

Why Engage Men in Reproductive Health?

How has the Field of CME Evolved?

Time: 1 hour

Activity Objective:

Introduce participants to the importance of engaging men and boys in reproductive health (RH) and gender-based violence (GBV) prevention

Materials:

PowerPoint Presentation: It Works: Why Engage Men and Boys?

Activity:

1. Ask participants to identify some of the reasons for engaging boys and young men in GBV prevention and RH. Write down the reasons they give you on flipchart paper.
2. Explain to participants that, in this session, you are going to share with them how the field of male engagement has evolved over the years, the gaps between how people would like to implement the programs and how they are currently being implemented, and some of the key areas needing to be addressed in this field. They should feel free to ask any questions as you present.
3. After the presentation, debrief by asking the participants the following questions:
 - Was there anything in the presentation that surprised you?
 - Do you agree with the main points of the presentation? Why or why not?
 - Can some of the key points made in the presentation apply to the work that you do? Why or why not?