

Not Recommended

Minnesota Sexuality Education Resource Review Panel

Summary of Panel Review

***Sexuality, Commitment, and Family* (3rd Edition, 1998)**

Curriculum (359 Pages)

For senior high school students

\$98.50 for preview set (student workbook, teacher's manual, parent communicator)

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The Minnesota Sexuality Education Resource Review Panel **Does Not Recommend the use of this curriculum for the following reasons:**

Sexuality, Commitment, and Family is a curriculum with an abstinence-only focus. The panel found that the abstinence message is supported with information that misrepresents legitimate research or is technically inaccurate, outdated, or not cited at all. The panel expressed concern about the heterosexual, white, middle-class bias contained in the curriculum. The negative attitude about sexuality was also a concern for some panel members, who felt that the curriculum was shaming towards sexually active youth and people who have chosen alternative lifestyles. Because of the negative tone, misinformation, and heterosexual and racial bias, the panel does not recommend the use of this curriculum with any audience.

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Review Criteria

	Mean Score
1. Technically accurate and up-to-date	1.0
2. Gender Fair	1.2
3. Sexuality Positive	1.2
4. Developmentally appropriate for age	1.5
5. Racially, ethnically, culturally non-biased	1.1
6. Sound educational methodology	1.1
7. Educational messages/strategies provided for learners at all points of risk continuum	1.1

(Scoring is based on a 5 point Likert scale, from poor (1) to excellent (5). The mean (average) is based on the assessments of the panel members who were present to review the material 2/15/00.)

Panel Recommendations for Appropriate Audiences

Potential Audience	Recommend highly	Recommend	Reject	No response
General Audiences (Community groups, civic organizations, businesses, churches, community education)	0	0	12	0
School Settings (PK-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, college/adult, DD/EBD, teachers, school boards, school administrators, all personnel, youth groups)	0	0	12	0
Individual/Group Counseling (Health/social service clients at high risk and the professionals who serve them)	0	0	12	0
Multicultural/Inclusive Audiences (Addresses needs of communities of color; issues of sexual orientation, gender, disability)	0	0	12	0
Other (Describe)	0	0	4	8