

THE COALITION FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS



The leading network for organizations working to improve the lives of adolescent girls.

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The Coalition for Adolescent Girls (CAG) is a member-led and driven organization representing 80 NGOs dedicated to supporting, investing in, and improving the lives of adolescent girls. We drive new and improve existing programming, policies, and investments that promote the opportunities and rights of adolescent girls.



WHY GIRLS?

Adolescent girls are the key to breaking the cycle of poverty, yet only a fraction of international aid is spent on their needs. Investments in quality education, economic opportunities, safe, affordable, and girl-friendly health services are critical to girls, their families, communities, and countries.

U.S. POLICIES & RESOURCES



- U.S. Global Strategy to Empower Adolescent Girls
- U.S. Strategy to Prevent and Respond to Gender-based Violence Globally
- USAID Education Strategy

RECOMMENDATIONS



- Implement and fund the strategies and resources listed above. The unique challenges facing girls will not be tackled without specific funding and programs for, and with, girls.
- Safe, affordable, accessible, comprehensive and girl-friendly health services, including family planning and sexual education
- Quality, safe, and gender-sensitive education tied to labor market needs through at least the secondary level.
- Non-exploitive economic opportunities and job-readiness programs
- Gender-equitable laws, policies and programs that allow for equal decision making and agency

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COALITION FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS' RESOURCES:



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HOW IT WORKS



The Coalition for Adolescent Girls promotes existing evidence and lessons learned from the field to increase understanding of girl-centered issues in the developing world. Our members promote the utilization of existing tools and evidence for girl's programming and facilitate increased capacity of member and non-member organizations to design, implement and evaluate girl programming. Please consider the Coalition for Adolescent Girls and our 80+ members as a resource in the following areas and related to the following topics:

- Policy and bill analyses and recommendations related to adolescent girls and their unique needs, challenges, and capabilities;
- Connecting experts on adolescent girls and gender issues, including those working on programming and research internationally, to decision-makers;
- Recommended questions for briefings, hearings, and nominations;
- Background for floor statements or one-minute speeches;

EXPERTISE

Issues we can provide expertise and research on include, but are not limited to adolescent girls and:

- Education
- Gender Based Violence (GBV)
- Girls with Disabilities
- Crisis, Conflict and Post-Conflict Settings
- Child, Early and Forced Marriage
- Girls' Empowerment
- Workforce Development and Safe Work Experiences for Young Workers
- Sexual and reproductive health (SRH), including topics such as:
 - Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE)
 - HIV/AIDS
 - Maternal health
 - Menstruation and Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM)
- United Nations Processes and Outcomes

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