

Forum för Afrikastudier vid Uppsala Universitet Uppsala University's Forum for Africa Studies

Friday Seminar in Africa Studies





Strategies on managing HIV infections and adherence to ARV's by young people aged 15-24 in Kenya:
a comparative analysis of boys and girls.

by Jecinta Okumu, Uppsala University.

Friday 19th April 2024, 9.30 - 11.00.

Venue: ENG3-2028, Engelska Parken, Thunbergsvägen 3H, Uppsala

Zoom link: https://uu-se.zoom.us/j/66427229608

In-spite of Kenya being classified as a high-burden country by WHO, less than half of those in need of HIV care and treatment are reached. HIV/AIDS-related deaths among adolescents have trippled worldwide since 2000; 85% of these deaths occur in Sub-saharan Africa with Kenya being one of the high-burden countries. Even though more girls than boys are living with HIV, boys show more AIDS-related deaths than girls. Research in Kenya shows that although young people engage in sex at early ages, the government, family members and society as a whole choose to ignore/pretend that is not happening.

This seminar will discuss the strategies employed by young people in Kenya to manage HIV infection in a context of cultural, religious, social and political contradictions on issues pertaining sex and sexuality especially with regard to young people.

www.afrikastudier.uu.se afrikastudier@antro.uu.se

MOST WELCOME!