

Web References for Sexual Health (by Category and Name)

Evaluate What You Find on the Web—The World Wide Web can be a great place to accomplish research on many topics. But putting documents or pages on the web is easy, cheap or free, unregulated, and unmonitored (at least in the USA). ...*And you, if you want to use it for serious research, need to cultivate the habit of healthy skepticism, of questioning everything you find with critical thinking.**

*Excerpted from: <http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/Evaluate.html> a tutorial guide to evaluating information you find on the World Wide Web

CATEGORIES

TARGET POPULATION

Comprehensive Resources and AIDS Libraries
Education
Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual
Government Resources
Resources
Substance Abuse Sites
Treatment and Support for HIV/AIDS
Women
Youth

A = Adult
Y = Youth
A/Y = Adult/Youth

Comprehensive Resources and AIDS Libraries

AIDS Education Global Information System (A) www.aegis.com
HIV/AIDS site, updated daily, containing global news, key topics, fact sheets, news services, a law library, and links.

The Body (A) www.thebody.com
Complete HIV/AIDS resource

Education

Advocates for Youth (A/Y) www.advocatesforyouth.org
A national organization that champions efforts to help young people make informed and responsible decisions about their reproductive and sexual health.

Answer (A) <http://answer.rutgers.edu/>
Part of the Center for Applied Psychology at Rutgers University, is a national organization dedicated to providing and promoting comprehensive sexuality education in the United States.

Coordinated School Health Programs in Maine (A/Y) www.maineeshp.com

Maine Department of Education, HIV Prevention Program (A/Y) www.maine.gov/education/hiv

Porta Portal (A/Y) www.portaportal.com

A free web-based bookmarking utility that lets you store links to your favorite websites online.

Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual

Advocates for Youth (A/Y) www.amplifyyourvoice.org

Information and support by and for GLBTQ youth.

Deserve to Know (A/Y) www.deservetoknowme.org

Information around sexuality issues and HIV and STI prevention for guys having sex with guys.

Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (A/Y) www.glsen.org

GLSEN is a national education organization working to ensure safe schools for all kids regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity/expression.

National Youth Advocacy Coalition (A/Y) www.nyacyouth.org

NYAC is a social justice organization that advocates for and with young people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or questioning in an effort to end discrimination against these youth and to ensure their physical and emotional well being.

National Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Health (AY) <http://www.lgbthealth.net>
Improving the health and well-being of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals.

Oasis Magazine (Y) www.oasisjournals.com

Writing community for queer and questioning youth comprised of online diaries, essays, poetry and artwork.

Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (A) www.pflag.org

Promoting the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered persons, and their families and friends through support, education and advocacy.

Project Open Hand (A) www.openhand.org

Provides community nutrition services through programs for people living with HIV/AIDS, the homebound/critically ill and seniors in San Francisco, and serves as a model for over 100 organizations all over the world.

Government Resources

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of STD Prevention (A) www.cdc.gov/std/

Provides information about sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).

Maine Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (A) www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/ddc/hiv-std/

Provides information about sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), viral hepatitis and HIV.

Maine Department of Education, HIV Prevention Education Program (A) www.maine.gov/education/hiv

Provides professional development training and resources for middle/high school health educators.

National Prevention Information Network (A) www.cdcnpin.org

The U.S. reference and referral service for information on HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), and tuberculosis (TB), designed to facilitate sharing of information and resources on education and prevention services, published materials, research findings, and trends among users.

Resources

About-Face (A/Y) www.about-face.org

Equips women and girls with tools to understand and resist harmful media messages that affect self-esteem and body image.

Advocates for Youth (A/Y) www.advocatesforyouth.org

Information on adolescent reproductive and sexual health, and resources for professionals.

AVERT (A/Y) www.avert.org

International HIV and AIDS charity providing education, treatment and care.

Coalition for Positive Sexuality (Y) www.positive.org

ETR Associates (A) www.etr.org/pub

ETR Publishing offers pamphlets, books, posters, flip chars, displays, curricula and videos.

ETR Associates/Resource Center for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention (A/Y) www.etr.org/recapp

Resource Center for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention (ReCAPP) provides practical tools and information to effectively reduce sexual risk-taking behaviors. Teachers and health educators will find up-to-date, evaluated program materials to help with their work with teens.

Family Planning Association of Maine (A/Y) www.maine-familyplanning.org

Excellent interactive site with pages for guys, girls, women, and advocates. Also has clinic information statewide and information on accessing family planning and wellness care.

Girls Health (A/Y) www.girlshealth.gov

Website aimed at girls ages 10-16 to help learn about health, growing up, and issues they may face.

Girl Scouts of the USA (Y-girls) www.girlscouts.org

Girls Scouts, the largest organization for girls, offers a specific youth-oriented section for chats and general information.

Girls Inc. (A/Y) www.girlsinc.org

Girls Incorporated is a national youth organization dedicated to inspiring all girls to be strong, smart, and bold.

Go Ask Alice! (A/Y) www.goaskalice.columbia.edu/

Excellent health question and answer internet service through Columbia University.

Guttmacher Institute (A) www.guttmacher.org/

Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health, offers fact sheets and briefs.

I Emily (Y-girls) www.iemily.com

Health and wellness web site just for girls.

Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation (A/Y) www.kff.org

Website has good information on sexual health, plus publications and reports.

Kids Health (A/Y) www.kidshealth.org/

Most visited site on the web for information about health, behavior, and development from before birth through the teen years; offers three sites in one: parents, kids and teens.

MTV (A/Y) www.think.mtv.com

A community site where you can get informed, get heard and take action on the issues that matter to you most; Includes health, relationships and sex information.

National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy (A/Y) www.teenpregnancy.org

Mission: to prevent teen pregnancy and unplanned pregnancy, especially among single, young adults. Includes parent and teen information.

National HIV and STD Testing Resources (A/Y) www.hivtest.org (or www.findSTDtest.org)

Provides users with locations for HIV and STD testing and STD vaccines around the U. S.

National Study of Adolescent Health, Carolina Population Center (A) www.cpc.unc.edu/addhealth

Contains information on the largest, most comprehensive study of adolescents (grades 7-12) in the United States.

Planned Parenthood Federation of America (A/Y) www.plannedparenthood.org

Offers sexual and reproductive health care providers and advocates, provides reproductive health care, sex education and information to women, men and young people worldwide; information available for teens, parents and educators.

Positive Maine, MCDC (A) www.positiveme.org

Online community forum that addresses HIV health and life needs, and connects you with lots of service providers.

Scenarios USA (A/Y) www.scenariosusa.org

Uses writing and filmmaking to foster youth leadership, advocacy and self-expression in under-served teens. Short films with topics including pregnancy prevention, HIV/AIDS, body image, Sexual Identity and others are available.

Sex, Etc., Rutgers University (A/Y) www.sexetc.org

Sex, Etc., part of Answer at Rutgers University, is a teen produced website (and magazine) that answers the questions you'd only ask other teens. Topics include: Love, Sex, Abstinence, Contraceptives, AIDS, STDs, Drugs and Drinking, Violence, and Health Topics. Site offers a blog, chats, videos, quizzes, games, and forums around sexual health.

Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States (A) www.siecus.org

Provides information, resources, materials, & education about sexuality and sexual/reproductive health.

Teen Advice Online (A/Y) www.teenadvice.org

Provides support for teenage problems through a network of links from around the globe. Also has a link for parents.

TeenAIDS–PeerCorps (Y) www.teenaids.org

HIV/AIDS prevention and education program targeting teens and youth including a teen advice column, open forum and peer education tools; also offers a highly interactive social networking site to promote PeerCorps via texting, Facebook, You Tube, Twitter, cell phones, etc.

Virtual Teen (Y) www.virtualteen.org

For guys and girls from ages 13 to 19 years old, with mental illnesses, their friends and others; Also offers community teen forum.

Substance Abuse Sites

Harm Reduction Coalition (A/Y) www.harmreduction.org
Information and links about harm reduction practices and philosophies.

The Partnership At Drugfree.org (A/Y) www.drugfree.org
Helps parents prevent, intervene in and find treatment for drug and alcohol use by their children.

Treatment and Support for HIV/AIDS

AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts (A/Y) www.aac.org
New England's oldest and largest provider of AIDS services, education and advocacy.

Children with AIDS Project (A/Y) www.aidskids.org
A foundation set up to support HIV and AIDS positive children and their families.

HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (A/Y) www.hivatis.org
Information about treatment, prevention, and research.

HIV Positive (A/Y) www.hivpositive.com
Compilation of news and resources about HIV. Excellent site.

OraSure Technologies, Inc. (A/Y) www.orasure.com
Leader in oral fluids diagnostics (HIV testing)

Project Information (A/Y) www.projectinform.org
Project Inform provides information, inspiration and advocacy for people living with HIV/AIDS.

Women

Women's Health (A/Y-females) www.womenshealth.gov
The U. S. Dept. of Health and Human Services' source for women's health information.

Youth

Amplify Your Voice (A/Y) www.amplifyyourvoice.org
A project of Advocates For Youth including blogs, videos, etc.

Boys to Men (A/Y) www.boystomen.info
Honor and support boys as they transition through life, facilitate healthy involvement of adult males in boys' lives, and provide programs for boys.

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Hardy Girls Healthy Women (A/Y) www.hardygirlshealthywomen.org

To create opportunities, develop programs and provide services that empower girls and women.

Healthy Teen Network (A) www.healthyteennetwork.org

Provides leadership, education, training, information, advocacy, resources and support to professional individuals and organizations in the field of adolescent health, with an emphasis on teen pregnancy, pregnancy prevention and teen parenting.

I Wanna Know (Y) www.iwannaknow.org

Sexual health and STD information for teens. Includes chat, education, games and other resources.

Just Say Yes (Y) www.positive.org

Excellent resource for youth and teenagers.

National Network for Youth (Y) www.nn4youth.org

Services and information for runaway, homeless, other disconnected youth and the people who serve them.

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Excellent site with separate pages for kids, parents, and teens. Non-medical jargon answers to health questions.

Teenwire (Y) www.teenwire.com

Information for teens on sexuality issues from Planned Parenthood.

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Hardy Girls Healthy Women	www.hghw.org
Harm Reduction Coalition	www.harmreduction.org
Healthy Teen Network	www.healthyteenetwork.org
Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation	www.kff.org
HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service	www.hivatis.org
HIV Positive	www.hivpositive.com
I Emily	www.iemily.com
I Wanna Know	www.iwannaknow.org
Just Say Yes	www.positive.org
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Maine Department of Education, HIV Prevention Education Program	www.maine.gov/education/hiv
Maine Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Division of STD Prevention	www.cdc.gov/std

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www.positiveme.org
www.projectinform.org
www.openhand.org
www.scenariosusa.org
www.sexetc.org
www.siecus.org
www.teenadvice.org
www.teenaids.org
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