

Chapter 6 Objectives

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1. Discuss sexual development from infancy through childhood, including the significance of sexual curiosity, sex play, and masturbation.
2. Describe the role of the family in teaching children about sexuality.
3. Summarize the physiological changes that accompany puberty for males and females, including any differences in the age of onset.
4. Discuss precocious puberty including the factors that lead to it and its effects.
5. Evaluate the roles of parents, peers, media, and religion on adolescent sexual development.
6. Identify strategies that schools can implement to create a safer school climate for LGBT students.
7. Evaluate the research on the origins of homosexuality.
8. Describe the positive association between coming out to oneself and feelings of self-worth.
9. Discuss teenage pregnancy, its risks, and the factors that might explain why African Americans, Hispanics, and American Indian teens have higher birth rates.
10. Describe the experiences and characteristics of teenage fathers.
11. Contrast abstinence only and comprehensive sexuality education programs.