Improving Health Worldwide

Global Adolescent Health



Overview

This course provides the knowledge, conceptual frameworks and tools necessary to strengthen health sector policies and programmes for adolescent health and development.

Investing in the health and development of adolescents is essential for achieving the millennium development goals, promoting public health and ensuring economic development. Not only do adolescents suffer significant mortality and morbidity, but most adult health problems, from HIV to lung cancer and heart disease, have their roots in attitudes and behaviours that start during the second decade of life.

The course is organised and taught by the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) and the World Health Organization (WHO), in collaboration with the Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria, Institute of Child Health, University of Ibadan, the Public Health Foundation of India, UNFPA, and UNICEF.

Course objectives

The aims of the course are to:

- Provide grounding in the epidemiology, evidence-based interventions and strategies for responding to adolescents' priority health problems
- Guide participants through the steps necessary for the development and integration of adolescent health interventions into national health sector policies, programmes and plans
- Outline key challenges and solutions in developing and implementing interventions for adolescent health in the health sector, including issues of quality, coverage and costs
- Equip participants to critically analyse and improve policies and strategies for adolescent health globally.

Who should apply?

The course has been designed for mid-career professionals who have experience in adolescent health and current responsibilities for health sector interventions concerning adolescent health. This may include health professionals, programme implementers and policy makers, as well as researchers with a specific interest in adolescent health. The course will have a public health rather than a clinical medicine orientation. Applicants should have a good command of English, as all teaching will be in English.

Teaching methods

Teaching will be conducted online and will include pre-recorded lectures, live sessions, panel discussions, case studies, and seminars. Participants will also have the opportunity to participate in a group project task. The course materials, including lecture notes and PowerPoint presentations, and key references will be provided electronically.

Key information

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Fees:
For up-to-date fees, please see our website

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