Youth Development for Serving Reproductive Health issue

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What is Youth Development

Youth involvement in every issues in community

- decide by themselves
- express their issues by themselves/ among themselves
- take actions by themselves

Having opportunity to learn and share

Working area: The Northeast of Thailand





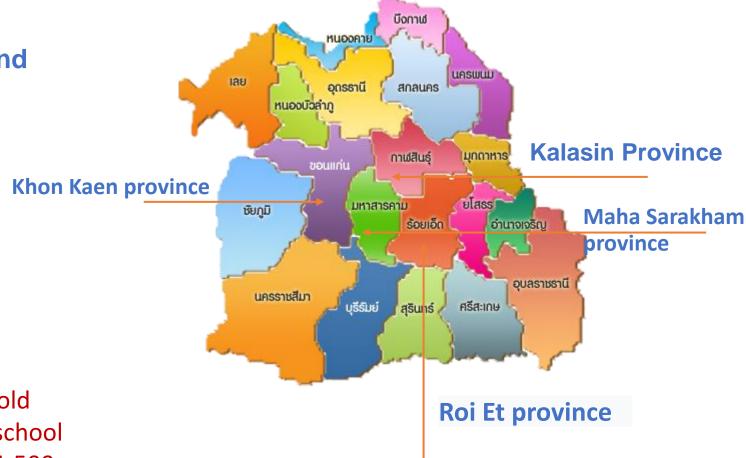
The target group

- 13-18 years old
- Students in school
- 11 school = 1,500 persons
- 100 leaders Youth

In community

(Council of Children and Youth)

Bueng Niam Subdistrict
Na Nong Thum Subdistrict





Process for Youth Development

1)Support activities for youth group
2)giving consultation

advice with youth groups online and onsite (face to face)

- Provide <u>education</u> on reproductive health for youth in schools and communities
- Provide <u>practical training</u> on youth development leaders
- Encourage youth to <u>setup youth club</u> in schools and communities
- Support youth leaders to implement a project related to solving problem of reproductive health in schools and communities
- Organize <u>regular meeting</u> on sharing experience and lesson learned among youth leaders
- Establish a connection/linkage between youth leaders and local public health government officers and community members







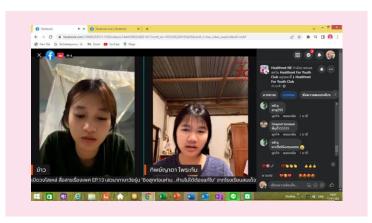




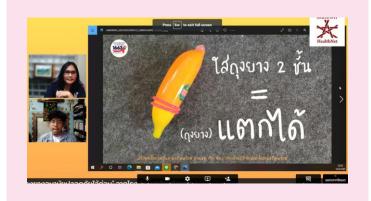


Educate on reproductive health for youth in school and in community

What Health Net is doing for youth empowerment.









- 1) Invite and encourage youth leaders to participate in activities on solving problem of reproductive health in school and community
- 2) Encourage youth to take leader role and run youth club in schools and communities
- 3) Organize workshops and strengthen or connect youth networks in all levels
 4) Provide workshops/unofficial meeting with parents in order to support youth to be a youth leader on reproductive health and etc.
- 5) Provide workshops for local government officers about appropriate attitude and information about reproductive health 5) Advocate local governments on creating appropriate programs for youth and reproductive health problems

Key to success

<Self- development of youth>

- Deep listening to youth to understand their problems and situation
- Provide information to youth for accessing to health services
- Let do a youth participation and provide opportunity to youth to do real action by themselves

<Changes of Government>

- Keep doing on provide good understanding on reproductive health issues and youth to government officer and community members
- Organize many training courses for government officer and community members to have a good attitude and change mindset
- Maintain a good relationship with government officer and community members and NGOs teams
- Do an advocacy for local government decision makers through various channels with using evidence bases. And convince them to launch appropriate budget allocation and planning for reproductive health issues.
- Keep working with government units and NGOs teams.

Challenges for promoting Youth Participation in Social Change?

 NGOs, Goverment and Community should support and chance for youth in the community and school every year, but it is not realized because of lack of understanding on youth of Government and community sides, they don't support and provide chances for youth to join many activities to empower them every year.

 Capacity building on RH, skill of supporting each other in the group, communication with community, public speaking, project implementation, leadership....



what I want to discuss in the small group

How to empower youth to go beyond reproductive health and to be a change maker for community development?