

Market Analysis

DEVELOPMENTAL TEENAGE PROGRAMMING AT FIVE COUNTIES CHILDREN'S CENTRE

*"Building abilities for life."
(FCCC)*

Five Counties Children's Center works with children with physical, communication, and developmental needs. They have identified a gap and need for teenage programming to help these youth develop life skills. The research project aims to identify possible life skills or developmental programs that Five Counties Children's Center could offer that would be beneficial for teenagers.



Research Questions:

What are the unmet teenage developmental needs of the clients of Five Counties Children's Centre?

Is there enough of a need to justify developing new services?

How would any new development be funded?



Methods:

- Focus Groups
We will conduct two focus groups with both families and clinical staff.

- Literature Review



For more information on the project/Five Counties Children's Centre and preliminary outcomes, scan this QR code.

Background Information:

- Gap in knowledge on sexual health/sexuality for youth with developmental needs
- Teenagers with developmental needs are at higher risk for sexual victimization (Government of Ontario, 2021).
- There is better support within a mentor-mentee relationship when both parties have a developmental need (Kramer et al., 2018).
- Lack of programming in general for autistic teenagers.
- Lack of life skills programming for teenagers with developmental needs transitioning into adulthood (Merz et al., 2020).

Five Counties Children's Centre (FCCC) Key Themes:

- Workplace Culture and Talent
- Awareness
- Bigger Gifts and Support
- Thought Leadership
- Personalized Care Plus



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