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The Uganda GSPS includes data on prevalence of cigarette and other tobacco use as well as information on attitudes on school policy toward tobacco use, access to teaching materials and training, and attitudes towards tobacco use. These factors are components Uganda could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Uganda GSPS was a school-based survey of school personnel from the schools that participated in the 2011 Uganda GYTS.

The GYTS was conducted in schools with pupils and students in forms Primary 7, and Secondary 1 through 3. For the GYTS, a two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for Uganda. At the first stage, schools were selected with probability proportional to enrollment size. At the second stage, classes were randomly selected and all students in selected classes were eligible to participate. For the GSPS, a total of 682 school personnel (teachers and administrators) completed the survey.

#### Prevalence of Tobacco Use

12.8% ever smoked cigarettes (Admin = 21.2%, Teachers = 11.7%)

- 4.9% currently use any tobacco product (Admin = 10.7%, Teachers = 4.1%)
- 4.7% currently smoke cigarettes (Admin = 9.6%, Teachers = 4.0%)
- 1.0% currently use other tobacco products (Admin = 4.7%, Teachers = 0.6%)
- 3.5% smoked on school property in the past year (Admin = 11.6%, Teachers = 2.5%)

## School Policies Prohibiting Tobacco Use

97.2% agree schools should have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among students
89.1% report school has policy prohibiting tobacco use among students
94.6% agree schools should have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among the personnel
82.9% report school has a policy prohibiting tobacco use among the personnel
95.2% report school enforces policies on tobacco use for students and personnel

## Access to Teaching Materials and Training

57.0% schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum

84.1% think teachers need specific training to help students avoid tobacco use

56.7% teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use

21.8% teachers had ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention

68.0% schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention

### Attitudes

92.7% think smoking should be banned from public places

95.7% think smoke from others is harmful to them

- 93.8% think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use
- 75.4% think tobacco product advertising should be completely banned
- 78.3% think the price of tobacco products should be increased
- 63.4% think the tobacco industry deliberately encourages youth to use tobacco

#### Highlights

- 4.9% of teachers and administrators currently use any tobacco product; 4.7% currently smoke cigarettes and 1.0% currently use other tobacco products
- Nine out of 10 schools have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among students; more than eight out of 10 have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel; 95.2% of the schools enforce their policies
- 57.0% of the schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum
- 56.7% of the teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use
- 21.8% of the teachers have ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention
- Approximately seven out of every 10 schools use nonclassroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention
- 93.8% think teacher and administrator tobacco use influences youth tobacco use
- 92.7% of teachers and administrators think smoking should be banned from public places