

OFF TO A HEALTHY START

Boys and Sexual
and Reproductive
Health and Rights

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EVERY BOY SHOULD

Every adolescent boy should take up the struggle for SRHR as his own, because it is. The pathway to change is through work with boys. Every boy.



Believe in, and fight for gender equality and for sexual and reproductive health and rights – for himself, for women and girls, and for individuals of all gender identities and sexual orientations.



Be aware that he is a sexual and reproductive being and know how his body and other people's bodies work.



Have access to comprehensive sexuality education that includes discussions about body image, emotions, and healthy masculinities.



Feel free to express his sexual identity and gender identity in ways free from coercion, repression, or discrimination.



Be given the knowledge and skills to protect himself and his sexual partners from HIV and other sexually transmitted infections.



Be taught to develop a critical perspective about images and ideas he is likely to be exposed to in the world, including pornography.



Be brought up believing that caregiving is as much about him and his responsibility as it is about the women and girls in his life who perform most of the unpaid care work.