

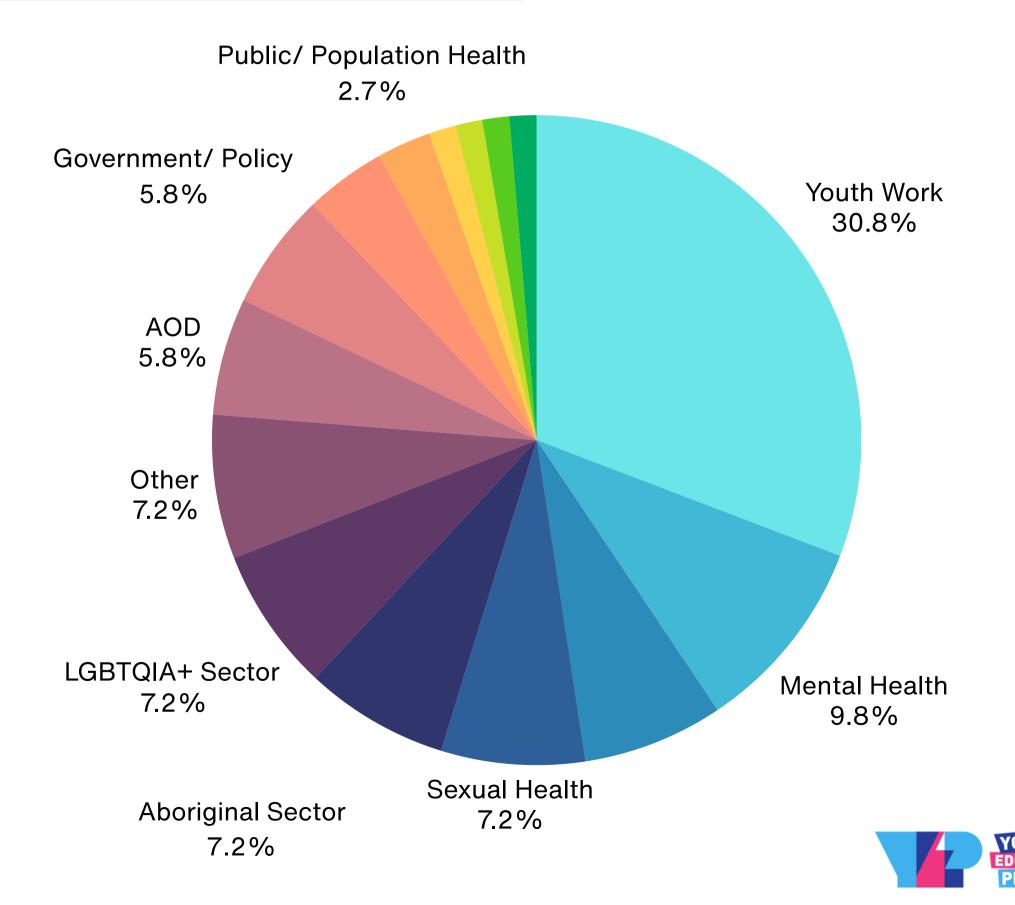
YEP Project 2024 Annual Sector Survey Findings

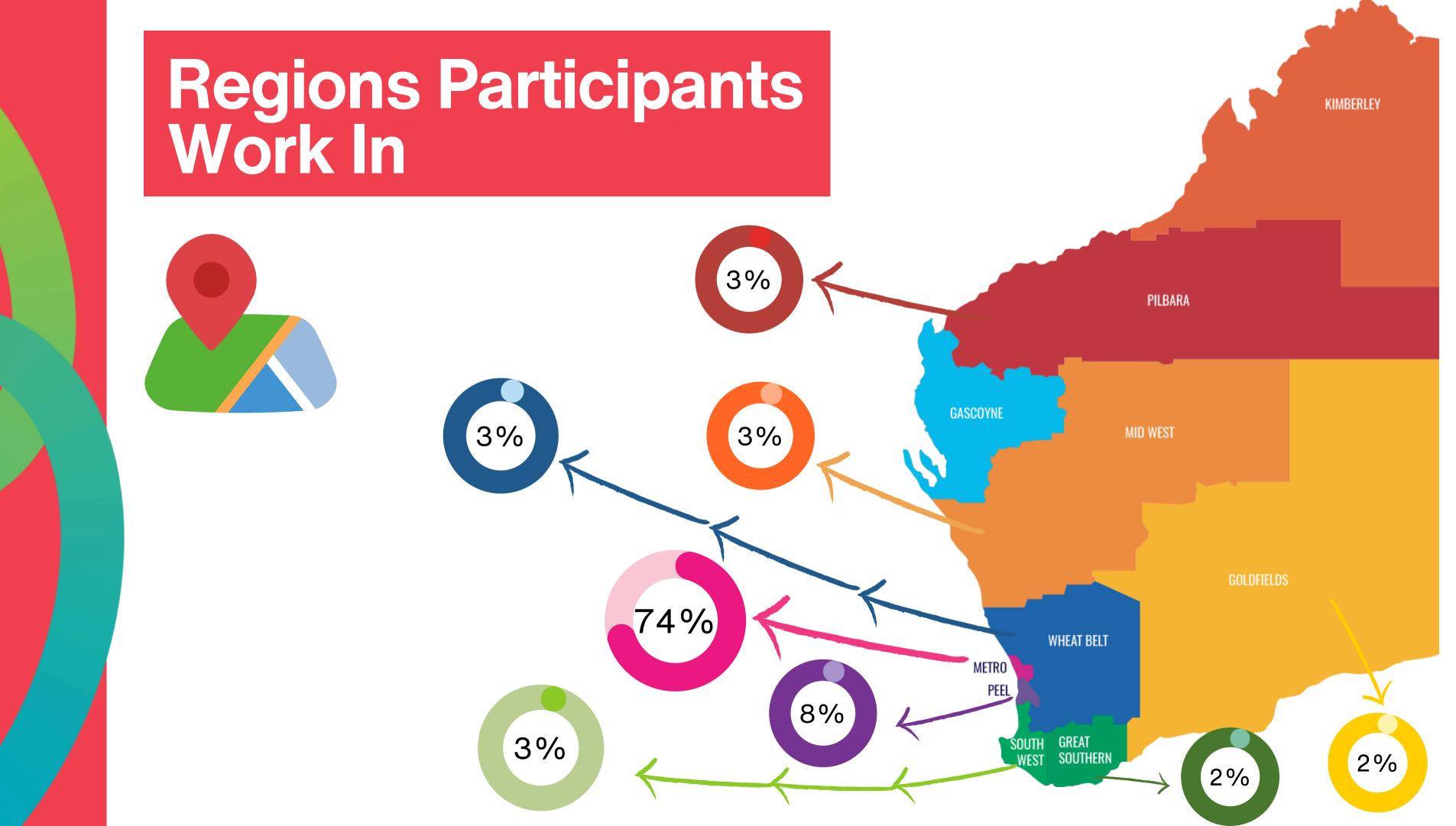


Participants Area of Work

Out of **32** responses, most participants worked in Youth Work and Mental Health.

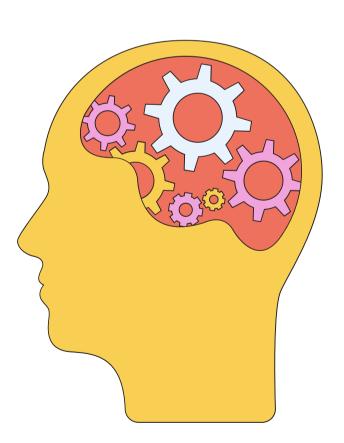






Useful Sources

Over the past year, these sources have been the **most useful** in enhancing the sexual wellbeing of young people (according to professionals who support them).

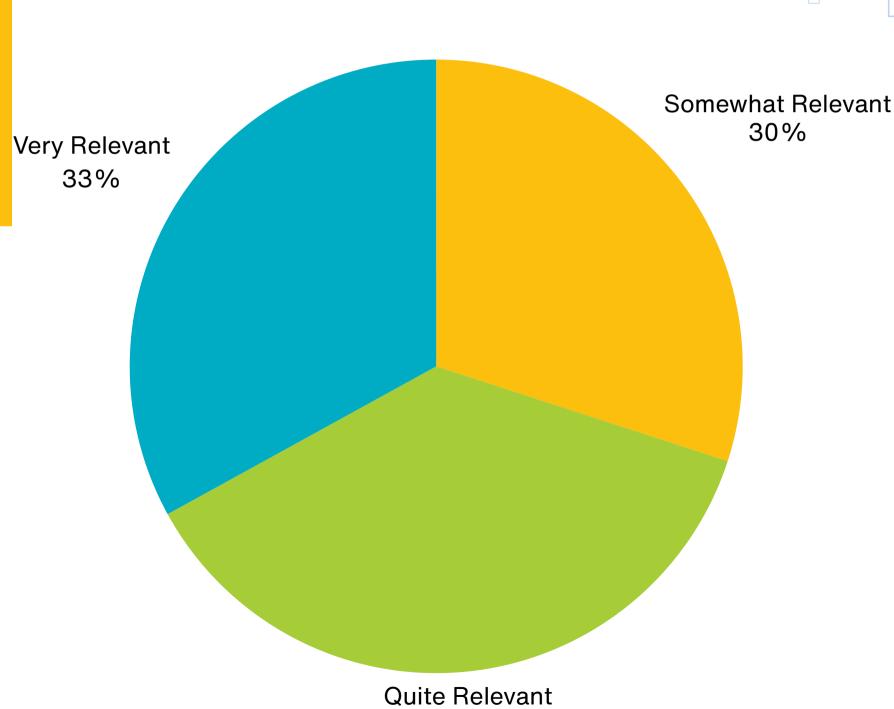


- 1. Websites
- 2. Youth specific agencies
- 3. Sexual health specific agency
- 4. Mental health specific agency
- 5. Social media campaigns
- 6.LGBTQI+ specific Agency
- 7. Videos
- 8. Google
- 9. Pamphlets
- 10. Face-To-Face Professional Development Workshops
- 11. Medical Professionals
- 12. Articles
- 13. Peer Educators
- 14. Aboriginal Specific Agency

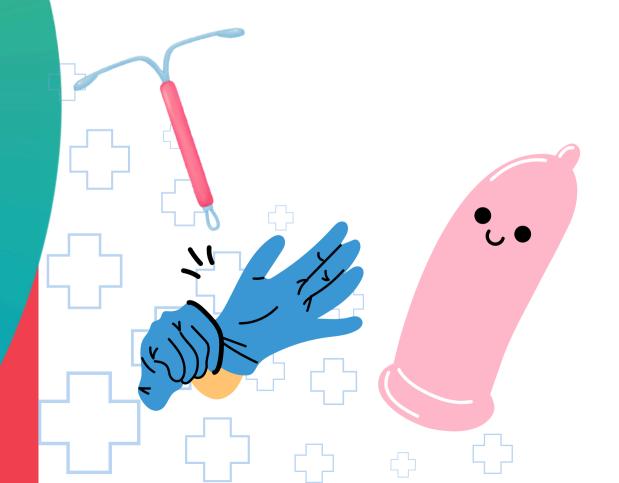


Relevance of Sexual Health

100% of professionals who support young people said that sexual health matters are relevant to their client group.



37%





Future Developments

Over the **next year** organisations are planning on developing the following relating to sexual health:



- 1. Provide young people with information on sexual health
- 2. Support young people to increase their knowledge on sexual health services
- 3. Support referrals to sexual health services
- 4. Increase discussion of sexual health and sexuality
- 5. Train Staff
- 6. Run Sexual Health, healthy relationships and/or sexuality programs
- 7. Promote sexual health resources already developed
- 8. Support young people to access STI tests
- 9. Resource development
- 10. Host a sexual health workshop with external presenters/facilitators



Organisational Culture



92.6% of professionals who support young people believed their organisational culture encourages staff to engage and educate young people on matters related to sexual health.

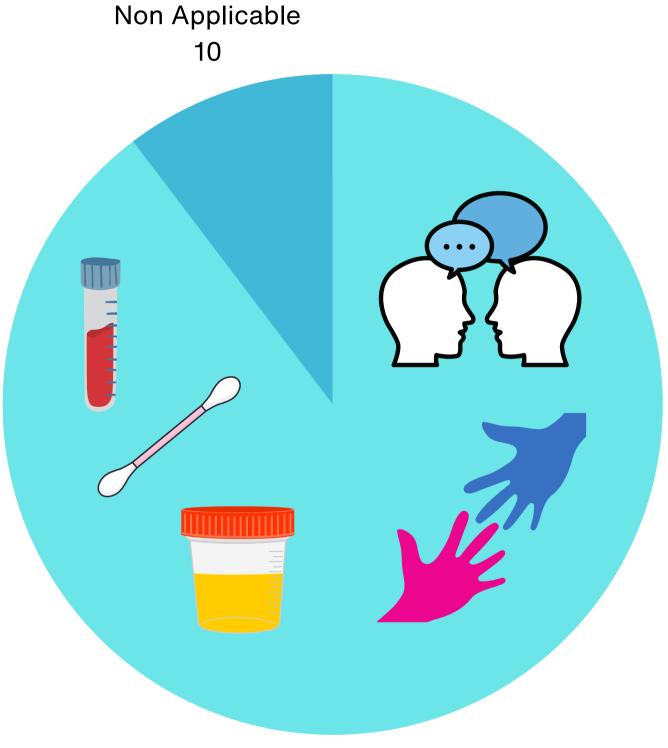


7.4% said their organisations did not encourage staff in this.



Testing and Support

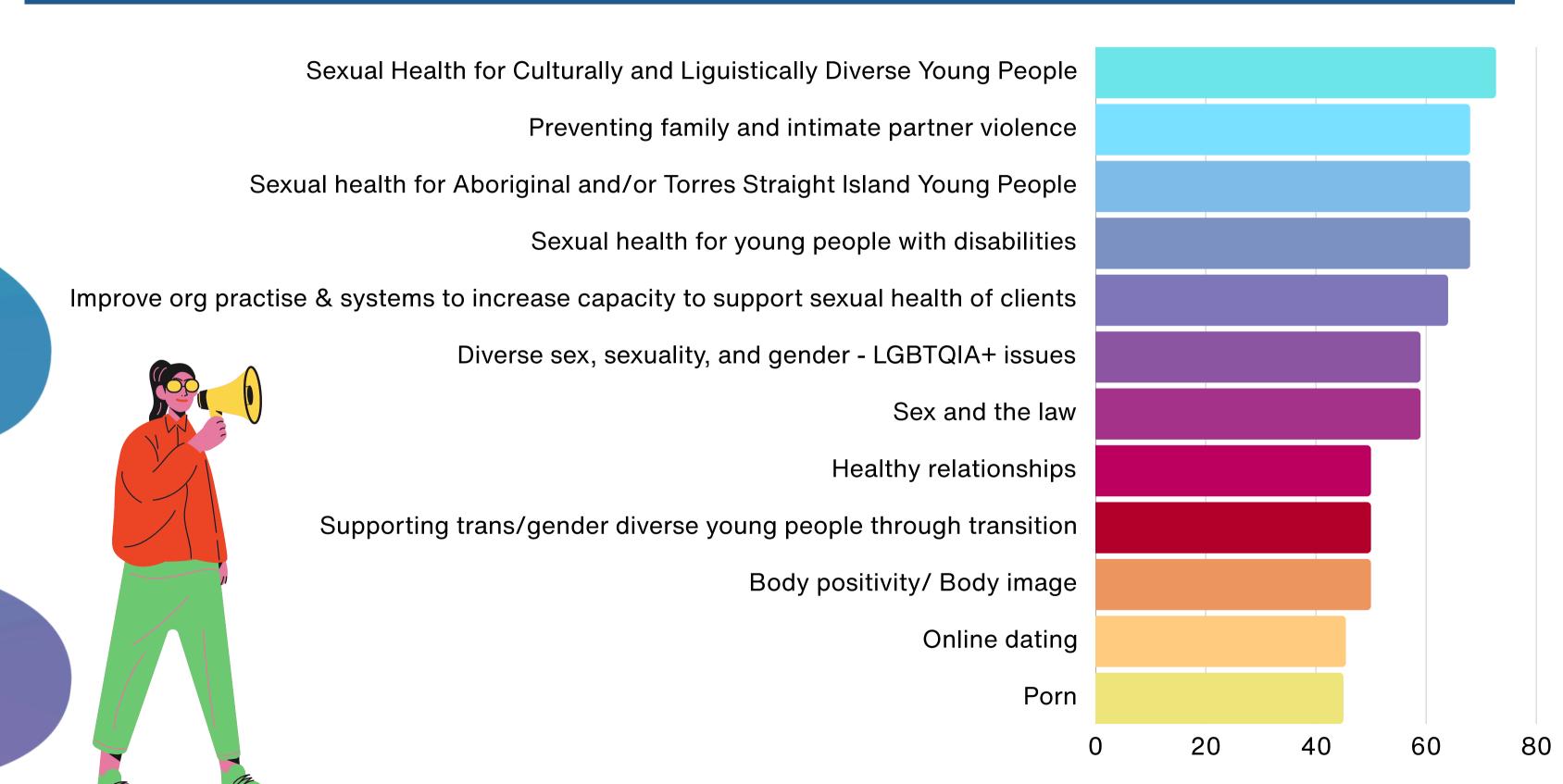
In the last year, 87% of professionals who support young people have referred or provided information for young people for STI and/or BBV testing and related support.



Referred/Provided Info/Supported 87

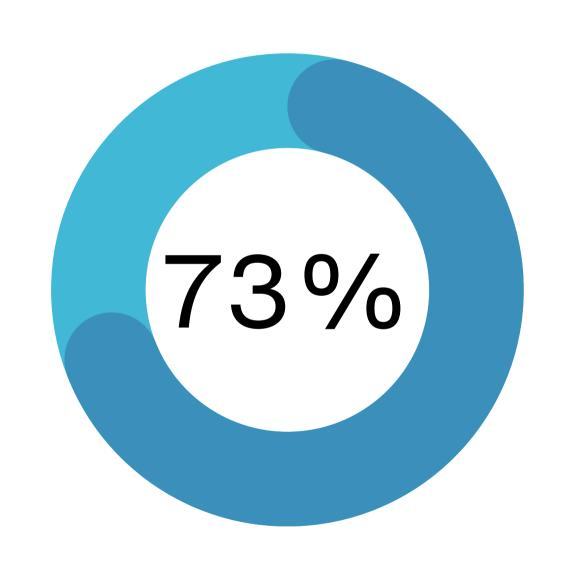


What Youth Professionals Want More Of





Education From Informed Youth Workers

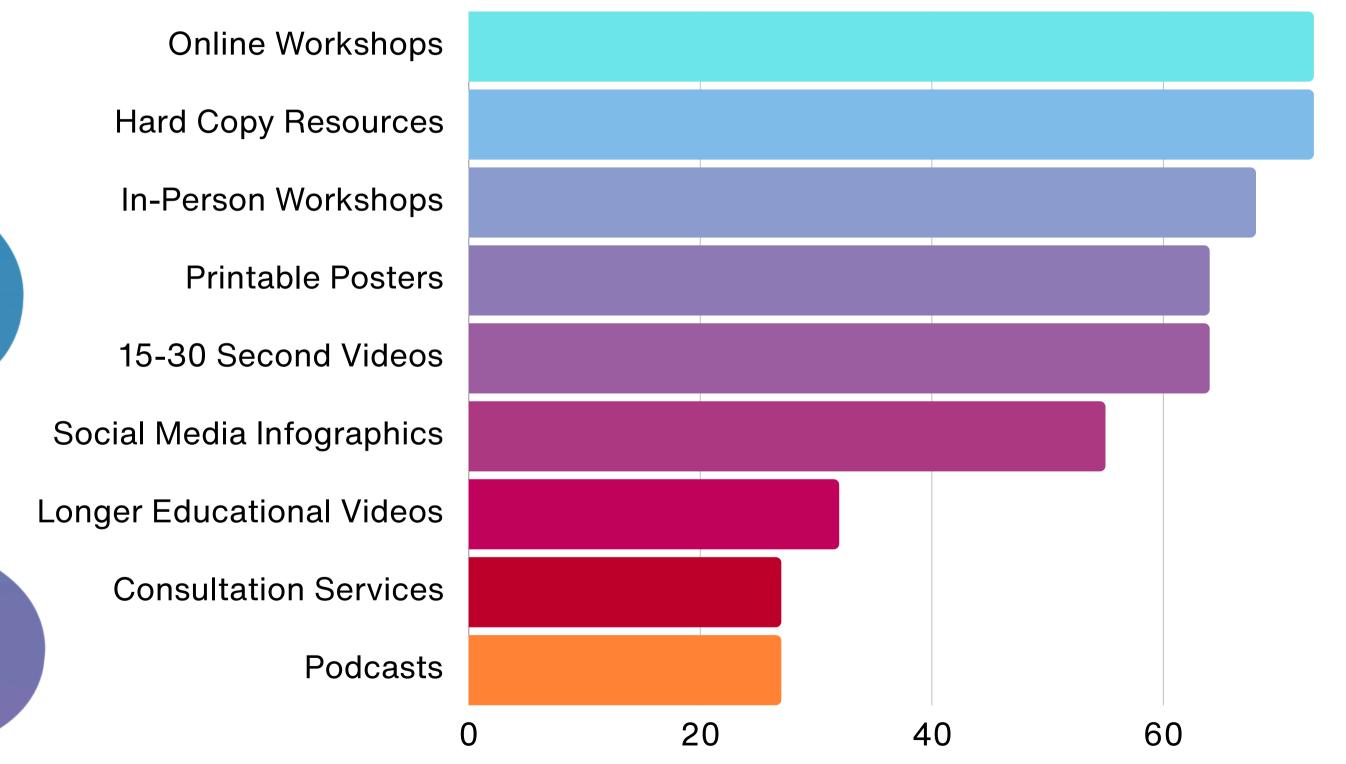


73% of respondents said their knowledge around youth sexual health is more likely to change when content is delivered by **informed youth workers** compared to a health professional.





Preferred Educational Strategies







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The YEP Project Educational Strategies

Educational strategies YEP can take to improve your knowledge of sexual health topics and of your clients:

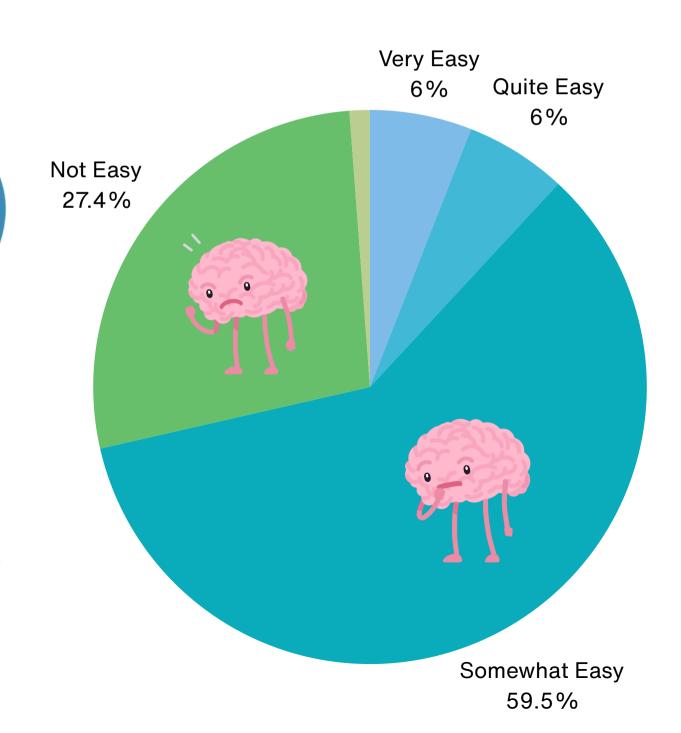


- 1. Social Media Infographics
- 2.15-60 Second Videos
- 3. Pamphlets
- 4. Printable Posters
- 5.1-3 Minute Videos
- 6. A Comprehensive Series of Interactive Face-to-Face Workshops
- 7. Online Workshops (Webinars) for Young People
- 8. A Once-Off Interactive Face-to-Face Workshop
- 9. Podcasts
- 10. Hard Copy Resources
- 11. Longer Educational Videos (3+ minutes)



Access to Confidential STI & BBV Treatment

How easy professionals who support young people felt it was for young people to get confidential STI/BBV test/treatment:

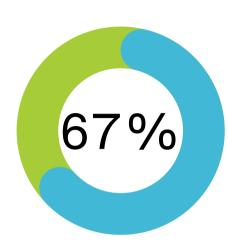


"Not easy to impossible - GPs are often judgemental and expensive to access. Young clients have to travel to the city to SHQ for an appointment or hope the Street Doctor is available. Youth Friendly GPs are often not that youth friendly/up to date with current practices either."

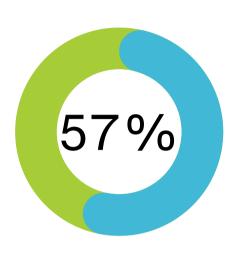
"In small towns it is almost impossible for confidentiality. If a young person goes into the hospital where our visiting doctors are, they are bound to know someone working or visiting there"



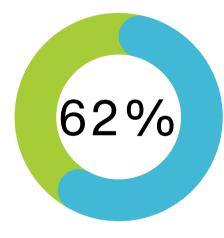
Perceived Barriers to SHBBV Education



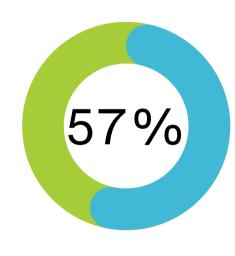
Lack of transport access for young people to sexual health services



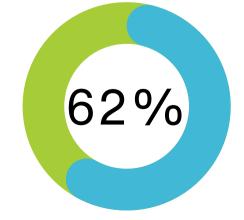
Lack of access to youth-friendly,
non-fear-based,
inclusive and culturally appropriate
relationship and sexual health
education and information



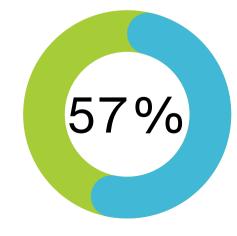
Scared their parents, friends,
partners, community
will find out they have
accessed a sexual health service



Lack of knowledge about the risks of getting a BBV (injecting drug use, backyard tattoos and piercings, sharing razors and toothbrushes)



Lack of disability friendly sexual health services



Lack of familiarity with sexual health resources

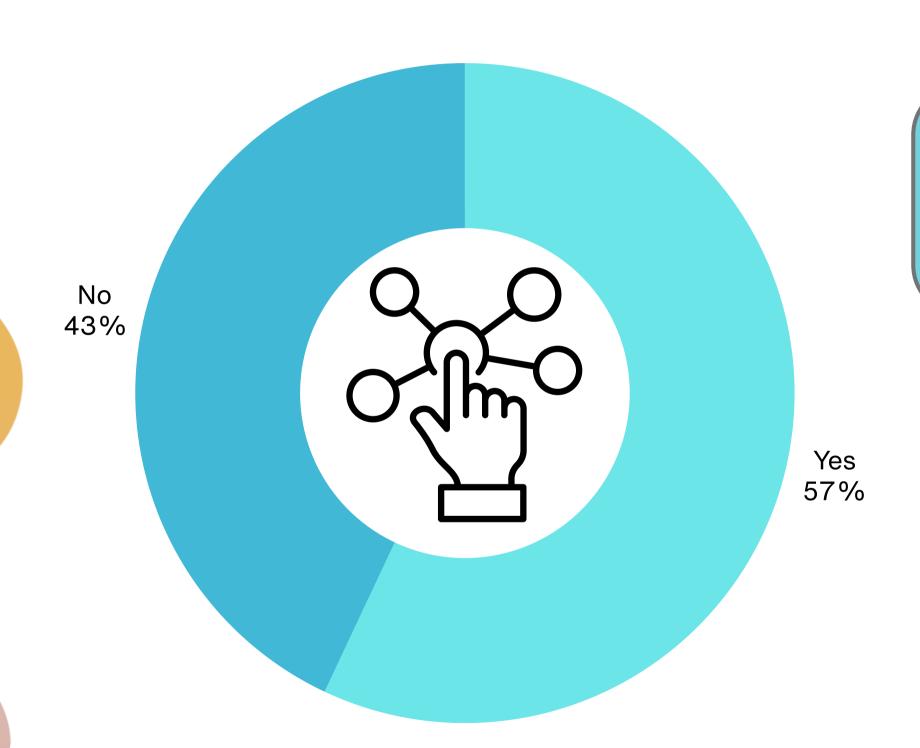


Sexual Health Education



70% of respondents said that young people in their organisation would benefit from a sexual health education program

YEP's Interaction

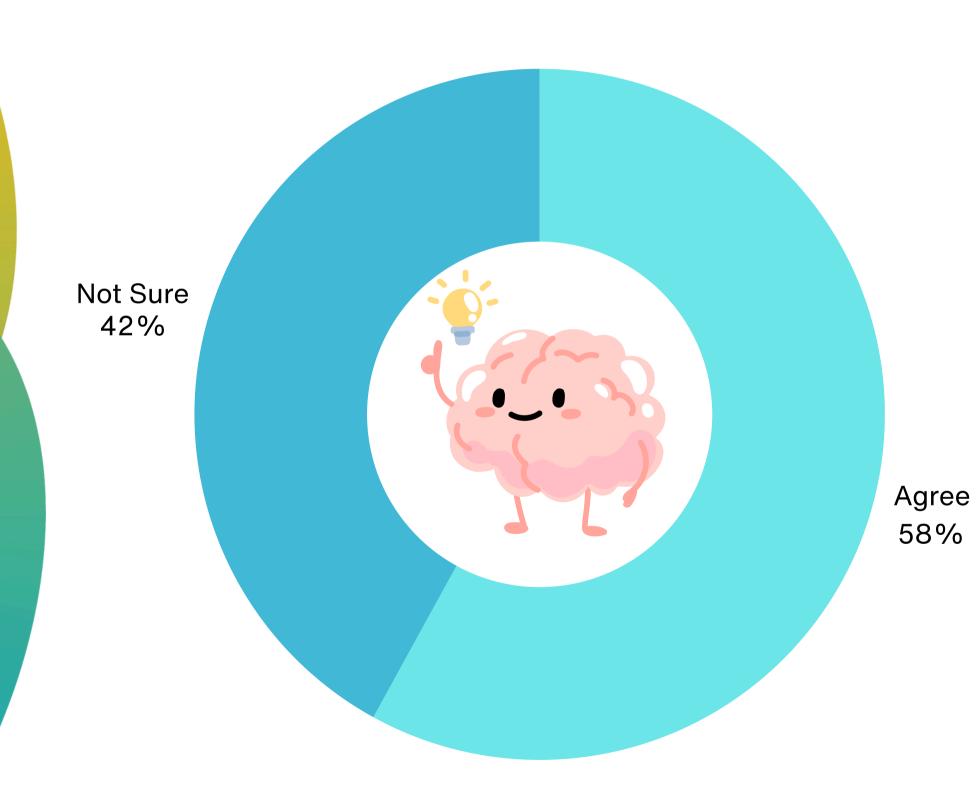


53% of respondents said they had interacted with the YEPProject within the last year.





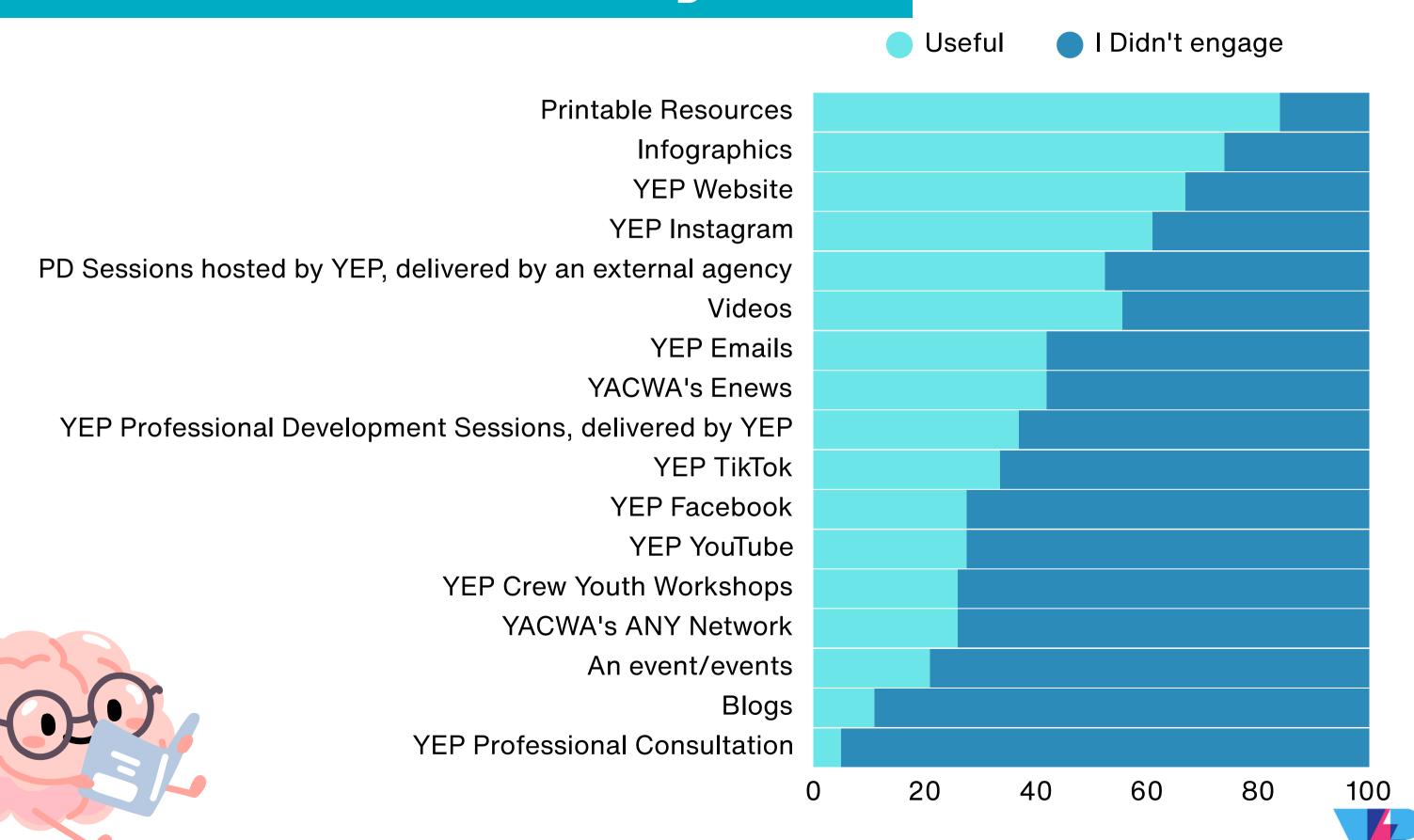
Connecting Sectors



58% of respondents agree that YEP has created online and offline opportunities for the SHBBV and youth sectors to connect



Useful Resources by YEP

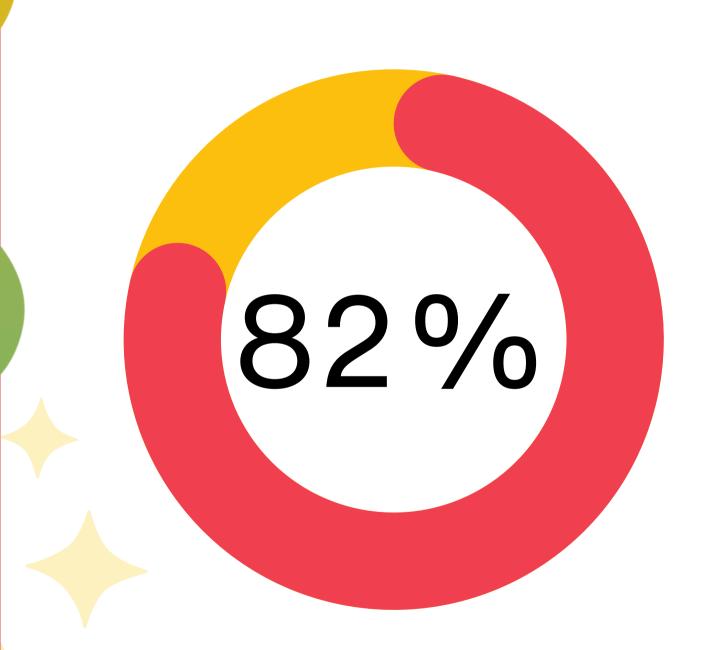


YEP Engagement Outcomes

- Agree
- Disagree
- Neither Agree/Disagree

My knowledge, skills and confidence regarding youth sexual health issues has increased
I am more confident in discussing sexual health issues with the young people I work with
I am more confident in discussing youth sexual health referral pathways with the young people I work with, including access to STI/BBV testing
YEP resources have assisted my collaborative practice
The YEP Project's online presence helps me engage with the young people I work with on sexual health issues
YEP supports the sexual health sector to increase their accessibility/friendliness for young people.
YEP Project provides places and opportunities (both on and off line) for people in the health and youth sectors to connect
My organisation/program has taken positive steps towards being more aware of youth sexual health needs and/or shifting organisational culture in this area
There are more young people wanting to discuss sexual health issues at my organisation/program
YEP Project has increased collaborations and partnerships between the youth sector and the sexual health sector

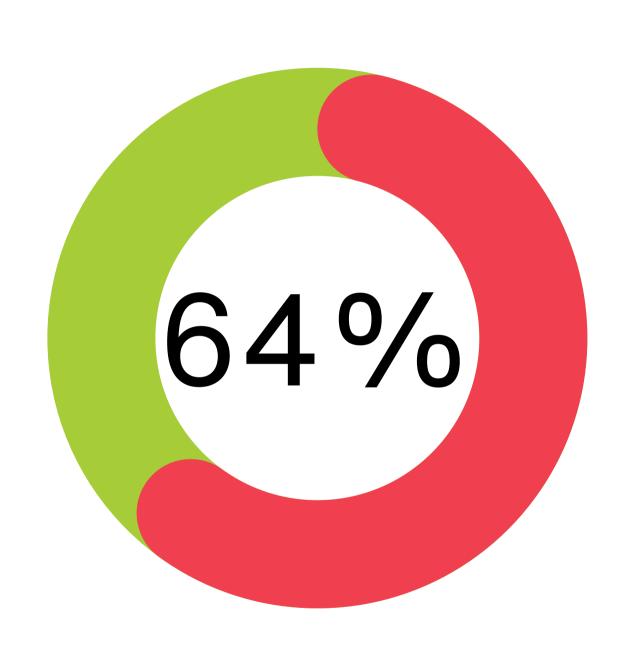
YEP Satisfaction



82% of respondents are satisfied with the online information the YEP Project has provided this year.



Collaboration



64% of respondents said that the YEP Project helped them work more collaboratively with other organisations

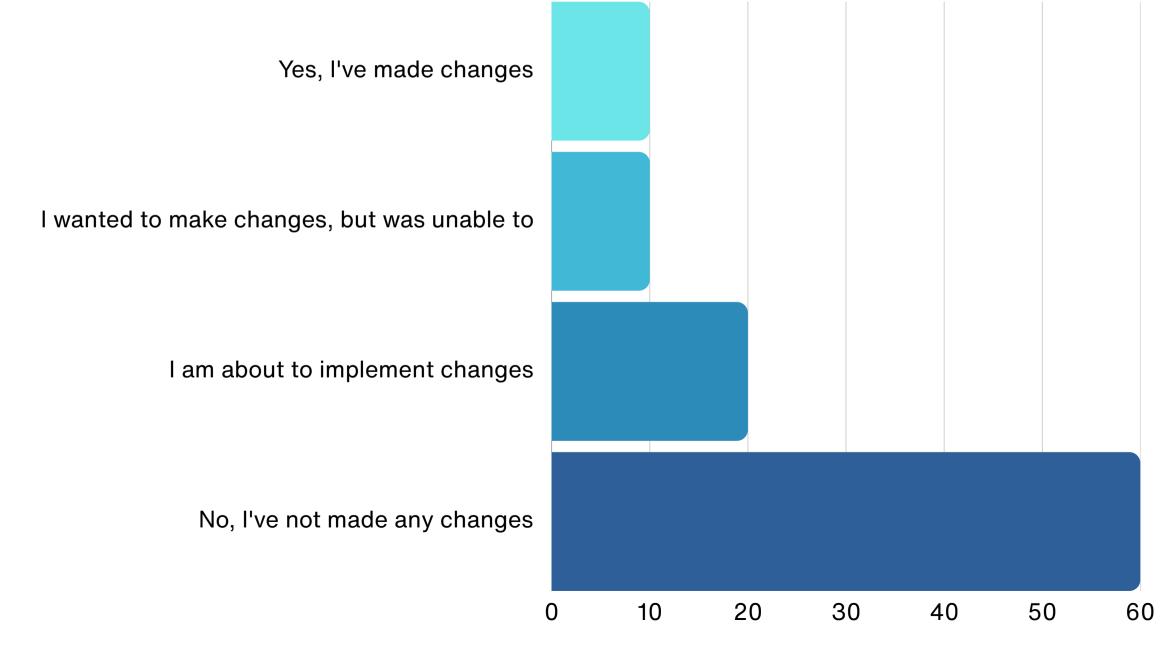




Changes To Practice

After reading the findings from last years YEP survey, some professionals that support young people have pushed for change within their practise.









YEP's Referral Guide

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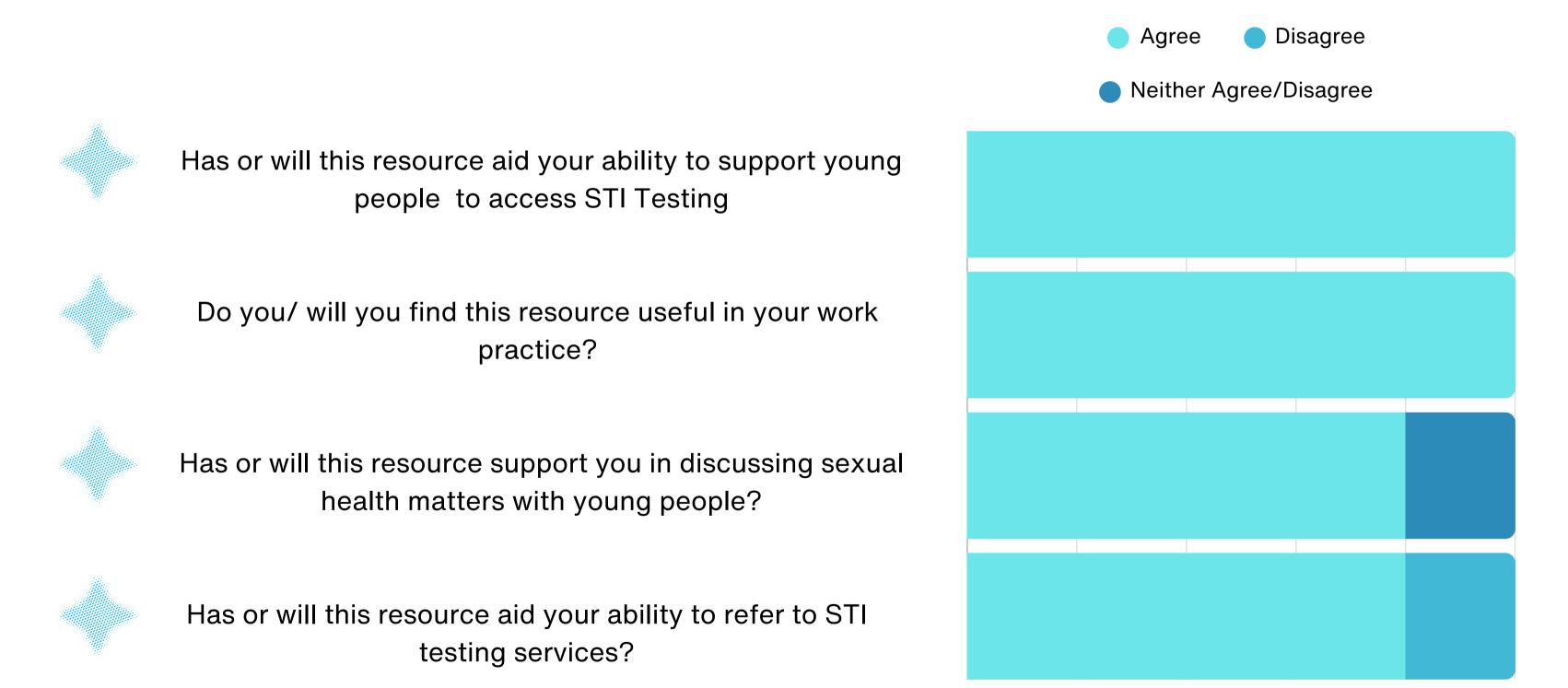
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50% of respondents said **they had** seen YEP's Youth Friendly Referral guide before





YEP's Referral Resource





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