Studying the Healthy Development of Adolescents

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University of California, Los Angeles (previous center): UCLA/RAND Prevention Research Center
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Health Topics Healthy youth | Sexual health

Researchers at three centers are identifying the factors that help keep youth healthy. The study—in Alabama, California, and Texas—includes 5,250 African American, Hispanic, and white children who are assessed biennially starting in fifth grade and followed for at least 10 years. Characteristics of the children and their families, schools, and communities are measured and analyzed. Measures include child's and parent's body mass index, media use, dietary behavior, physical activity, mental health, substance use, sexual behavior, violence exposure and aggression, religiosity, family income, ethnicity, and parent's involvement in child's school and activities. Results will be used to develop programs and policies that promote the health and optimal development of youth.

Research setting
No specific focus

Race or ethnicity
No specific focus

Gender
Women or girls

Age group
Adolescents (12-17 years)

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