

# **FACTORS INFLUENCING MANAGEMENT OF HIV/AIDS IN PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS, IN SIKAGO DIVISION, MBEERE NORTH DISTRICT, EMBU COUNTY, KENYA.**

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The researcher carried out a study on the factors influencing management of HIV/AIDS in public secondary schools in Siakago Division, Mbeere North District. The objectives of the study were; To investigate the social factors influencing HIV/AIDS status in public secondary schools in Siakago Division in Mbeere North District, to examine the economic factors influencing HIV/AIDS in secondary schools in Siakago Division, Mbeere North District, To assess HIV/AIDS education awareness and its effects on management in Secondary schools in Siakago Division, Mbeere North District and to find out the control practices in management of HIV/AIDS in secondary schools in Siakago Division in Mbeere North District. The study adopted the descriptive research design where the target population was 2616 and the sample size of 190 students. The study used both stratified random sampling and simple random sampling techniques. Data was collected using questionnaires. Descriptive statistics was used to analyze the data. It was found from the study that alcohol and drugs were a major contributor to the spread of HIV/AIDS. The findings indicate that the students who came from families whose parents were employed or in business were economically empowered and that 84% had both parents, 14% were from single parents and 2% were orphans. Awareness on how the virus spreads created by the stakeholders was a major contributor on its effect on HIV/AIDS management. The control practices in management of HIV/AIDS in public secondary schools in the area were majorly abstinence. According to the findings that were generated in the study at Siakago division, the researcher concluded this based on adequate conclusive evidence depicted from the summary of the major findings. The recommendations went to the Kenyan Government, the school management and medical practitioners and researchers. The management of HIV/AIDS in Mbeere North District was influenced greatly by the factors that were discussed in the study. The research findings will be of significance to the future research bodies as it will add to the existing body of knowledge on the management of HIV/AIDS in Kenya. The researchers will use the report as a reference point for future research. The policy makers in the health sector may also benefit as they will initiate or come up with policy that addresses the various factors. Lastly, the Government and NGOs will benefit as they will understand the management of HIV/AIDS in Siakago Division.

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