Sexual Education
In the Philippines

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The Philippines is a poverty-stricken country with many problems such as corruption in the government, overpopulation and poor economic policies.

Sex education is intervened mostly by conservatives and church leaders.
Overpopulation Problems

- A main issue
- Population of about 102 million people
- Growth rate of about 2%
- Leading cause of major poverty
UNPROTECTED SEX CAN LEAD TO UNPLANNED BABIES WHICH CAN LEAD TO AN...
74 million people are malnourished
11,500 children die each year

Causes
- Macroeconomic issues
- Unemployment issues
- Unchecked population growth
- Problems in the agriculture sector
- Governance concerns
- Armed conflict, and disability
Not enough resources to compensate for the amount of people

- Poor have more limited access to family planning services
- Lower contraceptive prevalence rates
- Higher unwanted fertility
- Higher unmet needs for family planning
Lack of health care
Does not do much to help the problem of overpopulation
Not getting the adequate health care they need
Public Health Care (Continued)

- Since 1999: government has been working with the United States Agency for International Development

- Barriers to families getting the help they need when it comes to sexual education
Planned Parenthood
Federation of America

- Improve contraceptive use among adolescents and youth
  - Peer education & outreach programs
  - Reduce the rate of maternal death and disability by increasing access to post-abortion services
- Executive order discourages modern methods of contraception in Manila in 2000 has gravely affected the human and reproductive rights of women
• The poorest women in the Philippines will have nearly seven births per lifetime vs the average 2
• The use of modern contraception has been stagnant at 36 percent for several years
• Estimated 473,000 abortions performed each year, most are illegal and unsafe, and result in the hospitalization of 79,000 women
- Reproductive Health Program for Street Children and Yo! LEAD

- Dedicated to reproductive health peer education and peer leadership programs for underserved and out-of-school youth
Role of the Catholic Church

- Philippines Constitution has outlined a separation of church and state; this is not the case

ABORTION IS ILLEGAL

- Most dominant when it comes to limiting the peoples' knowledge of sexual education
- Very conservative
- Over 80% of the PI identifies themselves as Catholic
No teaching about reproduction
- Mainly due to vehement disapproval by Catholic Church

Against the use of contraceptives and teaching sexual education in any form

Church thinks teaching this will promote promiscuity among teens
Teaching Sexual Education

- Parents do not talk to their children much about sexual education
- Many churches think children should get educated at home
The consequences of failing to properly educate our children.
United Nations Involvement

- U.N launched a sexual education campaign in all public schools
- Limits HIV and AIDS, promote safe sex, and prevent unwanted pregnancies
- Catholic Church does not approve
Information you should know:

- Lowest rate of condom usage in Asia.
- 20-30% are at highest risk for HIV.
- Population growth rate is at a dangerous 1.903% per year.
- Lack of condom use leads to the country’s high fertility rate.
About STDs and HIV:

- Chlamydia, Syphilis, Gonorrhea, and many more.
- Infections can cause long-term health problems.
- HIV weakens your ability to fight infections and cancer. THERE IS NO CURE FOR HIV.
Why we should use condoms:

- Helps prevent STD and HIV infections.
- Abortion is illegal therefore, condoms help prevent unwanted pregnancies.
- This is the only form of protection that can help stop STDs and pregnancy.
SO BASICALLY... USE CONDOMS

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OR YOUR UNPLANNED BABY COULD LOOK LIKE THIS
AND WHILE YOU’RE AT IT, MAKE SURE YOU DON’T GET THE CLAP
OR HERPES!
Our Service Project

- We sent sex ed. Pamphlets to the Philippines via Planned Parenthood
- Received donation of condoms from Trojan
- Attached condoms to the back of each pamphlet
The End

Education