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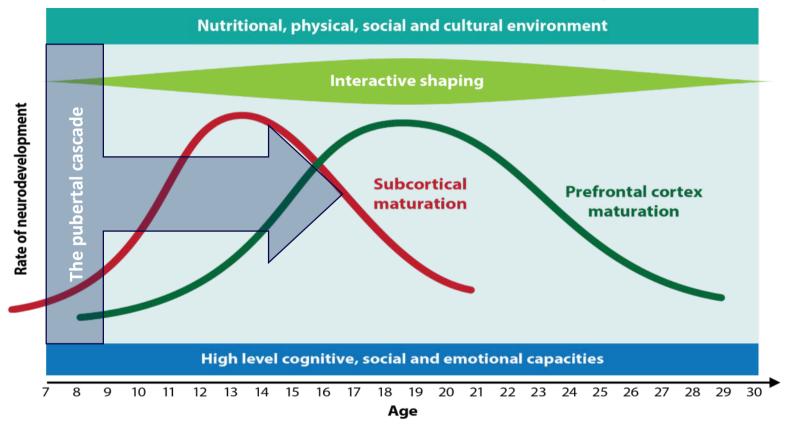
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The Potential



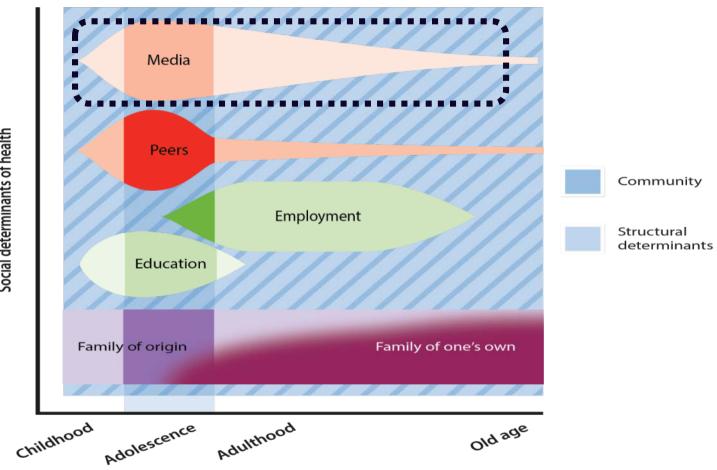
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Late childhood and adolescent neurodevelopment



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Social determinants of health

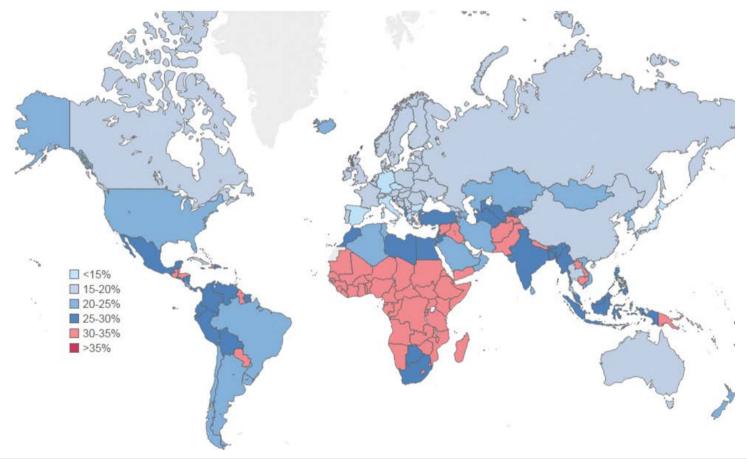
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The Opportunity



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Percentage of the total population aged 10-24 years in 2013



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THE GLOBAL STRATEGY FOR WOMEN'S, CHILDREN'S AND ADOLESCENTS' HEALTH (2016-2030)

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"Young people are the world's greatest untapped resource." UN Secretary-General

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The Challenge



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"Adolescents...the most pervasively neglected group in global health."

Richard Horton, 2012

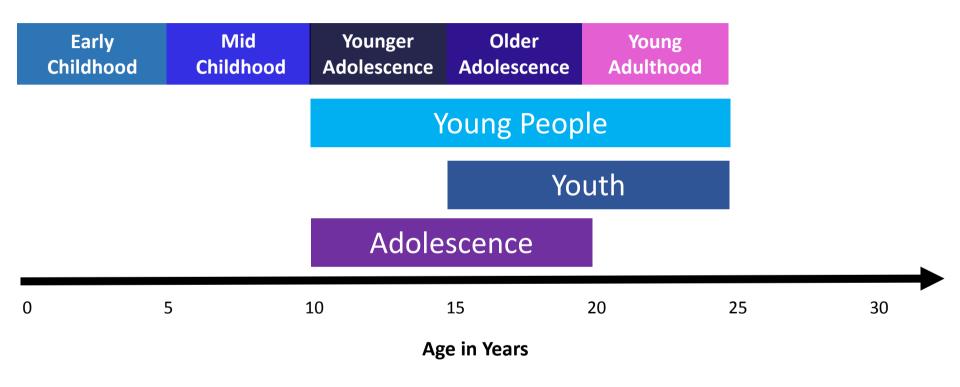
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Recommendations



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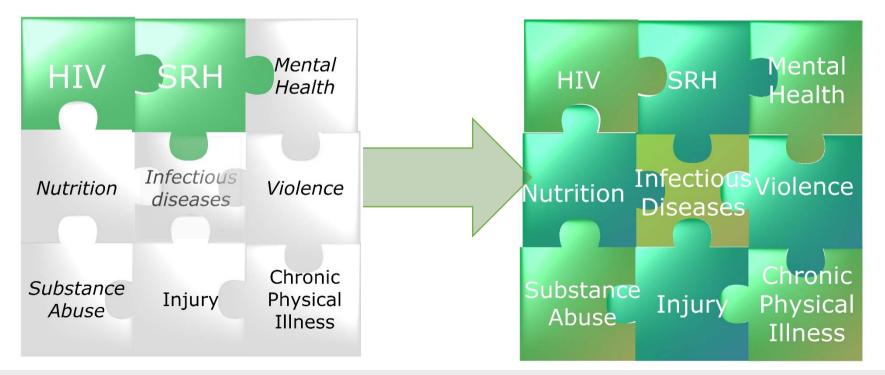
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- 1. Reframe adolescent health
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A Broader Lens

Global adolescent health today

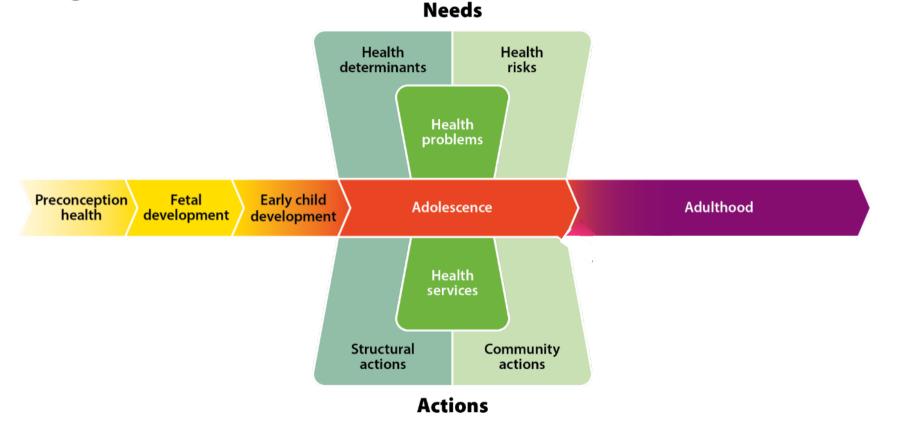
Adolescent health needs



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Longer and Broader Still

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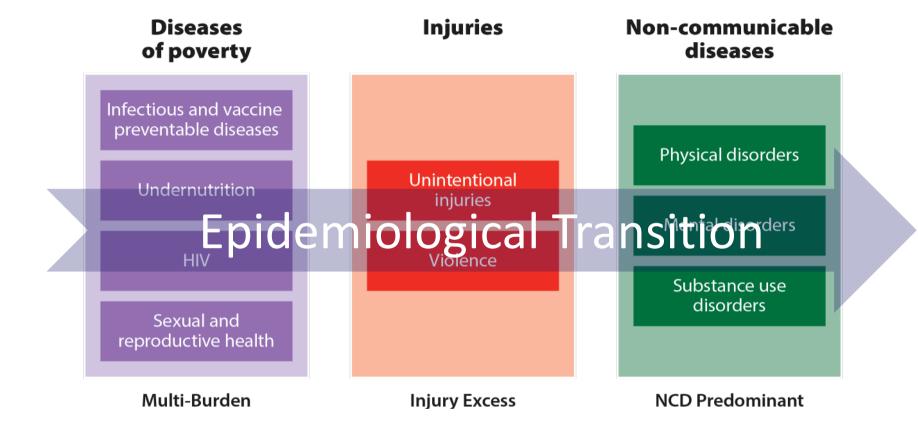


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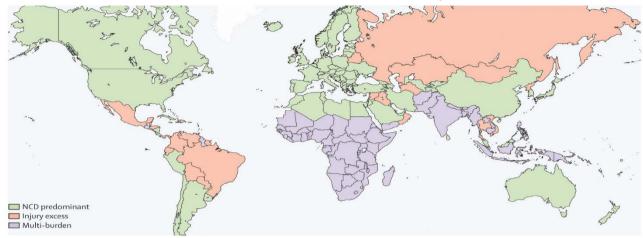


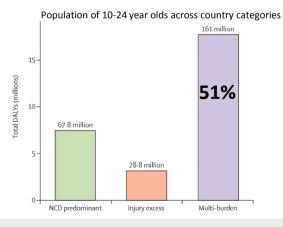


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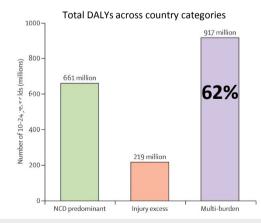
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Global adolescent health profile



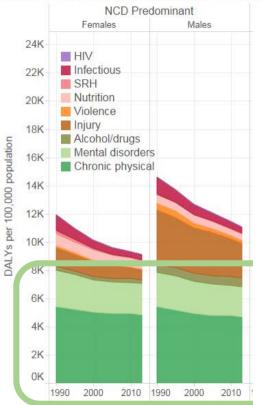


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Disease burden by country groups 1990-2013

Change in DALY rate by cause and sex in 10-24 year old from 1990-2013

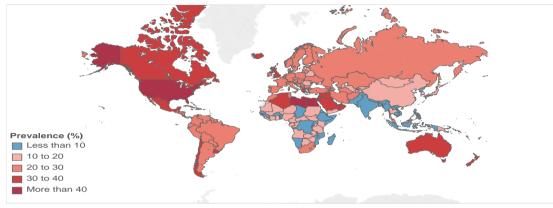


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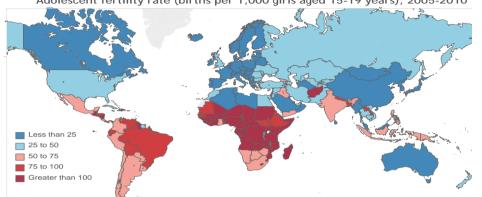
Overweight and obesity change since 1990

Prevalence in 2013



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Adolescent birth rates: change since 1990



Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 girls aged 15-19 years), 2005-2010

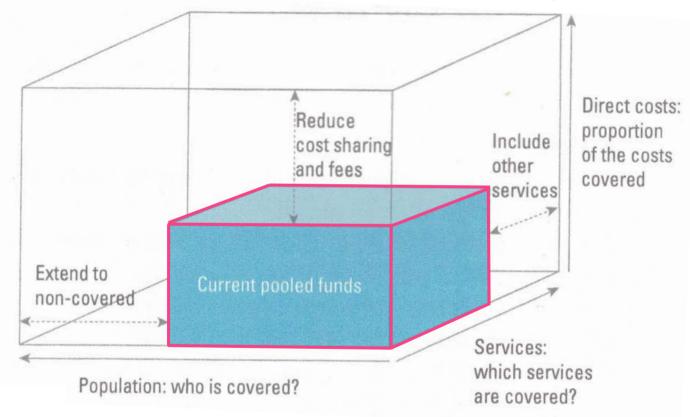
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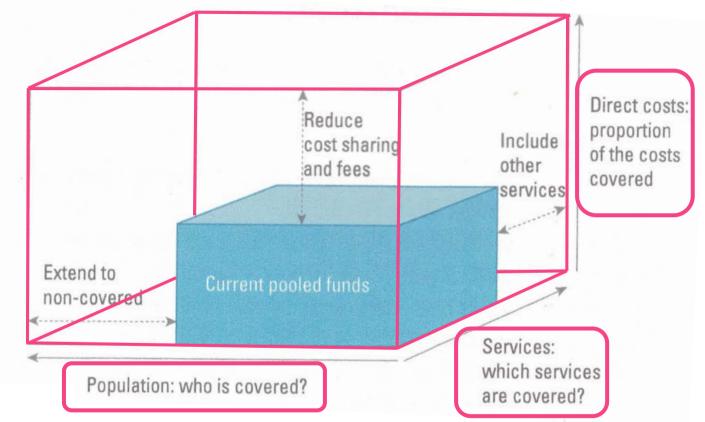
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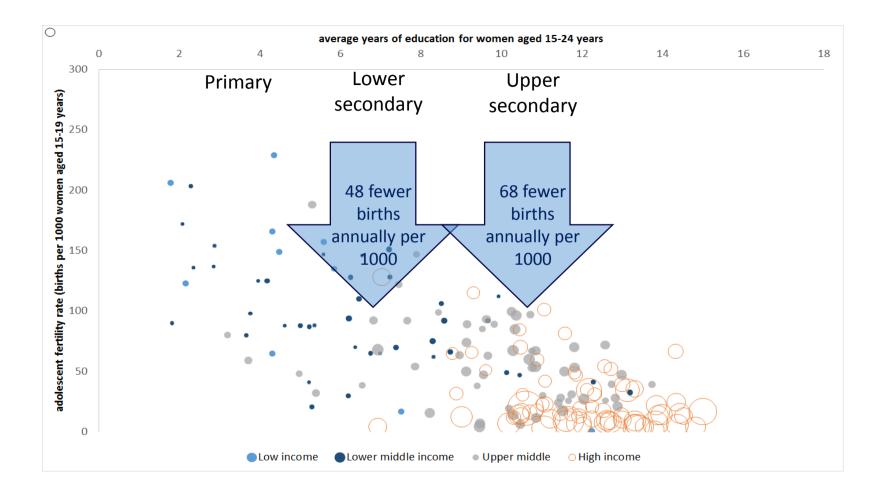
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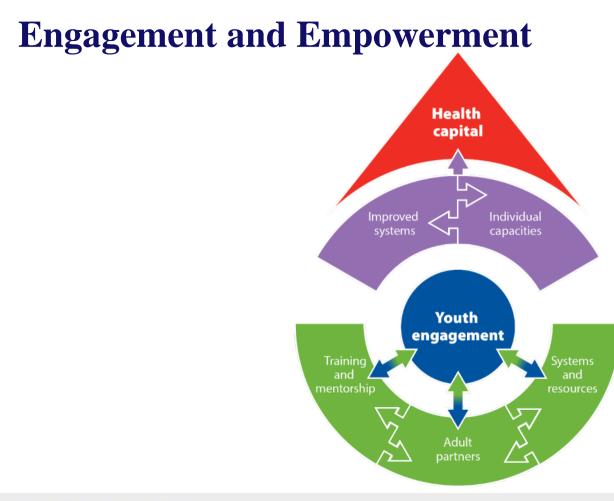
Laws: An Essential Element in the Social Scaffold

	India	Lebanon	Nigeria	Peru	Sweden	United States
Age of majority ¹	15—18	18	21	18	18	18—21
Customary/religious law exception Other exceptions	Yes Marriage	Yes Marriage	Yes Marriage	None	None Marriage	None State variance
Minimum working age	None	13	None	14	13—18	14
Customary/religious law exception Other exceptions	None Work nature	None	None	None	None Work nature	None
Minimum drinking age	18 or Illegal	16 or Illegal	18 or Illegal	18	None – 20	21
Customary/religious law exception Other exceptions	Yes State variance	Yes	Yes	None	None Alcohol strength	None
Age of criminal responsibility ²	7	7	None	12—18	15	6—14
Customary/religious law exception Other exceptions	None	None	Yes	None	None	None State variance
Minimum age of marriage	Puberty—21	9—18	9—18	16	18	16—21
Customary/religious law exception Other exceptions	Yes Gender	Yes Gender	Yes Gender	None	None Special Reason	None State variance
Heterosexual age of sexual consent	None—18	None-15	Puberty—18	14	15	16—18
Customary/religious law exception Other exceptions	Yes Marriage, gender	Yes Maturity	Yes State variance	None	None	None State Variance, Gender
Same-sex age of sexual consent	No information	No information	No information	14	15	16-18
Customary/religious law exception Other exceptions	None Legally restricted	None Legally restricted	None Legally restricted	None	None	None State Variance

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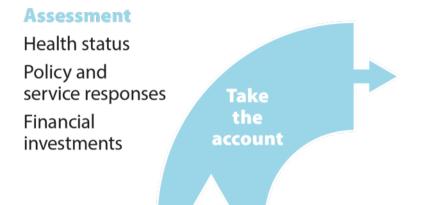


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The Importance of Data

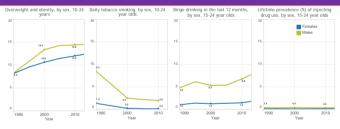


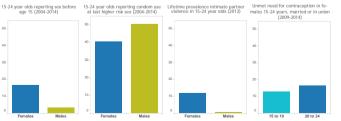
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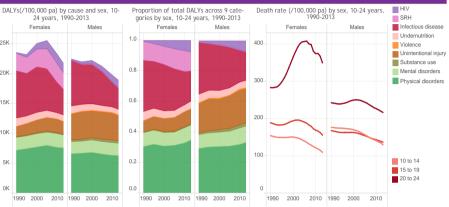
Nigeria



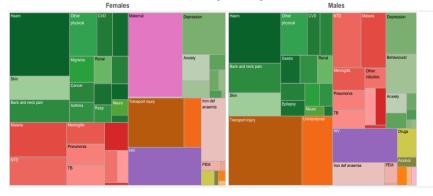
HEALTH RISKS







Causes of DALYs, by sex, 10-24 years, 2013

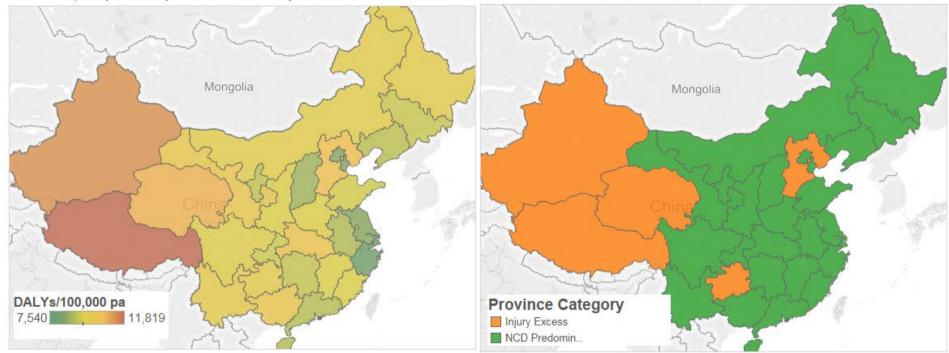


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Defining Needs Sub-nationally

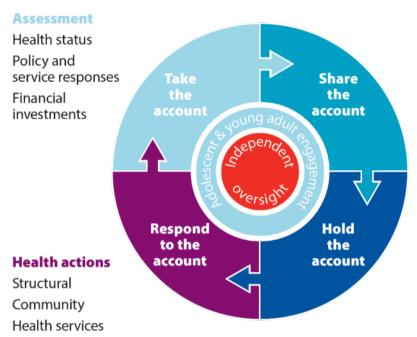
DALYs/100,000 pa across provinces for 10-24 year olds in 2013

Categorisation of provinces by major contributors to disease burden



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Growing Knowledge and Capacity



Communication

Government sectors Young people's organisations Young people, families and communities Funders and international agencies

Governance

Political incentives Economic incentives Legal processes

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"This generation of adolescents and young adults can transform all our futures; there is no greater priority in global health than ensuring they have the resources to do so."

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