

FOCUS ON YOUTH

Phase 3 Findings

PROJECT GOALS & OVERVIEW

Black youth from three organizations in Baltimore, Maryland received either a program focused on sexual health or a program focused on media literacy. The goal of the study was to determine the extent to which the drug and sexual health knowledge, attitudes, intentions and behaviors could be affected by the programs. This work is led by Dr. Terrinieka Powell and was funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

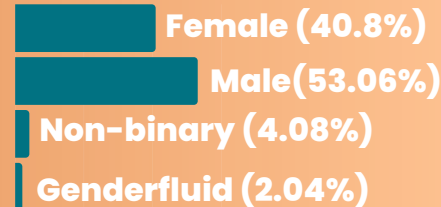
PARTICIPANT DEMOGRAPHICS

BY THE NUMBERS (N=49)

Grade Level
9th-12th

Age Range
13-16

Gender



OUR RESULTS

The sites of our intervention and control groups included REACH! Partnership School, Mentoring Males in the Hood, and Reginald F. Lewis.

Behaviors

95%

of participants have never used over the counter medications to get high.

Attitudes

100%

of participants believe it is important to use condoms.

Intentions

82%

of participants say they will not drink alcohol in the next 6 months.

Knowledge

92%

of participants know that condom use protects from STI's and HIV/AIDS.

NEXT STEPS

Collect data after three months to be able to look at data spanning the entire length of the program. Share findings widely to contribute to a growing body of scholarship about health interventions with young people. Implement with others across the country to become a nation-wide intervention.