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Key words: Adolescent sexual health, abstinence education, pregnancy prevention, edutainment, culturally-specific interventions.

Adolescents in the United States engaging in risky sexual activities are at risk for unplanned pregnancy, immunodeficiency virus/acquired immune deficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS), and other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) or infections.¹ Risky sexual behaviors are common among Latina/o and Hispanic youth compared with youths of other ethnicities.²

Among Latino/a adolescents in 2007, the incidence of sexual activity before the age of 13 was 8.2%, and the prevalence of having four or more sexual partners was 17.3%.³ Latino/a teens are more likely than non-Latino Whites to contract chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis.⁴ Pregnancy rates for Latinas ages 15–19 years are higher (128.0 per 1,000 population) than their non-Latino White peers (45.2 per 1,000).⁵

As such, Northridge Hospital Medical Center's (NHMC) Center for Healthier Communities (CHC) recognized the need to minimize the negative impact of risky sexual intercourse among Latino/a youth in their community, the north and northeast San Fernando Valley of the City of Los Angeles. Although historically proven

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