

The Impact of Contemporary Parenting Approach on the Prevalence of Teenage Pregnancy in Vhembe District, Limpopo Province

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ABSTRACT This paper describes the critical impact of contemporary parenting approach on the prevalence of teenage pregnancy in Vhembe District, Limpopo Province. A quantitative approach was used to conduct the study. A stratified random sampling procedure was used to recruit 400 participants who were mainly teenage girls. Closed-ended questionnaires were administered to the participants. Data analysis used the statistical package for social sciences' programme. Frequency tables were created to categorize the demographic characteristics of the participants. Then cross-sectional tables were created to show significant associations of variables. The findings revealed that parenting practices, including the experience of single-parenthood, teenage girls parents socio-economic background, and the lack of parents-teenage girls' sex education contributed to the prevalence of teenage pregnancy. This paper concludes that parenting of the teenage girls in Vhembe District is not taken as a serious task. There is a lack of sensitive parenting of the teenage girls, therefore, the girls are victims of teenage pregnancy.