HIV/AIDS Knowledge and Sexual Behavior Among High School Students

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A 1989 Secondary School Student Health Risk Survey finds that 54% of high school students in the U.S. had HIV education in school. A questionnaire revealed that the majority of students knew the two main modes of HIV transmission (intravenous drug use and unsafe sexual activity). Students who had taken HIV education classes gave correct answers more often than those who had not. Students who had more knowledge on HIV were less likely to report having had two or more sexual partners and more likely to report consistent use of condoms.

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