interaction	146			-		-	
Embarrassed to get contraception (girls only) (%)							
Control	70	53.79	48.42	-5.37	OD 0.72 (0.20, 1.74)	0.466	
Intervention	79	57.85	44.37	-13.48	OR 0.72 (0.30, 1.74)	0.466	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	149		OR (0.42 (0.07, 2.72)		0.365	
sex X study group interaction	149	_				-	
Menstrual Attitudes (ashamed of body when having period) (%)							
Control	19	83.85	32.2	-51.65	OR 4.44 (0.75, 26.32)	0.100	

		ITT analysis a	among Out of Schoo	ol (N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)	
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value
Intervention	25	58.93	36.84	-22.09		
Know where to get information about menstrual periods (%)						
Control	41	34.28	81.72	47.44	OR 0.46 (0.11, 1.96)	0.293
Intervention	36	44.94	76.25	31.31	OK 0.40 (0.11, 1.90)	0.293
Knows when next period comes (%)						
Control	18	52.83	61.57	8.74	OD 2 02 (0 45, 17.75)	0.266
Intervention	24	50.82	80.72	29.90	OR 2.83 (0.45, 17.75)	0.266
Tracking periods (%)						
Control	18	63.78	78.82	15.04	OR 0.79 (0.12, 5.04)	0.802
Intervention	24	60.79	72.1	11.31		0.002
General Health (%)						
Control	199	75.7	72.6	-3.10	OR 1.23 (0.67, 2.23)	0.501
Intervention	265	79.9	80.59	0.69	OK 1.23 (0.07, 2.23)	0.301
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	464		OR (0.85 (0.23, 3.21)		0.810
sex X study group interaction	464		OR (0.33 (0.10, 1.13)		0.077
Body Satisfaction (%)						
Control	200	30.78	36.09	5.31	OP 1 04 (0 60 1 90)	0.884
Intervention	266	30.09	36.27	6.18	OR 1.04 (0.60, 1.80)	0.004
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	466		OR	1.46 (0.47, 4.49)	'	0.510
sex X study group interaction	466		OR	1.24 (0.41, 3.74)		0.702

		ITT analysis	among Out of School	(N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)		
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Depressive symptoms							
Control	200	2.08 +/- 0.06	2.03 +/- 0.06	-0.04 +/- 0.08	-0.02 (-0.23, 0.19)	0.881	
Intervention	266	2.10 +/- 0.05	2.04 +/- 0.05	-0.06 +/- 0.07	-0.02 (-0.23, 0.19)	0.001	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	466		-0.00	5 (-0.48, 0.35)		0.757	
sex X study group interaction	466		0.17 (-0.24, 0.59)				
Teasing victimization (%)							
Control	200	36.23	27.76	-8.47	OR 0.86 (0.50, 1.49)	0.596	
Intervention	266	47.01	34.12	-12.89	OR 0.00 (0.50, 1.47)	0.390	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	466	OR 1.76 (0.55, 5.66)					
sex X study group interaction	466		OR 1.	.33 (0.43, 4.13)		0.618	
Violence victimization (%)							
Control	200	22.12	14.53	-7.59	OR 0.78 (0.39, 1.53)	0.468	
Intervention	264	33.3	18.84	-14.46	OK 0.78 (0.39, 1.33)	0.406	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	464		OR 0.	.89 (0.21, 3.69)		0.867	
sex X study group interaction	464		OR 1.	.24 (0.29, 5.31)		0.773	
Violence perpetration (%)							
Control	193	33.31	21.99	-11.32	OP 1 11 (0.61, 2.02)	0.738	
Intervention	264	37.46	27.25	-10.21	OR 1.11 (0.61, 2.03)	0.738	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	457		OR 1.01 (0.30, 3.45)				
sex X study group interaction	457		OR 2.5	86 (0.79, 10.40)		0.111	

		ITT analysis	among Out of School	(N=380: control-186;	intervention-194)			
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Romantic Relations (ever) (%)								
Control	145	13.45	59.58	46.13	OR 0.97 (0.51, 1.85)	0.938		
Intervention	207	12.62	57.17	44.55	OR 0.97 (0.31, 1.83)	0.736		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	352		OR 0.	69 (0.16, 2.96)		0.618		
sex X study group interaction	352		OR 0.51 (0.14, 1.87)					
Power Imbalance in Last Relation								
Control	11	3.72 +/- 0.24	3.68 +/- 0.27	-0.04 +/- 0.35	0.48 (-0.54, 1.50)	0.340		
Intervention	10	3.79 +/- 0.31	4.22 +/- 0.19	0.43 +/- 0.31	0.10 (0.51, 1.50)	0.340		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	21	-				-		
sex X study group interaction	21		0.17	(-2.34, 2.67)		0.889		
Intimacy in Last Relation								
Control	11	3.62 +/- 0.16	3.84 +/- 0.10	0.22 +/- 0.14	0.17 (-0.43, 0.76)	0.565		
Intervention	10	3.39 +/- 0.18	3.78 +/- 0.14	0.39 +/- 0.23	0.17 (-0.43, 0.70)	0.303		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	21			-		-		
sex X study group interaction	21		0.54	(-0.51, 1.59)		0.295		
Alcohol consumption (%)								
Control	199	6.47	13.19	6.72	OP 0 50 (0 25, 1 41)	0.235		
Intervention	265	9.6	12.13	2.53	OR 0.59 (0.25, 1.41)	0.233		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	464		OR 2.16 (0.24, 19.84)					
sex X study group interaction	464		OR 0.	63 (0.08, 5.12)		0.663		

		Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)					
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Sexual Double Standard							
Control	144	4.25 +/- 0.08	4.35 +/- 0.07	0.10 +/- 0.11	0.18 (-0.10, 0.46)	0.202	
Intervention	175	4.17 +/- 0.08	4.45 +/- 0.05	0.29 +/- 0.09	0.18 (-0.10, 0.40)	0.202	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	319		0.04 (-0.53, 0.61)				
sex X study group interaction	319		0.09 (-0.47, 0.65)				
Adolescent Romantic Expectation							
Control	90	2.67 +/- 0.12	3.55 +/- 0.11	0.87 +/- 0.16	-0.53 (-0.95, -0.12)	0.011	
Intervention	107	2.99 +/- 0.11	3.32 +/- 0.10	0.34 +/- 0.13		0.011	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	197	-0.18 (-1.08, 0.72)				0.696	
sex X study group interaction	197	0.25 (-0.57, 1.07)				0.552	
Gender Stereotypical Traits							
Control	144	4.45 +/- 0.05	4.53 +/- 0.06	0.08 +/- 0.07	0.05 (0.15 .0.25)	0.609	
Intervention	175	4.38 +/- 0.06	4.51 +/- 0.05	0.13 +/- 0.07	0.05 (-0.15, 0.25)	0.009	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	319	0.11 (-0.28, 0.51)				0.570	
sex X study group interaction	319	-0.21 (-0.60, 0.18)				0.288	
Gender Stereotypical Roles							
Control	144	4.52 +/- 0.06	4.39 +/- 0.05	-0.13 +/- 0.07	-0.02 (-0.23, 0.18)	0.814	
Intervention	174	4.46 +/- 0.06	4.31 +/- 0.06	-0.15 +/- 0.07		0.014	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	318	0.06 (-0.36, 0.48)				0.773	

	Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
sex X study group interaction	318	0.17 (-0.24, 0.58)				0.410	
Gender Equality in Household Chores (%)							
Control	142	63.22	65.18	1.96	OR 1.78 (0.96, 3.28)	0.066	
Intervention	173	61.25	75.37	14.12		0.000	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	315		OR 0	.31 (0.09, 1.08)		0.066	
sex X study group interaction	315	OR 1.08 (0.32, 3.73)				0.898	
Brothers Helped Sisters with Household Chores (%)							
Control	62	57.91	58.83	0.92	OR 1.11 (0.41, 3.00)	0.833	
Intervention	74	63.14	66.44	3.30		0.833	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	136	OR 2.76 (0.29, 25.82)				0.374	
sex X study group interaction	136	OR 0.25 (0.02, 3.40)				0.297	
It is okay to tease a girl who acts like a boy (%)							
Control	143	68.03	62.97	-5.06	OR 0.73 (0.39, 1.37)	0.220	
Intervention	171	67.68	55.03	-12.65		0.328	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	314	OR 2.07 (0.58, 7.40)				0.261	
sex X study group interaction	314	OR 1.71 (0.49, 6.03)				0.401	
It is okay to tease a boy who acts like a girl (%)							
Control	144	72.42	69.63	-2.79	OR 0.61 (0.31, 1.21)	0.160	

		Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)					
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Intervention	172	73.9	60.25	-13.65			
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	316	OR 0.97 (0.24, 3.83)					
sex X study group interaction	316	OR 1.73 (0.44, 6.78)					
Girls should be proud of their bodies as they become women (%)							
Control	142	87.82	98.49	10.67	OR 0.25 (0.04, 1.43)	0.120	
Intervention	172	88.98	94.79	5.81	OR 0.25 (0.04, 1.43)	0.120	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	314	OR 0.09 (0.00, 3.22)				0.189	
sex X study group interaction	314	OR 9.64 (0.27, 347.46)				0.215	
Men are always ready for sex (%)							
Control	141	45.74	68.35	22.61	OR 0.72 (0.39, 1.34)	0.302	
Intervention	169	47.79	62.79	15.00		0.302	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	310	OR 1.74 (0.48, 6.30)				0.400	
sex X study group interaction	310	OR 1.66 (0.47, 5.87)				0.432	
It's the girl's responsibility to prevent pregnancy (%)							
Control	140	65.69	62.6	-3.09	OR 0.71 (0.36, 1.43)	0.337	
Intervention	170	68.19	57.16	-11.03		0.337	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	310	OR 1.30 (0.31, 5.54)				0.721	
sex X study group interaction	310	OR 0.55 (0.14, 2.25)				0.409	
A real man should have as many female partners as he can (%)							

		Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)					
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Control	144	20.33	20.61	0.28	OR 0.67 (0.31, 1.45)	0.311	
Intervention	173	26.36	19.69	-6.67			
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	317		OR 0.58 (0.12, 2.80)				
sex X study group interaction		OR 0.91 (0.19, 4.50)					
Women who carry condoms on they are easy (%)							
Control	131	59.17	77.29	18.12	OR 0.70 (0.35, 1.39)	0.207	
Intervention	153	63.2	73.76	10.56		0.307	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	284	OR 1.75 (0.43, 7.15)				0.434	
sex X study group interaction	284	OR 2.35 (0.53, 10.48)				0.263	
Freedom of Movement							
Control	144	1.53 +/- 0.06	2.08 +/- 0.08	0.54 +/- 0.09	0.08 (-0.17, 0.33)	0.521	
Intervention	174	1.49 +/- 0.05	2.12 +/- 0.07	0.63 +/- 0.08	0.00 (0.17, 0.33)	0.321	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	318	-0.17 (-0.65, 0.32)				0.493	
sex X study group interaction	318	-0.06 (-0.53, 0.41)				0.810	
Voice							
Control	144	2.19 +/- 0.06	2.60 +/- 0.07	0.41 +/- 0.08	-0.08 (-0.31, 0.14)	0.465	
Intervention	174	2.25 +/- 0.05	2.58 +/- 0.07	0.33 +/- 0.08		0.403	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	318	-0.40 (-0.87, 0.07)					
sex X study group interaction	318	-0.20 (-0.65, 0.25)				0.379	

		Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)					
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Decision Making							
Control	144	2.71 +/- 0.07	3.37 +/- 0.07	0.67 +/- 0.09	0.02 (-0.22, 0.26)	0.869	
Intervention	174	2.73 +/- 0.07	3.42 +/- 0.06	0.69 +/- 0.08			
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	318	-0.12 (-0.62, 0.38)				0.647	
sex X study group interaction	318	0.30 (-0.17, 0.77)				0.204	
Parent Connectedness							
Control	143	3.24 +/- 0.06	3.28 +/- 0.07	0.03 +/- 0.09	0.07 (-0.18, 0.32)	0.602	
Intervention	174	3.16 +/- 0.06	3.26 +/- 0.07	0.10 +/- 0.09		0.602	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	317	-0.17 (-0.68, 0.33)				0.494	
sex X study group interaction	317	0.04 (-0.46, 0.55)				0.864	
Talked about Body Changes (%)							
Control	88	16.34	66.07	49.73	OR 0.53 (0.22, 1.27)	0.154	
Intervention	104	29.47	68.94	39.47	OK 0.33 (0.22, 1.27)	0.134	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	192	OR 1.21 (0.21, 7.05)				0.833	
sex X study group interaction	192	OR 0.34 (0.06, 2.01)				0.237	
Talked about Pregnancy (%)							
Control	141	11.9	25.58	13.68	OR 0.87 (0.39, 1.94)	0.728	
Intervention	170	14.47	27.19	12.72		0.720	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	311	OR 1.01 (0.17, 6.03)				0.990	
sex X study group interaction	311	OR 5.53 (1.02, 29.90)				0.047	

		Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Boy								
Control	71	4.77	30.14	25.37	OD 0.21 (0.00, 1.12)	0.076		
Intervention	93	9.33	21.56	12.23	OR 0.31 (0.09, 1.13)	0.076		
Girl								
Control	70	18.81	21.15	2.34	OR 1.72 (0.58, 5.10)	0.331		
Intervention	77	20.21	33.48	13.27	OK 1.72 (0.36, 3.10)	0.331		
Talked about Contraception (%)								
Control	131	5.94	26.19	20.25	OR 0.51 (0.20, 1.30)	0.157		
Intervention	158	11.54	27.03	15.49		0.137		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	289		OR 0	50 (0.05, 5.26)		0.561		
sex X study group interaction	289		OR 4.1	18 (0.55, 31.75)		0.167		
Talked about Sexual Relations (%)								
Control	141	7.63	24.17	16.54	OR 0.67 (0.27, 1.68)	0.393		
Intervention	173	11.6	25.28	13.68	OK 0.07 (0.27, 1.08)	0.393		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	314		OR 1.2	21 (0.12, 12.53)		0.875		
sex X study group interaction	314		OR 0.	64 (0.10, 4.22)		0.646		
Pregnancy Knowledge								
Control	59	3.63 +/- 0.30	6.33 +/- 0.22	2.70 +/- 0.38	-0.20 (-1.20, 0.80)	0.689		
Intervention	66	4.05 +/- 0.26	6.55 +/- 0.23	2.50 +/- 0.33		0.009		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	125	2.11 (-0.00, 4.22)						

		Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)					
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
sex X study group interaction	125		1.03	(-0.98, 3.04)		0.312	
HIV Knowledge							
Control	88	1.48 +/- 0.12	2.69 +/- 0.10	1.21 +/- 0.14	-0.21 (-0.62, 0.19)	0.302	
Intervention	105	1.64 +/- 0.12	2.64 +/- 0.09	1.00 +/- 0.15	-0.21 (-0.02, 0.19)	0.302	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	193		0.25 (-0.56, 1.07)				
sex X study group interaction	193	-0.24 (-1.05, 0.57)					
Knows where to go to get condoms (%)							
Control	85	38.62	74.77	36.15	OR 1.30 (0.59, 2.88)	0.521	
Intervention	100	42.01	81.58	39.57		0.321	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	185		OR 0.	49 (0.08, 2.89)		0.429	
sex X study group interaction	185		OR 0.	99 (0.19, 5.12)		0.994	
Embarrassed to get condoms (%)							
Control	69	70.39	61.91	-8.48	OR 1.39 (0.55, 3.53)	0.487	
Intervention	94	63.4	62.22	-1.18	OR 1.59 (0.55, 5.55)	0.467	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	163		OR 2.7	75 (0.32, 23.49)		0.355	
sex X study group interaction	163		OR 0.	76 (0.11, 5.07)		0.776	
Knows where to go to get contraception (girls only) (%)							
Control	53	44.26	80.53	36.27	OR 0.70 (0.21, 2.39)	0.573	
Intervention	54	62.8	86.09	23.29	OK 0.70 (0.21, 2.39)	0.575	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	107		OR 1.6	58 (0.14, 20.05)	1	0.680	

	Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Embarrassed to get contraception (girls only) (%)							
Control	50	54.25	41.7	-12.55	OR 1.10 (0.39, 3.15)	0.855	
Intervention	60	51.3	41.18	-10.12	OK 1.10 (0.39, 3.13)	0.633	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	110		OR 0	.84 (0.09, 7.64)		0.880	
Menstrual Attitudes (ashamed of body when having period) (%)							
Control	11	80.69	39.08	-41.61	OD 2.05 (0.27, 15.45)	0.488	
Intervention	20	62.43	34.29	-28.14	OR 2.05 (0.27, 15.45)	0.488	
Know where to get information about menstrual periods (%)							
Control	32	33.96	87.73	53.77	OR 0.27 (0.04, 1.81)	0.180	
Intervention	23	48.45	78.23	29.78	OR 0.27 (0.04, 1.81)	0.180	
Knows when next period comes (%)							
Control	10	76.03	67.37	-8.66	OD 21.56 (1.61.620.12)	0.023	
Intervention	19	47.82	94.96	47.14	OR 31.56 (1.61, 620.12)	0.023	
Tracking periods (%)							
Control	11	60.8	87.68	26.88	OP 0.76 (0.07, 8.30)	0.825	
Intervention	19	60.3	84.17	23.87	OR 0.76 (0.07, 8.39)	0.623	
General Health (%)							
Control	144	75.67	72.25	-3.42	OR 1.18 (0.59, 2.39)	0.637	
Intervention	174	79.71	79.57	-0.14	OK 1.10 (0.39, 2.39)	0.637	

		Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)					
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Body Satisfaction (%)							
Control	144	29.65	34.85	5.20	OR 0.98 (0.50, 1.89)	0.941	
Intervention	175	29.93	34.59	4.66	OK 0.98 (0.50, 1.89)	0.541	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	319	OR 1.72 (0.44, 6.77)					
sex X study group interaction	319	OR 0.89 (0.24, 3.36)					
Depressive symptoms							
Control	144	2.01 +/- 0.07	2.01 +/- 0.07	0.00 +/- 0.10	-0.07 (-0.32, 0.19)	0.604	
Intervention	175	2.12 +/- 0.07	2.06 +/- 0.06	-0.07 +/- 0.08	-0.07 (-0.32, 0.17)	0.004	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	319	0.11 (-0.38, 0.61)					
sex X study group interaction	319		0.26	(-0.23, 0.76)		0.294	
Teasing victimization (%)							
Control	144	36.14	28.78	-7.36	OR 0.68 (0.36, 1.29)	0.240	
Intervention	175	50.18	32.85	-17.33	OK 0.08 (0.30, 1.29)	0.240	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	319		OR 1.	43 (0.36, 5.64)		0.613	
sex X study group interaction	319		OR 0.	93 (0.25, 3.45)		0.918	
Violence victimization (%)							
Control	144	19.93	14.66	-5.27	OD 0.76 (0.24, 1.71)	0.504	
Intervention	173	33.5	20.85	-12.65	OR 0.76 (0.34, 1.71)	0.304	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	317	OR 1.84 (0.33, 10.10)				0.485	
sex X study group interaction	317		OR 1.	33 (0.24, 7.51)		0.747	
sex X study group interaction	317		OR 1.	33 (0.24, 7.51)			

		Per protocol analys	sis among Out of Scl	hool (N=380: control	-186; intervention-194)		
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Violence perpetration (%)							
Control	140	33.32	21.6	-11.72	OR 0.88 (0.42, 1.81)	0.723	
Intervention	174	39.6	24.06	-15.54	OK 0.88 (0.42, 1.81)	0.723	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	314		OR 1.26 (0.29, 5.45)				
sex X study group interaction	314	OR 3.54 (0.78, 16.03)					
Romantic Relations (ever) (%)							
Control	108	14.53	57.76	43.23	OR 0.91 (0.44, 1.87)	0.801	
Intervention	145	13.29	52.92	39.63	OR 0.51 (0.44, 1.07)	0.601	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	253	OR 0.69 (0.13, 3.81)					
sex X study group interaction	253		OR 0	55 (0.13, 2.31)		0.413	
Power Imbalance in Last Relation						ı	
Control	9	3.46 +/- 0.21	3.62 +/- 0.33	0.16 +/- 0.40	0.05 (-1.24, 1.34)	0.933	
Intervention	7	3.75 +/- 0.41	3.96 +/- 0.17	0.22 +/- 0.40	0.03 (-1.24, 1.34)	0.933	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	16			-		-	
sex X study group interaction	16		1.34	(-1.24, 3.93)		0.280	
Intimacy in Last Relation							
Control	9	3.67 +/- 0.19	3.92 +/- 0.10	0.25 +/- 0.17	0.19 (0.62 0.09)	0.648	
Intervention	7	3.26 +/- 0.22	3.68 +/- 0.18	0.43 +/- 0.31	0.18 (-0.63, 0.98)	0.048	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	16		1	-		-	
sex X study group interaction	16	0.88 (-0.37, 2.13)				0.150	
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	Per protocol analysis among Out of School (N=380: control-186; intervention-194)								
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value			
Alcohol consumption (%)									
Control	144	4.39	14.46	10.07	OR 0.43 (0.13, 1.40)	0.160			
Intervention	175	6.74	10.17	3.43		0.100			
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	319	OR 0.70 (0.05, 9.43)							
sex X study group interaction	319		OR 0.2	8 (0.01, 5.41)		0.402			

Appendix E. ITT and Per Protocol Analysis for In-School Adolescents

The table below first presents findings from intent to treat (ITT) analyses, followed by per protocol (PPA) analyses. Adherence to per protocol was defined as those who actually participated in the intervention versus controls who were not exposed (excluding possible contamination), and (PPA) were conducted as a sensitivity analysis to the main ITT analyses. Findings in differences and odds ratios should be interpreted with caution due to the small sample size. Differences between the PPA and ITT findings are noted in red text.

		ITT among In School Adolescents (N=1368: control-595; intervention-773)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Sexual Double Standard								
Control	595	4.32 +/- 0.04	4.34 +/- 0.03	0.02 +/- 0.04	-0.14 (-0.26, -0.02)	0.024		
Intervention	773	4.35 +/- 0.03	4.24 +/- 0.03	-0.12 +/- 0.04	0.14 (0.20, 0.02)	0.024		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1368	-0.02 (-0.26, 0.22)						
sex X study group interaction	1368	-0.16 (-0.40, 0.07)						
Adolescent Romantic Expectation								
Control	324	2.85 +/- 0.06	3.31 +/- 0.06	0.46 +/- 0.08	0.12 (-0.09, 0.33)	0.250		
Intervention	486	2.69 +/- 0.05	3.26 +/- 0.05	0.58 +/- 0.06		0.230		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	810			-0.15 (-0.59, 0.29)		0.516		
sex X study group interaction	810			-0.48 (-0.89, -0.07)		0.022		
Boy								
Control	162	2.87 +/- 0.09	3.29 +/- 0.09	0.42 +/- 0.11	0.39 (0.11, 0.66)	0.006		
Intervention	221	2.60 +/- 0.07	3.40 +/- 0.07	0.80 +/- 0.09	0.39 (0.11, 0.66)	0.006		
Girl								
Control	162	2.83 +/- 0.08	3.32 +/- 0.09	0.49 +/- 0.12	-0.09 (-0.39, 0.21)	0.556		

		ITT among	In School Adoles	scents (N=1368: control-595; in	tervention-773)	
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value
Intervention	265	2.76 +/- 0.06	3.16 +/- 0.07	0.40 +/- 0.09		
Gender Stereotypical Traits						
Control	595	4.51 +/- 0.03	4.41 +/- 0.03	-0.09 +/- 0.04	0.09 (-0.01, 0.19)	0.068
Intervention	773	4.42 +/- 0.03	4.41 +/- 0.02	-0.00 +/- 0.03	0.09 (-0.01, 0.19)	0.008
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1368			0.10 (-0.10, 0.30)		0.335
sex X study group interaction	1368	-0.02 (-0.21, 0.18)				
Gender Stereotypical Roles						
Control	595	4.46 +/- 0.03	4.28 +/- 0.03	-0.19 +/- 0.04	-0.14 (-0.25, -0.03)	0.010
Intervention	772	4.39 +/- 0.03	4.06 +/- 0.03	-0.33 +/- 0.04		0.010
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1367	0.05 (-0.17, 0.28)				
sex X study group interaction	1367			0.11 (-0.10, 0.33)		0.313
Gender Equality in Household Chores (%)						
Control	593	63.03	62.92	-0.11	OR 1.77 (1.29, 2.42)	<0.001
Intervention	771	59.51	72.08	12.57	OR 1.77 (1.29, 2.42)	<0.001
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1364			OR 1.01 (0.53, 1.92)		0.972
sex X study group interaction	1364			OR 0.72 (0.38, 1.37)		0.315
Brothers Helped Sisters with Household Chores (%)						
Control	220	68.66	65.58	-3.08	OD 0.00 (0.00 1.75)	0.869
Intervention	302	65.25	61.07	-4.18	OR 0.96 (0.60, 1.55)	0.809
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	522		1	OR 1.07 (0.40, 2.85)		0.889

		ITT among In School Adolescents (N=1368: control-595; intervention-773)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
sex X study group interaction	522			OR 2.25 (0.66, 7.65)		0.193		
It is okay to tease a girl who acts like a boy (%)							
Control	594	61.62	61.8	0.18	OR 0.99 (0.74, 1.34)	0.972		
Intervention	768	57.86	57.93	0.07	OK 0.33 (0.74, 1.34)	0.972		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1362		OR 1.40 (0.77, 2.55)					
sex X study group interaction	1362	OR 0.73 (0.40, 1.32)				0.293		
It is okay to tease a boy who acts like a girl (%)							
Control	595	69.07	62.44	-6.63	OR 1.25 (0.93, 1.68)	0.139		
Intervention	773	61.83	60.12	-1.71		0.137		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1368	OR 1.49 (0.82, 2.71)				0.195		
sex X study group interaction	1368			OR 1.01 (0.55, 1.83)		0.986		
Girls should be proud of their bodies as they become women (%)	7							
Control	593	92.06	96.76	4.70	OR 0.72 (0.37, 1.42)	0.346		
Intervention	770	91.71	95.39	3.68	OR 0.72 (0.37, 1.42)	0.346		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1363			OR 1.18 (0.31, 4.56)		0.810		
sex X study group interaction	1363			OR 0.44 (0.11, 1.69)		0.232		
Men are always ready for sex (%)								
Control	589	40.7	63.77	23.07	OR 0.70 (0.52, 0.96)	0.026		
Intervention	767	47.84	62.36	14.52	OK 0.70 (0.32, 0.90)	0.026		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1356			OR 1.07 (0.57, 2.00)	,	0.837		

		ITT among	In School Adoles	scents (N=1368: control-595; ir	ntervention-773)	
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value
sex X study group interaction	1356			OR 0.73 (0.40, 1.36)		0.325
It's the girl's responsibility to prevent pregnancy (%)						
Control	591	69.2	52.93	-16.27	OR 0.70 (0.51, 0.97)	0.034
Intervention	766	73.72	49.73	-23.99	OK 0.70 (0.31, 0.97)	0.034
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1357		OR 1.13 (0.59, 2.18)			
sex X study group interaction	1357		OR 0.67 (0.35, 1.28)			
A real man should have as many female partners as he can (%)						
Control	594	18.84	13.32	-5.52	OR 1.46 (0.96, 2.22)	0.077
Intervention	772	14.3	13.89	-0.41		0.077
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1366			OR 1.72 (0.74, 3.98)	,	0.209
sex X study group interaction	1366			OR 0.73 (0.31, 1.72)		0.474
Women who carry condoms on they are easy (%)						
Control	553	63.13	74.64	11.51	OR 0.87 (0.62, 1.22)	0.424
Intervention	736	59.3	68.58	9.28	OK 0.87 (0.02, 1.22)	0.424
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1289		1	OR 1.57 (0.80, 3.12)	'	0.192
sex X study group interaction	1289			OR 0.77 (0.39, 1.53)		0.456
Freedom of Movement						
Control	595	1.64 +/- 0.03	2.13 +/- 0.04	0.49 +/- 0.04	-0.01 (-0.12, 0.10)	0.907
Intervention	773	1.61 +/- 0.03	2.09 +/- 0.03	0.48 +/- 0.04	-0.01 (-0.12, 0.10)	0.307

		ITT among In School Adolescents (N=1368: control-595; intervention-773)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1368	0.02 (-0.20, 0.24)						
sex X study group interaction	1368		-0.17 (-0.38, 0.05)					
Voice								
Control	595	2.49 +/- 0.03	2.64 +/- 0.03	0.15 +/- 0.04	0.01 (-0.09, 0.11)	0.826		
Intervention	773	2.59 +/- 0.02	2.75 +/- 0.03	0.16 +/- 0.03	0.01 (-0.09, 0.11)	0.820		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1368	-0.15 (-0.35, 0.06)						
sex X study group interaction	1368	-0.06 (-0.26, 0.14)						
Decision Making								
Control	595	2.68 +/- 0.04	3.46 +/- 0.03	0.78 +/- 0.04	-0.06 (-0.18, 0.06)	0.331		
Intervention	773	2.80 +/- 0.03	3.52 +/- 0.02	0.72 +/- 0.04		0.551		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1368			-0.09 (-0.33, 0.14)		0.437		
sex X study group interaction	1368			-0.21 (-0.45, 0.02)		0.077		
Parent Connectedness								
Control	593	3.28 +/- 0.03	3.31 +/- 0.03	0.03 +/- 0.04	0.03 (-0.08, 0.15)	0.596		
Intervention	772	3.20 +/- 0.03	3.26 +/- 0.03	0.06 +/- 0.04	0.03 (-0.08, 0.13)	0.396		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1365			-0.01 (-0.24, 0.22)		0.935		
sex X study group interaction	1365			0.05 (-0.18, 0.28)		0.653		
Talked about Body Changes (%)								
Control	320	29.77	59.65	29.88	OR 1.15 (0.75, 1.75)	0.526		
Intervention	473	37.81	70.84	33.03	OK 1.13 (0.73, 1.73)	0.320		

		ITT among In School Adolescents (N=1368: control-595; intervention-773)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	793	OR 1.82 (0.73, 4.58)				0.200		
sex X study group interaction	793		OR 0.80 (0.33, 1.93)					
Talked about Pregnancy (%)								
Control	583	9.64	31.78	22.14	OR 0.78 (0.52, 1.16)	0.216		
Intervention	745	14.31	36.17	21.86	OK 0.78 (0.32, 1.10)	0.210		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1328	OR 2.67 (0.96, 7.42)						
sex X study group interaction	1328	OR 1.66 (0.74, 3.71)				0.215		
Talked about Contraception (%)								
Control	560	9.37	30.88	21.51	OR 0.79 (0.52, 1.19)	0.254		
Intervention	710	13.93	35.46	21.53		0.234		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1270			OR 1.33 (0.48, 3.68)	'	0.578		
sex X study group interaction	1270			OR 1.87 (0.81, 4.35)		0.144		
Talked about Sexual Relations (%)								
Control	581	7.89	29.16	21.27	OR 0.85 (0.56, 1.31)	0.469		
Intervention	752	11.1	33.89	22.79	OK 0.83 (0.36, 1.31)	0.409		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1333			OR 1.50 (0.46, 4.91)		0.504		
sex X study group interaction	1333			OR 1.63 (0.68, 3.92)		0.277		
Pregnancy Knowledge								
Control	227	4.08 +/- 0.13	6.41 +/- 0.14	2.33 +/- 0.18	0.45 (0.01, 0.90)	0.046		
Intervention	362	3.91 +/- 0.11	6.70 +/- 0.10	2.79 +/- 0.14	0.43 (0.01, 0.90)	0.040		

		ITT among	In School Adoles	scents (N=1368: control-595; in	tervention-773)	
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	589		-0.17 (-1.11, 0.78)			
sex X study group interaction	589		1.09 (0.21, 1.97)			
Boy						
Control	117	4.06 +/- 0.17	6.91 +/- 0.17	2.85 +/- 0.24	-0.11 (-0.75, 0.54)	0.745
Intervention	164	4.13 +/- 0.18	6.88 +/- 0.15	2.75 +/- 0.22	-0.11 (-0.73, 0.34)	0.743
Girl						
Control	110	4.09 +/- 0.18	5.92 +/- 0.20	1.83 +/- 0.26	0.98 (0.37, 1.59)	0.002
Intervention	233	3.75 +/- 0.13	6.56 +/- 0.13	2.81 +/- 0.17		0.002
HIV Knowledge						
Control	321	1.81 +/- 0.06	2.52 +/- 0.06	0.71 +/- 0.08	0.08 (-0.12, 0.28)	0.446
Intervention	476	1.80 +/- 0.05	2.59 +/- 0.04	0.79 +/- 0.06	0.08 (-0.12, 0.28)	0.440
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	797		1	0.16 (-0.25, 0.57)	-	0.445
sex X study group interaction	797			0.15 (-0.25, 0.55)		0.467
Knows where to go to get condoms (%)						
Control	357	41.67	78.54	36.87	OR 0.93 (0.60, 1.43)	0.742
Intervention	435	46	80.23	34.23	OK 0.33 (0.00, 1.43)	0.742
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	792			OR 0.62 (0.25, 1.51)		0.289
sex X study group interaction	792	OR 1.15 (0.47, 2.82)				0.757
Embarrassed to get condoms (%)						
Control	339	68.35	64.35	-4.00	OR 1.22 (0.79, 1.87)	0.364

	ITT among In School Adolescents (N=1368: control-595; intervention-773)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Intervention	413	68.51	68.91	0.40			
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	752		1	OR 0.74 (0.30, 1.83)	-	0.513	
sex X study group interaction	752		OR 1.65 (0.70, 3.92)				
Knows where to go to get contraception (girls only) (%)							
Control	226	63.16	70.67	7.51	OR 1.56 (0.92, 2.65)	0.008	
Intervention	299	57.41	74.73	17.32	OK 1.30 (0.92, 2.03)	0.098	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	525		1	OR 1.45 (0.48, 4.40)	-	0.513	
Embarrassed to get contraception (girls only) (%)							
Control	231	54.48	41.48	-13.00	OR 1.27 (0.80, 2.03)	0.316	
Intervention	302	58.03	50.98	-7.05		0.310	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	533			OR 1.09 (0.41, 2.87)		0.860	
Menstrual Attitudes (ashamed of body when having period) (%)							
Control	81	37.39	25.48	-11.91	OR 0.81 (0.34, 1.96)	0.643	
Intervention	99	39.98	23.64	-16.34	OK 0.61 (0.54, 1.90)	0.043	
Know where to get information about menstrual periods (%)							
Control	109	53.58	82.72	29.14	OP 1 00 (0 40 2 46)	0.826	
Intervention	166	55.98	85.24	29.26	OR 1.09 (0.49, 2.46)	0.020	
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	275			OR 0.66 (0.12, 3.74)	1	0.641	
Knows when next period comes (%)							

		ITT among In School Adolescents (N=1368: control-595; intervention-773)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Control	78	57.03	69.09	12.06	OR 0.95 (0.41, 2.18)	0.906		
Intervention	98	61.22	71.66	10.44	OK 0.93 (0.41, 2.16)	0.900		
Tracking periods (%)								
Control	81	58.74	74.79	16.05	OR 0.76 (0.31, 1.83)	0.539		
Intervention	97	71.39	79.78	8.39	OR 0.70 (0.51, 1.85)	0.559		
General Health (%)								
Control	592	89.2	83.74	-5.46	OR 0.93 (0.61, 1.41)	0.734		
Intervention	770	87.19	79.79	-7.40	OK 0.93 (0.01, 1.41)	0.734		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1362	OR 0.83 (0.35, 1.97)				0.673		
sex X study group interaction	1362			OR 0.47 (0.21, 1.09)		0.080		
Body Satisfaction (%)								
Control	595	39.68	39.28	-0.40	OR 1.25 (0.92, 1.71)	0.156		
Intervention	773	36.36	41.31	4.95	OK 1.23 (0.92, 1.71)	0.130		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1368			OR 0.84 (0.45, 1.57)		0.580		
sex X study group interaction	1368			OR 1.18 (0.63, 2.19)		0.608		
Depressive symptoms								
Control	595	1.95 +/- 0.03	1.90 +/- 0.03	-0.05 +/- 0.04	0.02 (0.08 0.12)	0.671		
Intervention	773	1.99 +/- 0.03	1.96 +/- 0.03	-0.03 +/- 0.04	0.02 (-0.08, 0.13)	0.671		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1368	-0.13 (-0.34, 0.09)				0.246		
sex X study group interaction	1368		0.02 (-0.19, 0.24)					

		ITT among In School Adolescents (N=1368: control-595; intervention-773)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Teasing victimization (%)								
Control	591	33.15	23.38	-9.77	OR 1.03 (0.75, 1.43)	0.842		
Intervention	770	38.56	28.52	-10.04	OR 1.03 (0.73, 1.43)	0.842		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1361			OR 0.95 (0.49, 1.84)		0.878		
sex X study group interaction	1361		OR 0.86 (0.43, 1.69)					
Violence victimization (%)								
Control	592	21.14	12.56	-8.58	OR 0.93 (0.62, 1.39)	0.711		
Intervention	770	25.38	14.44	-10.94	OK 0.73 (0.02, 1.37)	0.711		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1362		OR 0.50 (0.22, 1.14)					
sex X study group interaction	1362			OR 1.79 (0.75, 4.29)		0.189		
Violence perpetration (%)								
Control	584	30.23	25.04	-5.19	OR 0.96 (0.69, 1.33)	0.813		
Intervention	759	35.34	28.83	-6.51	OK 0.50 (0.05, 1.55)	0.813		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1343			OR 0.71 (0.37, 1.38)	'	0.315		
sex X study group interaction	1343			OR 0.78 (0.40, 1.52)		0.465		
Romantic Relations (ever) (%)								
Control	476	10.36	55.57	45.21	OD 0.76 (0.51, 1.12)	0.162		
Intervention	596	12.78	54.59	41.81	OR 0.76 (0.51, 1.12)	0.162		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1072		OR 0.77 (0.30, 1.97)					
sex X study group interaction	1072			OR 0.90 (0.40, 2.01)		0.795		

		ITT among In School Adolescents (N=1368: control-595; intervention-773)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (W5-baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Power Imbalance in Last Relation								
Control	36	3.61 +/- 0.16	3.89 +/- 0.13	0.28 +/- 0.18	0.24 (-0.26, 0.75)	0.341		
Intervention	50	3.32 +/- 0.12	3.85 +/- 0.13	0.53 +/- 0.17	0.24 (-0.20, 0.73)	0.541		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	86		-0.89 (-2.30, 0.52)					
sex X study group interaction	86	0.77 (-0.18, 1.72)				0.112		
Intimacy in Last Relation								
Control	36	3.55 +/- 0.11	3.82 +/- 0.10	0.27 +/- 0.14	-0.07 (-0.45, 0.32)	0.729		
Intervention	50	3.44 +/- 0.10	3.65 +/- 0.07	0.20 +/- 0.13	-0.07 (-0.43, 0.32)	0.729		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	86			0.71 (-0.38, 1.80)		0.199		
sex X study group interaction	86			-0.17 (-1.02, 0.68)		0.689		
Alcohol consumption (%)								
Control	591	7.53	12.83	5.30	OP 0.01 (0.56, 1.50)	0.721		
Intervention	772	7.6	11.97	4.37	OR 0.91 (0.56, 1.50)	0.721		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	1363	OR 1.17 (0.39, 3.53)				0.775		
sex X study group interaction	1363		OR 1.88 (0.63, 5.62)					

		Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Sexual Double Standard								
Control	387	4.29 +/- 0.04	4.32 +/- 0.04	0.03 +/- 0.06	-0.18 (-0.32, -0.04)	0.014		
Intervention	585	4.38 +/- 0.03	4.23 +/- 0.04	-0.15 +/- 0.05	-0.16 (-0.32, -0.04)	0.014		
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	972		0.01 (-0.28, 0.29)					
sex X studygroup interaction	972		-0.17 (-0.45, 0.12)					
Adolescent Romantic Expectation								
Control	226	2.88 +/- 0.07	3.29 +/- 0.07	0.41 +/- 0.09	0.19 (-0.05, 0.42)	0.118		
Intervention	361	2.67 +/- 0.06	3.27 +/- 0.06	0.60 +/- 0.07		0.116		
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	587		1	-0.09 (-0.58, 0.40)	1	0.714		
sex X studygroup interaction	587			-0.42 (-0.88, 0.05)		0.077		
Gender Stereotypical Traits								
Control	387	4.52 +/- 0.03	4.42 +/- 0.04	-0.10 +/- 0.05	0.08 (-0.04, 0.19)	0.201		
Intervention	585	4.42 +/- 0.03	4.40 +/- 0.03	-0.02 +/- 0.04	0.03 (-0.04, 0.19)	0.201		
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	972		1	0.10 (-0.13, 0.34)		0.398		
sex X studygroup interaction	972			-0.00 (-0.23, 0.23)		0.979		
Gender Stereotypical Roles								
Control	387	4.50 +/- 0.04	4.26 +/- 0.03	-0.24 +/- 0.05	-0.05 (-0.18, 0.08)	0.469		
Intervention	584	4.37 +/- 0.03	4.08 +/- 0.03	-0.29 +/- 0.04	0.03 (-0.16, 0.06)	0.709		

	Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	971		1	0.03 (-0.23, 0.30)	1	0.804	
sex X studygroup interaction	971			0.16 (-0.10, 0.41)		0.224	
Gender Equality in Household Chores (%)							
Control	386	62.54	62.12	-0.42	OR 1.83 (1.25, 2.67)	0.002	
Intervention	583	59.77	72.72	12.95	OK 1.03 (1.23, 2.07)	0.002	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	969	OR 1.34 (0.62, 2.89)				0.453	
sex X studygroup interaction	969	OR 0.54 (0.25, 1.18)				0.121	
Brothers Helped Sisters with Household Chores (%)							
Control	156	73.15	66.46	-6.69	OR 1.09 (0.61, 1.92)	0.775	
Intervention	219	63.81	58.22	-5.59	0.01, 1.02	0.773	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	375			OR 1.38 (0.42, 4.51)		0.596	
sex X studygroup interaction	375			OR 2.93 (0.64, 13.47)		0.167	
It is okay to tease a girl who acts like a boy (%)							
Control	387	61.14	63.13	1.99	OR 0.93 (0.65, 1.32)	0.685	
Intervention	581	56.76	57.05	0.29	OK 0.93 (0.03, 1.32)	0.083	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	968			OR 1.09 (0.53, 2.22)		0.818	
sex X studygroup interaction	968			OR 0.93 (0.46, 1.88)		0.833	
It is okay to tease a boy who acts like a girl (%)							

	Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
Control	387	70.73	62.51	-8.22	OR 1.39 (0.98, 1.99)	0.065	
Intervention	585	60.69	59.77	-0.92	OK 1.39 (0.96, 1.99)	0.003	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	972			OR 1.35 (0.66, 2.76)	1	0.417	
sex X studygroup interaction	972		OR 1.04 (0.51, 2.13)				
Girls should be proud of their bodies as they become women (%)							
Control	385	91.67	96.74	5.07	OR 0.76 (0.34, 1.66)	0.487	
Intervention	583	91.94	95.87	3.93		0.467	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	968	OR 1.33 (0.26, 6.72)				0.734	
sex X studygroup interaction	968			OR 0.40 (0.08, 1.95)		0.255	
Men are always ready for sex (%)							
Control	384	40.77	62.81	22.04	OR 0.80 (0.55, 1.15)	0.229	
Intervention	582	47.33	63.72	16.39	OK 0.60 (0.55, 1.15)	0.229	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	966			OR 1.13 (0.53, 2.41)		0.755	
sex X studygroup interaction	966			OR 0.59 (0.28, 1.25)		0.170	
It's the girl's responsibility to prevent pregnancy (%)							
Control	386	67.64	54.8	-12.84	OR 0.62 (0.42, 0.91)	0.014	
Intervention	582	72.6	48.7	-23.90	OR 0.02 (0.72, 0.91)	0.014	

	Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	968			OR 0.71 (0.33, 1.56)		0.397	
sex X studygroup interaction	968		OR 0.53 (0.25, 1.14)				
A real man should have as many female partners as he can (%)							
Control	387	20.75	12.51	-8.24	OR 1.94 (1.17, 3.21)	0.010	
Intervention	584	13.85	14.56	0.71	OK 1.54 (1.17, 3.21)	0.010	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	971			OR 1.81 (0.66, 5.00)		0.251	
sex X studygroup interaction	971			OR 0.82 (0.29, 2.31)		0.705	
Women who carry condoms on they are easy (%)							
Control	361	61.34	75.09	13.75	OR 0.83 (0.55, 1.23)	0.348	
Intervention	558	58.77	69.1	10.33	OK 0.63 (0.33, 1.23)	0.546	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	919			OR 1.05 (0.47, 2.34)		0.907	
sex X studygroup interaction	919			OR 0.85 (0.38, 1.92)		0.703	
Freedom of Movement							
Control	387	1.64 +/- 0.03	2.08 +/- 0.05	0.44 +/- 0.05	-0.02 (-0.15, 0.12)	0.821	
Intervention	585	1.64 +/- 0.03	2.07 +/- 0.04	0.43 +/- 0.04	-0.02 (-0.13, 0.12)	0.021	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	972			-0.07 (-0.33, 0.19)	1	0.602	
sex X studygroup interaction	972			-0.08 (-0.34, 0.18)		0.568	

		Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Voice								
Control	387	2.48 +/- 0.03	2.57 +/- 0.04	0.09 +/- 0.05	0.04 (-0.09, 0.16)	0.558		
Intervention	585	2.62 +/- 0.03	2.75 +/- 0.03	0.13 +/- 0.04	(, ,	0.556		
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	972		-0.22 (-0.47, 0.02)					
sex X studygroup interaction	972		0.02 (-0.22, 0.26)					
Decision Making								
Control	387	2.67 +/- 0.05	3.47 +/- 0.04	0.80 +/- 0.06	-0.11 (-0.25, 0.04)	0.141		
Intervention	585	2.83 +/- 0.04	3.52 +/- 0.03	0.69 +/- 0.05		0.141		
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	972		1	-0.11 (-0.40, 0.18)		0.461		
sex X studygroup interaction	972			-0.04 (-0.33, 0.24)		0.761		
Parent Connectedness								
Control	386	3.28 +/- 0.04	3.29 +/- 0.04	0.00 +/- 0.05	0.05 (-0.09, 0.19)	0.498		
Intervention	584	3.21 +/- 0.03	3.26 +/- 0.03	0.05 +/- 0.05	0.03 (-0.09, 0.19)	0.498		
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	970			0.08 (-0.20, 0.35)	'	0.572		
sex X studygroup interaction	970			0.07 (-0.21, 0.35)		0.622		
Talked about Body Changes (%)								
Control	224	27.02	58.02	31.00	OR 0.91 (0.55, 1.50)	0.711		
Intervention	353	40.79	70.06	29.27	0.51 (0.55, 1.50)	0.711		

	Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	577		ı	OR 2.16 (0.72, 6.48)		0.168	
sex X studygroup interaction	577			OR 0.57 (0.20, 1.59)		0.283	
Talked about Pregnancy (%)							
Control	381	8.46	31.63	23.17	OR 0.62 (0.38, 1.03)	0.064	
Intervention	564	14.71	34.97	20.26	OK 0.02 (0.36, 1.03)	0.004	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	945			OR 1.59 (0.47, 5.45)		0.457	
sex X studygroup interaction	945			OR 5.04 (1.76, 14.43)		0.003	
Воу							
Control	196	4.25	38.4	34.15	OR 0.24 (0.11, 0.56)	0.001	
Intervention	262	14.51	36.59	22.08	OK 0.24 (0.11, 0.30)	0.001	
Girl							
Control	185	12.42	25.27	12.85	OR 1.22 (0.64, 2.33)	0.547	
Intervention	302	14.87	33.67	18.80	OK 1.22 (0.04, 2.33)	0.547	
Talked about Contraception (%)							
Control	362	8.64	32.73	24.09	OR 0.61 (0.37, 1.01)	0.055	
Intervention	543	14.35	34.61	20.26	OR 0.61 (0.37, 1.01)	0.033	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	905		1	OR 1.05 (0.31, 3.49)	1	0.941	
sex X studygroup interaction	905			OR 3.44 (1.20, 9.89)		0.022	

		Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)						
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
Boy								
Control	187	4.97	35.93	30.96	OR 0.30 (0.13, 0.69)	0.005		
Intervention	254	18.32	42.13	23.81	OK 0.30 (0.13, 0.02)	0.005		
Girl								
Control	175	12.13	29.69	17.56	OR 1.04 (0.54, 2.01)	0.904		
Intervention	289	11.14	28.54	17.40	OK 1.04 (0.54, 2.01)	0.504		
Talked about Sexual Relations (%)								
Control	377	6.22	28.7	22.48	OR 0.66 (0.38, 1.15)	0.139		
Intervention	569	10.92	32.86	21.94		0.137		
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	946			OR 0.89 (0.21, 3.82)		0.871		
sex X studygroup interaction	946			OR 4.05 (1.30, 12.64)		0.016		
Pregnancy Knowledge								
Control	160	4.12 +/- 0.15	6.29 +/- 0.17	2.17 +/- 0.23	0.69 (0.16, 1.23)	0.011		
Intervention	281	3.93 +/- 0.12	6.79 +/- 0.11	2.86 +/- 0.15	0.09 (0.10, 1.23)	0.011		
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	441			-0.36 (-1.51, 0.80)		0.544		
sex X studygroup interaction	441	1.18 (0.11, 2.25)				0.030		
Boy								
Control	86	4.13 +/- 0.22	6.81 +/- 0.20	2.69 +/- 0.30	0.10 (-0.66, 0.86)	0.800		

		Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)								
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value				
Intervention	127	4.19 +/- 0.20	6.98 +/- 0.17	2.78 +/- 0.25						
Girl										
Control	74	4.11 +/- 0.22	5.75 +/- 0.27	1.64 +/- 0.33	1.28 (0.53, 2.03)	0.001				
Intervention	154	3.73 +/- 0.14	6.64 +/- 0.15	2.92 +/- 0.19	1.28 (0.33, 2.03)	0.001				
HIV Knowledge										
Control	223	1.83 +/- 0.08	2.48 +/- 0.07	0.65 +/- 0.10	0.15 (-0.08, 0.39)	0.203				
Intervention	353	1.80 +/- 0.06	2.60 +/- 0.05	0.80 +/- 0.07	0.13 (-0.08, 0.39)	0.203				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	576	0.02 (-0.46, 0.49)								
sex X studygroup interaction	576			0.22 (-0.26, 0.69)		0.369				
Knows where to go to get condoms (%)										
Control	223	41.51	76.84	35.33	OR 0.90 (0.54, 1.50)	0.689				
Intervention	331	46.84	78.78	31.94	0.50 (0.54, 1.50)	0.007				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	554		1	OR 0.81 (0.28, 2.30)		0.687				
sex X studygroup interaction	554			OR 1.00 (0.35, 2.86)		0.993				
Embarrassed to get condoms (%)										
Control	210	66.46	62.32	-4.14	OR 1.27 (0.76, 2.13)	0.363				
Intervention	317	67.79	69.06	1.27	OK 1.27 (0.70, 2.13)	0.303				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	527			OR 1.19 (0.40, 3.51)	1	0.755				

		Per Protocol am	ong In School	Adolescents (N=972: control-387	; intervention-585)	
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value
sex X studygroup interaction	527			OR 1.55 (0.55, 4.36)		0.407
Knows where to go to get contraception (girls only) (%)						
Control	142	66.25	67.57	1.32	OR 1.98 (1.04, 3.76)	0.037
Intervention	236	59.35	75.39	16.04	OK 1.90 (1.04, 5.70)	0.037
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	378			OR 1.11 (0.29, 4.33)		0.877
sex X studygroup interaction	378			-		-
Embarrassed to get contraception (girls only) (%)						
Control	148	51.73	41.31	-10.42	OR 1.14 (0.65, 1.99)	0.641
Intervention	235	57.25	50.1	-7.15	0.00, 1.77	0.011
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	383			OR 1.04 (0.32, 3.33)		0.947
sex X studygroup interaction	383			-		-
Menstrual Attitudes (ashamed of body when having period) (%)						
Control	44	47.23	23.11	-24.12	OR 1.23 (0.39, 3.87)	0.725
Intervention	78	36.32	19.05	-17.27	OK 1.23 (0.33, 3.87)	0.723
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	122		1	-	1	-
sex X studygroup interaction	122			-		-
Know where to get information about menstrual periods (%)						

		Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)								
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value				
Control	72	53.71	82.3	28.59	OR 0.83 (0.33, 2.06)	0.690				
Intervention	126	58.78	82.6	23.82	OK 0.83 (0.33, 2.00)	0.090				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	198		1	OR 0.93 (0.14, 6.25)		0.940				
sex X studygroup interaction	198				-	-				
Knows when next period comes (%)										
Control	42	53.88	67.3	13.42	OR 1.10 (0.38, 3.20)	0.860				
Intervention	77	58.96	73.59	14.63	OK 1.10 (0.36, 3.20)	0.800				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	117		1	-		-				
sex X studygroup interaction	119			-		-				
Tracking periods (%)										
Control	44	55.96	70.98	15.02	OR 0.71 (0.22, 2.36)	0.581				
Intervention	76	73.91	79.56	5.65	OK 0.71 (0.22, 2.30)	0.361				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	120		1	-		-				
sex X studygroup interaction	120			-		-				
General Health (%)										
Control	385	88.74	83.56	-5.18	OR 0.78 (0.48, 1.28)	0.324				
Intervention	583	87.77	78.3	-9.47	OR 0.70 (0.40, 1.20)	0.524				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	968		1	OR 1.29 (0.48, 3.49)	1	0.617				

		Per Protocol am	ong In School A	dolescents (N=972: control-387	; intervention-585)		
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value	
sex X studygroup interaction	968		1	OR 0.59 (0.22, 1.57)		0.291	
Body Satisfaction (%)							
Control	387	40.31	39.94	-0.37	OR 1.19 (0.82, 1.73)	0.362	
Intervention	585	37.38	41.17	3.79	OK 1.17 (0.02, 1.73)	0.302	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	972			OR 0.71 (0.33, 1.51)	1	0.373	
sex X studygroup interaction	972			OR 0.89 (0.42, 1.88)		0.755	
Depressive symptoms							
Control	387	1.94 +/- 0.03	1.90 +/- 0.04	-0.04 +/- 0.05	-0.03 (-0.15, 0.10)	0.684	
Intervention	585	2.00 +/- 0.03	1.93 +/- 0.03	-0.06 +/- 0.04	-0.03 (-0.13, 0.10)	0.004	
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	972			-0.27 (-0.52, -0.01)	1	0.039	
<12							
Control	166	1.96 +/- 0.06	1.82 +/- 0.05	-0.14 +/- 0.07	0.13 (-0.06, 0.32)	0.177	
Intervention	255	1.93 +/- 0.04	1.92 +/- 0.04	-0.01 +/- 0.06	0.13 (-0.00, 0.32)	0.177	
>=12							
Control	221	1.92 +/- 0.04	1.96 +/- 0.05	0.03 +/- 0.06	-0.14 (-0.30, 0.03)	0.113	
Intervention	330	2.04 +/- 0.04	1.94 +/- 0.04	-0.10 +/- 0.06	-0.14 (-0.30, 0.03)	0.113	
sex X studygroup interaction	972	-0.06 (-0.31, 0.19)					
Teasing victimization (%)							

		Per Protocol among In School Adolescents (N=972: control-387; intervention-585)								
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value				
Control	384	31.82	21.68	-10.14	OR 0.95 (0.64, 1.41)	0.804				
Intervention	583	38.92	26.44	-12.48	OK 0.93 (0.04, 1.41)	0.804				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	967			OR 0.99 (0.44, 2.24)		0.987				
sex X studygroup interaction	967			OR 0.79 (0.34, 1.83)		0.582				
Violence victimization (%)										
Control	385	19.5	12.7	-6.80	OR 0.76 (0.47, 1.25)	0.286				
Intervention	584	26	13.88	-12.12	OK 0.70 (0.47, 1.23)	0.200				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	969			OR 0.56 (0.20, 1.53)		0.257				
sex X studygroup interaction	969			OR 2.07 (0.73, 5.88)		0.173				
Violence perpetration (%)										
Control	382	29.22	24.06	-5.16	OR 0.84 (0.56, 1.25)	0.389				
Intervention	578	35.95	26.51	-9.44	OK 0.04 (0.30, 1.23)	0.307				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	960		1	OR 0.63 (0.28, 1.41)	1	0.259				
sex X studygroup interaction	960			OR 0.96 (0.42, 2.20)		0.925				
Romantic Relations (ever) (%)										
Control	320	10.02	50.85	40.83	OR 0.82 (0.52, 1.29)	0.393				
Intervention	473	12.81	52.8	39.99	OK 0.02 (0.32, 1.29)	0.393				
age (<12, >=12) X studygroup interaction	793			OR 0.60 (0.22, 1.63)		0.315				

		Per Protocol am	ong In School A	dolescents (N=972: control-387;	intervention-585)			
	N	Baseline	Wave 5	Difference (Wave 5–Baseline)	Delta (difference) 95% CI	P-value		
sex X studygroup interaction	793			OR 1.03 (0.40, 2.68)		0.949		
Power Imbalance in Last Relation								
Control	21	3.66 +/- 0.22	3.83 +/- 0.18	0.17 +/- 0.24	0.34 (-0.29, 0.98)	0.282		
Intervention	40	3.40 +/- 0.13	3.92 +/- 0.14	0.52 +/- 0.19	0.34 (-0.29, 0.98)	0.282		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	61		I	-0.60 (-2.37, 1.17)		0.498		
sex X study group interaction	61	0.35 (-0.86, 1.57)						
Intimacy in Last Relation								
Control	21	3.55 +/- 0.11	3.82 +/- 0.10	0.27 +/- 0.14	-0.07 (-0.45, 0.32)	0.729		
Intervention	40	3.44 +/- 0.10	3.65 +/- 0.07	0.20 +/- 0.13	-0.07 (-0.43, 0.32)	0.729		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	61		1	0.71 (-0.38, 1.80)	1	0.199		
sex X study group interaction	61			-0.17 (-1.02, 0.68)		0.689		
Alcohol consumption (%)								
Control	384	6.13	13	6.87	OB 0.70 (0.27, 1.21)	0.261		
Intervention	584	8.03	12.23	4.20	OR 0.70 (0.37, 1.31)	0.261		
age (<12, >=12) X study group interaction	968	OR 1.17 (0.39, 3.53)						
sex X study group interaction	968		OR 1.88 (0.63, 5.62)					

Appendix F. Evaluation Results by Wave

The following tables represent results for each of the four intermediate outcomes presented in the GUG Theory of Change (Figure 3 above; intermediate outcomes summarized in the figure below). A few notes on the interpretation of the tables:

- Each column presents DID analyses comparing the listed wave (W2-W5) against baseline data. More detailed findings are presented in the W2 column as these results are the main results used to assess GUG's impact (W2 data were collected 3 months after the GUG intervention ended).
- Columns 'W3', 'W4', and 'W5' show any long-term sustained intervention effects at GEAS Waves 3, 4, and 5, respectively.
- Gray shading indicates no sustained effects, while shading in color and green font indicates a sustained intervention effect.
- A green check mark represents overall statistically significant differences between intervention and control groups.
- Colored shading and green font but no check mark indicates that there were no statistically significant findings in the overall group, but that we did see statistically significant findings by the stated sub-group (i.e., age or sex).
- Red check marks indicate statistically significant findings but in the opposite hypothesized direction based on the Theory of Change.



		EFFEC	T OF INT	ERVENTION	RELATIVE TO CONTROL GRO	OUP		
SRH KNOWLEDGE	INTERVENTION, N=91	CHOOL 4; CONTRO	L, N=901 (W	OUT-OF-S(INTERVENTION, N=362; C		N=342 (W2)		
	W2	W3	W4	W5	W2	W3	W4	W5
PREGNANCY KNOWLEDGE INDEX	MEAN SCORE DIFFERENCE 0.44 (0.15, 0.73), P=0.003		√ <12 ONLY	ESPECIALLY FOR GIRLS	X MEAN SCORE DIFFERENCE 0.15 (-0.38, 0.68), P=0.585			
WHERE TO GET CONDOMS	X OR 0.98 (0.71, 1.36), P=0.923				(ESPECIALLY FOR <12Y/O AND GIRLS) OVERALL: OR 1.92 (1.14, 3.23), P=0.014 <12 Y/O: OR 4.67 (1.67, 13.07), P=0.003 GIRLS: OR 4.42 (1.76, 11.08), P=0.002			
WHERE TO GET INFORMATION ABOUT MENSTRUATION (ASKED OF MENARCHAL GIRLS)	OR 2.10 (1.34, 3.29), P=0.001	✓			✓ (ESPECIALLY FOR <12 YEARS) OVERALL: OR 4.18 (1.95, 9.00), P<0.001 <12 Y/O: OR 20.09 (4.30, 93.83), P<0.001 >12 Y/O: OR 2.22 (0.87, 5.71), P=0.097			
WHERE TO GET CONTRACEPTION (ASKED OF GIRLS ONLY)	X OR 1.45 (0.93, 2.24), P=0.098				√ OR 2.66 (1.31, 5.42), P=0.007			

CONNECTEDNESS,		EFFEC	T OF INTE	ERVENTI	ON RELATIVE TO CONTROL G	ROUP		
PERCEIVED QUALITY OF SERVICES AND BODY COMFORT	IN-SCHO	OOL			OUT-OF-S	CHOOL		
BODY COMPORT	W2	W3	W4	W5	W2	W3	W4	W5
CAREGIVER CONNECTEDNESS	✓ MEAN SCORE DIFFERENCE 0.09 (0.00, 0.18), P=0.048		1		✓ MEAN SCORE DIFFERENCE 0.22 (0.07, 0.38), P=0.005	1		
EXPECTATION OF GOOD TREATMENT IF SEEKING CONTRACEPTION (ASKED OF GIRLS ONLY)	X OR 1.46 (0.94, 2.26), P=0.090				X OR 1.92 (0.84, 4.41), P=0.124			
COMFORT WITH PUBERTAL DEVELOPMENT	X OR 2.39 (0.48, 11.97), P=0.289				X Effect not estimable ¹			
BODY SATISFACTION	X OR 1.03 (0.79, 1.34), P=0.847		√		(GIRLS ONLY) GIRLS: OR 2.79 (1.43, 5.42), P=0.003 BOYS: OR 0.82 (0.43, 1.53), P=0.527			

¹ Not estimable among OOS adolescents due to no variation in the responses (all yes) from intervention group at Wave 2.

SRH		EF	FECT OF INTE	ERVENTIC	N RELATIVE TO CONTROL GR	OUP		
COMMUNICATION WITH OTHERS	IN-S	SCHOOL		OUT-OF-	SCHOOL			
ABOUT	W2	W3	W4	W5	W2	W3	W4	W5
BODY CHANGES	X OR 0.95 (0.75, 1.20), P=0.666				X OR 0.93 (0.63, 1.36), P=0.696			
SEXUAL RELATIONSHIPS	X OR 0.84 (0.59, 1.21), P=0.360				(ESPECIALLY FOR GIRLS) OVERALL: OR 2.03 (1.11, 3.69), P=0.021 GIRLS: OR 4.61 (1.78, 11.91), P=0.002 BOYS: OR 1.11 (0.50, 2.42), P=0.801			
PREGNANCY AND HOW IT OCCURS	✓ OR 0.69 (0.49, 0.97), P=0.032	√	ESPECIALLY FOR <12		X OR 1.52 (0.86, 2.69), P=0.151			
CONTRACEPTION	X OR 0.82 (0.58, 1.17), P=0.276	4			(ESPECIALLY FOR <12Y/O) OVERALL: OR 1.93 (0.98, 3.79), P=0.055 <12 Y/O: OR 14.12 (2.64, 75.46), P=0.002 >12 Y/O: OR 1.19 (0.55, 2.58), P=0.665	<12 ONLY		

Red check marks indicate statistically significant findings but in directions unanticipated based on the GUG Theory of Change.

ATTITUDES RE: BOYS'/GIRLS' ROLES, TRAITS, ACTIVITIES	EFFECT OF INTERVENTION RELATIVE TO CONTROL GROUP									
	IN-SCH	OOL			OUT-OF-S0	CHOOL				
	W2	W3	W4	W5	W2	W3	W4	W5		
SEXUAL DOUBLE STANDARD (E.G., NOT OK FOR GIRLS TO HAVE BOYFRIENDS)	X MEAN DIFF. IN SCORE 0.02 (-0.07, 0.12), P=0.613			√	X MEAN DIFF. IN SCORE 0.08 (-0.09, 0.25), P=0.377					
GENDER-STEREOTYPICAL ROLES (E.G., THE MALE BREADWINNER)	X MEAN DIFF. IN SCORE -0.06 (-0.15, 0.03), P=0.171			✓	X MEAN DIFF. IN SCORE 0.01 (-0.13, 0.15), P=0.901					
GENDER-STEREOTYPICAL TRAITS (E.G., MALE TOUGHNESS)	X MEAN DIFF. IN SCORE 0.07 (-0.01, 0.14), P=0.102				X MEAN DIFF. IN SCORE 0.06 (-0.06, 0.19), P=0.336					

ATTITUDES RE:	EFFECT OF INTERVENTION RELATIVE TO CONTROL GROUP								
BOYS'/GIRLS' ROLES, TRAITS, ACTIVITIES	IN-SCI	HOOL			OUT-OF-SCI	HOOL			
	W2	W3	W4	W5	W2	W3	W4	W5	
GENDER EQUALITY IN HOUSEHOLD CHORES	✓ OR 1.95 (1.49, 2.56), P<0.001	1	1	✓	(ESPECIALLY FOR GIRLS) OVERALL: OR 3.46 (2.21, 5.43), P<0.001 GIRLS: OR 7.74 (3.62, 16.51), P<0.001 BOYS: OR 2.29 (1.27, 4.12), P=0.006	4	√	√	
DECREASED ACCEPTANCE OF GENDER-BASED DISCRIMINATION [‡]	AGAINST BOYS: OR 1.35 (1.05, 1.74), P=0.021 AGAINST GIRLS: OR 1.29 (1.00, 1.65), P=0.046				X AGAINST BOYS: OR 0.84 (0.53, 1.32), P=0.440 AGAINST GIRLS: OR 0.87 (0.57, 1.33), P=0.532				

^{*} An odds ratio below 1.0 would indicate decreased acceptance of gender-based discrimination between Wave 1 and subsequent waves of data collection. An odds ratio greater than 1.0 indicates greater acceptance of gender-based discrimination between Wave 1 and subsequent waves of data collection.

SHARING OF CHORES	EFFECT OF INTERVENTION RELATIVE TO CONTROL GROUP								
	IN-SCH	OOL			OUT-OF-S0	CHOOL			
	W2	W3	W4	W5	W2	W3	W4	W5	
BROTHER HELPED (FROM SISTERS' PERSPECTIVE)	X I, N=381; C, N=367 OR 1.20 (0.85, 1.70), P=0.308				X I, N=126; C, N=142 OR 1.58 (0.83, 3.03), P=0.167				
HELPED SISTERS (FROM BROTHERS' PERSPECTIVE)	X I, N=360; C, N=382 OR 0.95 (0.56, 1.61), P=0.845				I, N=167; C, N=144 OR 2.50 (1.15, 5.46), P=0.021				

REDUCTION IN BULLYING/ VIOLENCE	EFFECT OF INTERVENTION RELATIVE TO CONTROL GROUP							
	IN-SCHOOL				OUT-OF-SCHOOL			
	W2	W3	W4	W5	W2	W3	W4	W5
EXPERIENCED TEASING AND VERBAL BULLYING	X OR 1.09 (0.84, 1.41), P=0.526				✓ OR 0.61 (0.42, 0.90), P=0.014			
EXPERIENCED PHYSICAL VIOLENCE SUCH AS SLAPPING OR KICKING	X OR 0.94 (0.69, 1.28), P=0.691				X OR 0.75 (0.47, 1.19), P=0.222			
PERPETRATED TEASING, BULLYING, AND/OR PHYSICAL VIOLENCE	X OR 0.86 (0.65, 1.13), P=0.283		12+ ONLY		BOYS ONLY BOYS: OR 0.51 (0.29, 0.90), P=0.020 GIRLS: OR 1.46 (0.79, 2.72), P=0.229			