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THE GAP BETWEEN KNOWLEDGE ON HIV/AIDS AND SEXUAL BEHAVIOR:
A STUDY ON TEENAGERS IN VESPASIANO, MINAS GERAIS STATE, BRASIL.

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OBJECTIVES

The study aims on investigating GAPS between KNOWLEDGE on HIV/AIDS and SEXUAL BEHAVIOR among teenagers.
METHODS

SAMPLE: The sample used in the study consisted of 1,158 adolescents.

AGE: Varied from 14 to 19 years old.
• The adolescents answered validated questionnaires...

• ...and were, at the time of the research, enrolled in nine public secondary schools.
METHODS

Data analysis included descriptive statistics and tests hypotheses.
RESULTS

The vast majority of the teenagers expressed doubt on **AT LEAST** one question of the questionnaire.
There was no statistical association between KNOWLEDGE on HIV/AIDS and FREQUENCY of condom use!
There was a clear association between the use of condom during the **FIRST SEXUAL INTERCOURSE** with the use of condom in the **PREVIOUS SIX MONTHS**!
Health actions focused on an exchange of information between the SCHOOL and the HEALTH SERVICE, need to be taken!
These actions must focus **not only** on teaching about sexual health but also on valorizing TEENAGERS INDIVIDUALITY.
THANK YOU!
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