

LIST OF QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT WITH DRAFT POLICY

Here below we list a series of questions and requests to the Department that are necessary for the public to meaningfully engage with the draft Policy. Numbers in brackets “()” refer to specific numbered headings of the draft Policy.

1. Who is/are the drafter(s) of the draft Policy and who were the main influencers in the Department's consultations for the purposes of the policy drafting process?
2. Provide us with the exact curriculum content or the learning objectives of the CSE to enable us to meaningfully engage therewith and comment thereon. **(1)**
3. Provide us and the public with the evidence-based substantiation of the assumption/claim that CSE is necessary for optimal sexual and reproductive health. **(1)**
4. Provide us with a copy of the Implementation Plan to enable us to meaningfully engage therewith and comment thereon. **(3)**
5. Identify the specific agreements, conventions, protocols, and/or other documents (including the specific articles, clauses, paragraphs and/or provisions) from which the Policy's guiding principles and local, regional and international obligations, commitments and targets derive and/or are based on. **(5)**
6. Confirm why the Policy specifies an age limit of 12 years with regard to access to comprehensive pregnancy prevention? **(5.3)**
7. Confirm what is meant by the phrase “... after their pregnancy” under comprehensive pregnancy prevention? **(5.3)**
8. Confirm why the Department wants to introduce language to the effect that learners have a right to “comprehensive sexual health”? **(5.5)**
9. Identify the social sector partners the Department refers to under partnerships and policy alignment. **(6.1.7)**
10. Provide us with the content of the SRHR information to enable us to meaningfully engage therewith and comment thereon. **(6.2.2)**
11. Provide us with information on the referral and linkage mechanisms to enable us to meaningfully engage therewith and comment thereon. **(6.2.2)**

12. Provide us with the content of the Initial Professional Education of Teachers document to enable us to meaningfully engage therewith and comment thereon. **(6.2.4)**
13. Confirm in detail what is meant by “sexual reproductive health services”? **(6.2.5)**
14. Identify the partner departments and/or organisations and specify whether any of the identified partner departments and/or organisations are either International Planned Parenthood Federation and/or any of its partner and/or affiliate organisations. **(6.5.5)**
15. Identify the strategic and representative partners. **(6.5.7)**

We request the Department to kindly attend to our questions and eagerly await the Department's feedback.