# EFFECTS OF ALCOHOLISM ON THE SPREAD OF HIV/AIDS AMONG YOUTH IN MAKINDYE DIVISION

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## ACRYNOMS/ABREVITION

AIDS Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

**CD4** Cluster of Differentiation 4

**HIV** Human Immune Deficiency Virus

**ART** Anti-retroviral therapy

**MOH** Ministry of Health

**SPSS** Statistical Package for Social Sciences

**TASO** The AIDS Support Organization

**UACP** Uganda AIDS Control Program

**UNAIDS** United Nations Joint Program on Aids

STDS Sexually Transmitted Diseases

**AIC** Aids Information Centre

**WHO** World Health Organization

#### **ABSTRACT**

The purpose of the study was to examine the effects of alcoholism on the spread of HIV/AIDS among youth in Makindye Division. The study had three specific objectives, which included) to examine how HIV/AIDS is spread among youths of Makindye Division and iii) to examine how HIV/AIDS among youths of Bushessi Division. The study employed a descriptive correlation design that used both qualitative and quantitative methods of data collection. The findings indicated that most respondents (48%) were females who are in vulnerable groups, aged between 15-18 years (52.5%), pertaining the class of respondents, majority had reached diploma level with a frequency of 52.5 percent and secondary with a frequency of 24.3 percent and minority were primary with a frequency of 1.4% followed by 12.5. percent. The level of the effects of alcoholism was general often with mean (3.1901) which indicated that most of respondents agreed. The level of the spread of HIV/AIDS is generally often (average mean=3.1635) they strongly agreed. And also indicated a positive -e significant relationship between the level of effects of alcoholism and spread of HIV among youths(r=0.723, sig. =0.000) the more the government and non government organizations have tried to eliminate the effects of alcoholism; the adolescents are now able to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS. The researcher recommends there is need to sensitize youths to adopt the effects of alcoholism management strategies. There is need to uplift the educational level of HIV positive adolescents since most of them had diplomas.

#### **CHAPTER ONE**

#### Introduction

This chapter consists of background to the study, statement of the problem, purpose of the study, statement of the null hypothesis, research questions, and scope of the study and significance the study.

#### Background of the study

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is caused by a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) that weakens the immune system, making the body susceptible to opportunistic diseases that often lead to death. Promising developments have been seen in recent years in global efforts to address the programmes (UNAIDS 2006). Indeed, recent data show global HIV prevalence leveled off and that the number of new infections has fallen as a result of the impact of HIV programmes. It also showed that 2.4millon [1.8-4million] people become newly infected and 2.1 million [1.9-2.4million] people died of AIDS. However, there is a need to adapt and revive HIV prevention efforts as some countries are seeing a reversal of declining trend (UNAIDS2007).

The predominant mode of HIV transmission is through heterosexual contract, followed in magnitude by perinatal transmission, where the mother passes the virus to the child during pregnancy, delivery or breast feeding. Other modes of transmission are through infect blood and unsafe injections. HIV/AIDS is a global challenge that has threatened the very existence of the human race. In most countries the epidemic did not occur until the 1980s. At present, there is not country in the world without HIV cases (WHO1995). The African continent is said to hold the vast majority of the world's HIV infected population. It is estimated that in 2007, of the 33.0 million people living with HIV/AIDS, 22.0 million of them lived in sub-Saharan Africa (UNAIDS, 2008).

The earliest document case of AIDS in Sub-Saharan African appears to have been in the elusive nature of the human immune-deficiency virus (HIV) and its sequelea has created a demand for increased research in the area of human sexual behavior. Many

available studies show that transmission of the disease is as a result of multiple sexual partners, in both heterosexual and homosexual relationships. More than 25 million people have died of AIDS since 1981. Africa has 11.6% AIDS orphans. At the end of 2007, women accounted for 50 percent of all adults living with HIV worldwide and for 59 percent in Sub-Saharan Africa. Young people (under 25years old) account for half of all new infections Worldwide (UNAIDS, 2008)

Currently, 7.3 percent of Uganda's population is living with HIV. This amounts to an estimated 1.4 million people, which 19,000children. An estimated 62,000 people died from AIDS in 2011 and 1.1 million children have been orphaned by Uganda's devastating epidemic.

The prevalence has rising since its lowest rate of 6.4 percent in 2006. New infections are diagnosed in 150,000 people a year, of whom 20,600 are children. Despite this, the 2012 life expectancy of 55 years is nine years higher than the expectancy in 2000, likely to be a result of greater access to treatment for people living with HIV.

The government's shift towards abstinence-only prevention programs, alongside a general complacency or AIDS-fatigue' has reduced the practice of safe sex. It has also been suggested that greater access to antiretroviral drug treatment (ART) reduces people's fear and urgency to get tested for HIV, increasing the likelihood of engaging in risky behavior. The number of new infections per year exceeds the number of annual AIDS deaths, explaining the rising HIV prevalence.

Almost a quarter of people living with HIV in Uganda are part of the education system either students or staff.10 only 39 percent of young people aged 15to 24 know all the necessary facts about how HIV can be prevented, suggesting a lack of clear sex education. Women in particular are in need of sex education and access to HIV service; HIV prevalence is 5.4 percent, compared to 2.4 percent amongst men. The fact that Ugandan women tend to marry and become sexually active at younger age than their

male counterparts, and often have older and more sexually experienced partners, places them at an increased risk of HIV. AVERT.org has more about women and HIV.

#### **Problems statement**

Drug and alcohol intoxication affect judgment and can lead to unsafe sexual particles, which put people at risk for getting HIV or transmitting it to some one else. The effects of alcohol consumption can result into the inability to make rational decisions, leading one to take risks that one is less likely to take when sober, such as high-risk sexual behavior hence resulting into contracting of HIV/AIDS and STIs.

#### Purpose of the study

The purpose of the study was to examine the effects of alcoholism on the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths in Makindye Division.

#### Research objectives

- i. To examine the effects of alcoholism on the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths in Makindye Division.
- ii. To examine how HIV/AIDS is spread among youths of Makindye Division.
- iii. To determine the signification relationship the effects of alcoholism and spread of HIV/AIDS among youths of Makindye Division.

#### **Research Questions**

The study sought to answer the following research questions:

- 1) What are effects of alcoholism on the spread of HIV/AIDS among youth of Makindye Division?
- 2) What is prevention strategies associated with HIV/AIDS among people living with disability of Kampala District?
- 3) What is significant relationship between alcoholism and spread of HIV among youth of Makindye Division?

#### **Null Hypothesis**

There is no significant relationship between alcoholism and spread of HIV/AIDS among youths of Makindye Division.

#### Scope

The study was conducted in selected villages of Bushenyi District for alcoholic youths. The study intended to examine the effects of alcoholism on the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths of Bushenyi District, and the relationship between independent variable and dependent variable.

#### Significance of the study

The following discipline were benefited from the finding the study.

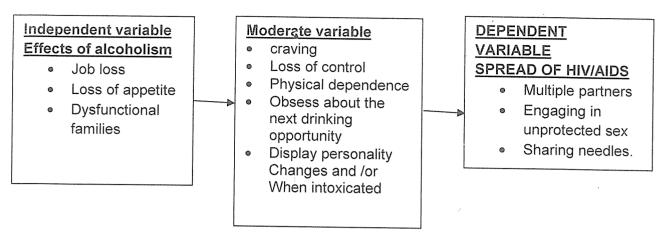
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The research was of great importance to me as a researcher because I hoped to acquire research skills which I could apply to conduct in other subjects. Skills like developing questionnaires, interesting with new people and get the necessary information and analyzing data.

The research also helped the government discover the effects of alcoholism on the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths of Makindye Division; this helped them come up with better policies which resulted into HIV/AIDS prevention.

The research also benefited the future researchers who carried out research about the same topic of effects of alcoholism on the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths and learn more about HIV/AIDs, impacts, prevention.

#### Conceptual framework



# Source: developed by the researcher aided by UNAIDS 2006. Report on the Global AIDS epidemic 2006, UNAIDS, Geneva

The independent variable of alcohol causes job, loss appetite, diseases, the dependent variable of spread of HIV/AIDS indicated the total impact arising from the effects of the independent (alcohol) variable of alcoholism. An effect of alcoholism was a dependent variable, which was operetionalized as the mean sore in multiple partners, engaging in unprotected sex, sharing needles. The intervening variables of craving, loss of control, physical dependence, obsess about the drinking opportunity, display personality changes and/or compromise morals when intoxicated had to be controlled so as not to influence the results the results of the study.

#### **CHAPTER TWO**

#### **REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE**

#### Introduction

This chapter provides an overview of the result of the review of available literature on the risk of contracting STIs/HIV where alcohol is used in sexual encounters in the selected project sites. Attention is given to the following issue: broad socioeconomic conditions in the countries concerned; the nature, extent and consequences of alcohol uses as well as policies in this regard; the prevalence of sexually transmitted infections (STIs), HIV and AIDS; relationships between alcohol use and sexual risk behavior with respect to HIV infection; and groups who are vulnerable to alcohol use, sexual risk behavior and HIV infection. (Akol, 2000)

#### Effects of alcoholism

#### **Behavioral Effects**

Alcohol use cause disinhibition and diminished perception of risk, which increase the likelihood that a person would put him or herself (or his/her partner) at risk for HIV infection by engaging in unsafe sexual practices, such as having multiple sex partners, unprotected intercourse, sex with high-risk partners (e.g. injection drug users, prostitutes), and exchanging sex for money or drug (Cohall, et al.2005).however, this issue still is being debated.

Sexual promiscuity triggered by alcohol abuse also increase the risk of acquiring other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs ), and people with STDs are at risk for both transmitting and acquiring HIV.STDs appear to increase susceptibility to HIV infection by two mechanism. UIcerative STDs such as syphilis, harpies, or cancroids' cause breaks in the genital track lining or skin, creating a portal of entry for HIV. Genital ulcers or nonulcerative STDs such as chlomydiosis, gonorrhea and trichomoniasis induce inflammation in the genital tract, thus increasing the concentration of cells in genital secretions that can serve as targets for HIV (e,g.,CD4<sup>+</sup> T-cells, a type of white blood cell involved in cell-mediated immunity which also serve as host cells that aid HIV in

replication). STDs also appear to increase the risk of an HIV –infected person transmitting the virus, as people with HIV who present with other STDs are shedding more HIV in their genital secretion than are those who are infected with HIV only. (Hogle, et'al 2002)

#### **Physiological Effects**

Aside from behavioral impacts, alcohol abuse may increase host transmissibility through other mechanisms. By increasing viral replication in HIV-infected patients, alcohol may increase the virus concentration in the semen and in the vagina and and thus facilitate HIV transmission. Thus, moderate to heavy alcohol consumption is positively correlated with vaginal shedding of HIV in patient on ART, even after adjusting for medication compliance (Jemmot L.S. et'al 2000). By interacting with diverse components of the immune system, alcohol may increase immune activation and inflammation in the HIV –infected patient and thus increase the pool of HIV target cells systemically and at transmission sites. In addition, alcohol may be responsible for changes in vaginal flora, which may induce inflammation and thus increase the rates of HIV transmission.

Other factors that may contribute to the increased spreading of HIV such as high levels of viral replication and resistance, increased levels of immune activation, and accelerated disease progression have been reported to occur in medication noncompliant HIV-infected patient that abuse alcohol. Altogether, these date clearly suggest that alcohol consumption has a negative effect on HIV transmission and that specific interventions should be developed for substance abuse treatment in the HIV population. These interventions should particularly target women and teenagers, the segment of the population in which most of new cases arise and in which alcohol plays an important role in HIV transmission. (MOH) (2003).

#### Alcohol and spread of HIV/AIDs

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is caused by a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) that weakens the immune system, making the body susceptible to and

unable to recover from other opportunistic diseases that lead to death (Caldwell, 1998). The predominant mode of HIV transmission is through heterosexual contract, followed in magnitude by prenatal transmission, in which the mother passes the virus to child during pregnancy, delivery, or breastfeeding. Other modes of transmission are through infected blood and unsafe injections.

HIV can be transmitted from an infected person to another through: Blood (including menstrual blood), semen, vaginal secretions and breast milk. Blood contains the highest concentration of the virus, followed by semen, followed by vaginal fluids, followed by breast milk. These are activities that can easily transmit HIV/AIDS through:-unprotected sexual contact, District blood contact, including injection drug needles, blood transfusions, accidents in health care settings or certain blood products, mother to baby (before or during birth, or through breast milk), sharing injection needles (cotton, 2004): An injection needle can pass blood directly from one person's bloodstream to another. It is a very efficient way to transmit a blood-borne virus. *Sharing needles is considered a high-risk practice,* mother to child: it is possible for an HIV-infected mother to pass the virus directly before or during birth, or through breast milk, breast contains HIV, and while small amounts of breast milk do not pose significant threat of infection to adults, it is a viable means of transmission to infants (cotton, 2004).

#### Alcoholism and HIV Transmission

People who abuse alcohol are more likely to engage in behaviors that place them at risk for contracting HIV. For example, rates of injection drug use are high among alcoholics in treatment, and increasing levels of alcohol ingestion are associated with great injection drug-related risk behaviors, including needle sharing. A history of heavy alcohol use has been corrected with a lifetime tendency toward high-risk sexual behaviors, including multiple sex partners, unprotected intercourse, sex with high-risk partners (e.g. injection drug users, prestitutes), and the exchange of sex for money or drugs. There may be many reasons for this association. For example, alcohol can act directly on the brain to reduce inhibitions and diminish risk perception. PEARL (2000)

The association between drinking levels and high-risk sexual behavior does not imply that alcohol necessarily plays a direct role in such behavior or that it causes high-risk behavior on every occasion. For example, bars and drinking parties serve as convenient social settings for meeting potential sexual partners. In addition, alcohol abuse occurs frequently among people whose lifestyle or personality predisposes them to high-risk behaviors in general.

Beliefs that alcohol facilities or enhances sexual intercourse contribute towards consumption before or during sexual intercourse, according to the WHO study. Alcohol is commonly used as adisinhibitor, a se facilitator, symbol of masculinity, and a means of relation, recreation, socializing and improving communication skills (e.g. in Mexico and Romania). Alcohol beverages are also used as a facilitator in approaching the opposite sex. "Masculinity" is often linked to the ability to have multiple partners, imbibe alcohol and engage in promiscuous behavior. Among women, alcohol use increase involvement in risky sexual encounters and sexual victimization, exposing them to the risk of unwanted pregnancies and STIs.(perreb,et'al,2002)

# Alcohol -serving places as contact places for sexual encounters

The WHO study identified drinking places like bars, restaurants etc as venues were the combination of alcohol and sexual encounters lead to an increased risk of HIV transmission. In addition to this general observation, the report points at what they call "tricky issues". On the example under this paragraph is from Mexico:" in Mexico some members of NGOs with a health promotion mission were owners of venues that animated/encouraged high-risk sex, e.g. dark rooms (for anonymous sex).furthermore drinking venues posed particular problems in Mexico. There were places and particularly drinking venues and strategies that induced customers to engage in extremely risk behavior, e.g. certain bars in Mexico City where one could get to the rest room only by passing the "dark rooms). In south Africa the drinking venues in certain sites had similar problems, such as shared toilets, poor lighting, sexual harassment of women by

owners and sellers, and very low levels of disapproval of risky behaviors in the venues.(Varga 2000)

#### Conclusion

Risky patterns of drinking may overlap with other risky patterns of behavior to compound the spread of HIV/AIDS. According to WHO, 'the synergy between sexual behavior and alcohol use enormously multiplies the potential negative consequences of the two behaviors separately". To tackle the relationship between problem drinking and HIV/AIDS, interventions must consider individual/group perceptions and expectations surrounding alcohol use and sex in the context of the broader socioeconomic conditions that simultaneously influence risk behaviors. Prevention initiatives must identify key patterns of alcohol misuse and sexual risk behaviors(e.g., the acceptance of alcohol as a facilitator for sex or conceptualizing drinking as expression of masculinity)and address underlying notions of risk (e.g., unwanted pregnancy, STIs, losing a partner, economic loss) to foster behavior change.

#### **CHAPTER THREE**

#### **RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

#### Introduction

This chapter consists of research design, population, and sample size, sampling procedures, instruments, validity and reliability of the instruments, data gathering procedures, data analysis, ethical considerations and limitation of the study.

#### Research Design

The study employed a descriptive correlation design that used both qualitative and quantitative methods move data collection. It was quantitative in the sense that it was based on methodological principles of description, and use of statically measurements as expected by the researcher. Qualitative data presented on tables (Wildler, 2002).

#### Research population

This refers to the research focused on. The researcher believes that this group has vital information. Therefore, the target population was one hundred (100) respondents in of selected villages of Bushenyi district.

Sample size

The solvent's formulary was used to determine the minimum sample size.

$$n = \frac{N}{1 + Na^2}$$

N=Target population

n =sample size

a2= 0.05(level of significance)

#### Sampling procedures

The purposive sampling was utilized to select the respondents. From the list of qualified respondents were chosen basing on the inclusion criteria, the systematic random sampling was used and finally selected the respondents with consideration to the computed minimum sample size.

#### Research instruments

The research tool that was used in this study the following (1) face sheet to gather data on the respondents' profile;- (gender, age, education qualification and marital status); (2) researcher devised questionnaires to examine the effects of alcoholism and spread of HIV/AIDA. The response mode and scoring was as follows: for effects of alcoholism and spread of HIV/AIDS-1) strongly disagree (2); disagree (3); agree (4); strongly agree.

#### **Data Gathering procedures**

An introduction letter was obtained from the college of humanities and social sciences for the researcher to solicit approval to conduct the study from respective officials on alcoholic youths, respondents were requested to answer completely and not to leave any part of questionnaires unanswered and the data gather will be collated, encoded into computer and statistically treated using the statistical package for social sciences (SPSS)

#### Data analysis

The frequency and percentage distribution was used to determine the profile of the respondents.

The means and standard deviation were applied for the effects of alcoholism and spread of HIV/AIDS among youths.

The following mean ranges were used to arrive at the mean of the individual indicators and interpretation:

Mean range	response mode	interpretation
3.26-4.00	strongly agree	very often
2.51-3.25	Agree	often
1.76-2.50	Disagree °	rarely
1.00-1.75	strongly disagree	very rarely

To determine whether there is a significant relationship between effects of alcoholism and spread of HIVAIDS, Pearson linear correlation coefficient (PLCC) was used to compute the influence of the independent variable to dependent variable.

#### **Ethical consideration**

Confidentiality of the information provided by the respondents was maintained, a researcher sought for permission from officials and the respondent's name were not be reflected.

Acknowledge the authors quoted in this study and author of the standardized instrument through citations and referencing.

It is important during the process of research for the researcher to understand that participation is voluntary; participants are free to refuse to answer any question and may with draw any time.

Another important consideration, involves getting the informed consent of those going to be met during the research process, which involves interviews and observations bearing in mind that the area bears conflict.

Accuracy and honesty during the research process is very important for academic research to proceed. The researcher should treat the project with utmost care, in that there should be no temptation to cheat and generate research results, since it jeopardizes the conception of research.

#### **CHAPTER FOUR**

## DATA PRESENTATION, ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

#### Introduction

This chapter shows the profile of respondents; examine the level of the effects of alcoholism among youths, the level of the spread of HIV/AIDS and the significant relationship between the effects of alcoholism and the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths in Makindye Division. The present here is based on data as collected from the field and as analyzed by the researcher.

#### Profile of the respondents

Table 4.1: Gender of respondents

Gender	Frequency	Percentage
Male	32	40
Female	48	60
Total	80	100

#### (Primary source, 2015)

Results from Table 4.1 indicate that most of the respondents were female that is to say 48 percent and minorities were males with 32 percent. Therefore, female dominated in this sample.

Table 4.1.2 Age of respondents

Age	Frequency	Percentage
12-14	34	42.5
15-18	46	52.5
Total	80	100

#### (Primary source, 2015)

As far as age is concerned, 42.5 percent respondents were in the age bracket of 12-14, followed by 15-18 years of age with 52.5 percent.

Table 4.1.3 Educational levels of respondents

Education level	Frequency	Percentage
Primary	1	1.4
secondary	27	24.3
Diploma	42	52.5
Degree	10	12.5
Total	80	100.0

#### (Primary source, 2015)

Pertaining the class of respondents, majority had diploma level with a frequency of 52.5 percent and secondary with a frequency of 4.3 percent and minority were primary with a frequency of 1.4 percent followed by 12. 5 percent. This is means that a person is able to read and write hence getting correct information from them.

## Level of the effects of alcoholism among youths in Makindye Division

The first independent variable in this study was effects of alcoholism for which the researcher required to determine its level. It was measured using qualitative questions in which respondents were required to indicate the extent to which they agree or disagree with each of the items by indicating the number that suits their perceptions. Each of these questions were measured on a 4- point liker scale, means and standard deviations were used as indicated table 4.2.

Table 4.2 to show the level of the effects of alcoholism among youths in

Makindve Division

Categories	Mean	Std.
٥		Deviation
you are less able to say no to sex	3.70	4.539
You desire for sex after taking alcohol	3.41	.791
You are sexually aggressive	3.37	.603
After drinking alcohol, you forget in the night everything you have learnt during day	3.36	.767
You are forced to trade sex as means of getting	3.35	.863
money for alcohol		
You are unable to make decisions when drunk	3.35	.748
You have poor judgment memory	3.35	.748
You are involved in risky sexual behaviors	3.34	.858
You engage in safe sex when drunk	3.32	.826
You sexually active when drunk	3.24	.830
You do not fear ,of STD infection and that, while	3.20	.736
under the influence of alcohol, you often have		
sex without considering the risk of HIV infection		
You find it difficult to control your sexual desire	3.15	.929
Average	3.190	.33770

### (Primary source, 2015)

Mean range	Response	۵	Interpretation
3.26-4.00	strongly agree		very often
2.51-3.25	Agree		often
1.76-2.50	Disagree		rarely
1.00-1.75	strongly disagree		very rarely

The means in Table 2 indicated that the level of the effects of alcoholism among youths was generally very often. this is indicated buy the overall average mean (3.1901) and the first nine items were rated often and is you are less able to say no to sex (3.70) with a standard deviation of (4.539), followed by you desire for sex after taking alcohol mean (3.41)of (.791), you are sexually aggressive (mean=3.37) of (.603) on average, after drinking alcohol, you forget in the night every thing you have learnt during day mean (3.35), ou are unable to make decisions when drunk with mean (3.35), and you have poor judgment memory mean (3.35), you are involved in risky sexual behaviors mean (3.34) and you engage in safe when drunk (mean=3.32). In addition the last the items were rated often. The overall mean (3.1901) indicates that on average, most of respondents strongly agreed meaning that alcohol has significant impact in their lives.

# Level of the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths in Makindye Division

The second dependent variable in this study was the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths for which the researcher required to determine its level. It was measured using qualitative questions in which respondents were required to indicate the extent to which they agree or disagree with each of the items by indicating the number that suits their perceptions. Each of these questions were measured on a 4-point linker scale, means and standard deviations were used as indicated in table 4.3.

Table 4: level of the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths in Makindye Division

Categories	Mean	Std.
		Deviation.
you are able to share needles	3.3418	.74912
You have multiple sexual partners	3.24	.830
You practice safer sex	3.24	.830
You use a condom every time you penetrative	3.18	.859
sexual intercourse		
You know your HIV/AIDS status you tested together	3.14	.868
with your partner		
You have one faithful partner	3.14	.807
You utilize voluntary counseling and testing services	3.10	.851
at your place		
Youths are more vulnerable to HIV/AIDS	2.99	.987
transmission		
Average	3.1635	.41203

Mean range

response mode

Interpretation

3.26-4.00	Strongly agree	very often
2.51-3.25	Agree	often
1.76-2.50	Disagree	rarely
1.00-1.75	strongly disagree	very rarely

Result in Table 4:3 reveal that the spread of among youths was generally often (average mean=3.1635). The findings indicate that level of the spread of HIV/AIDS was often on six categories that is you have multiple sexual partners (mean=3.24), you practice safer sex (mean=3.41), you use a condom every time you have penetrative sexual intercourse (mean=3.18), you know your HIV/AIDS status and you tested together with your partner (mean =3.14) you have one faithful partner (mean=3.14) and utilize voluntary counseling and testing services at your place (mean =3.10).further still, one category was rated very often and that is you are able to share needles (mean=3.3418) and the last category was rated rare, youths are more vulnerable to HIV/AIDS transmission (mean=2.99).this means that most of respondents oftenely spread HIV after taking alcohol.

# Relation between effects of alcoholism and the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths in Makindye Division

The fourth objective was to establish whether there is significant relationship between effects of alcoholism and the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths in Makindye Division. The researcher tested a null hypothesis that there is no significant relationship between effect of alcoholism and the spread of HIV/HIVS among youths in Makindye Division. To test this null hypothesis, the Pearson's linear correlation coefficient (PLCC) and the results are indicated in table 4.

Table 4.4 Relationship between effects of alcoholism and the spread of HTV/ATDS among vouths in Makindye Division

Variables	r-value	Sig	Interpretation	Decision on
Correlated				Ho
Effects of	.743	.000	Significantly	Rejected
Alcoholism			Correlated	, -
Vs				
Spread of HIV/AIDS				

The result in Table indicates that is no significant relationship between the effects of alcoholism the spread of HIV/AIDS(r=0.743, sig. =0.000). The findings also indicate that the effects of alcoholism and the spread of HIV/AIDS positively correlated. The r coefficient of 0.743 indicates that the once the effect it's of alcoholism is got rid of also the youth are able to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS. Since the sig. values (.000) were far than 0.005, which is the maximum level of significance required declaring a significant relationship. Basing on these results, the null hypothesis was rejected and the alternative was accepted. A conclusion was made that an improvement in alcohol management strategies program is likely to reduce the level of the HIV/AIDS at 95 percent level of significance.

#### CHAPTER FIVE

## SUMMARY, CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Introduction

This chapter presents the findings, conclusions and recommendations following the study objectives and study hypothesis. The researcher also suggests areas for further research.

#### **Summary of Findings**

The purpose of the study was examining the effects of alcoholism on the spread of HIV/AIDS among youths in Makindye Division. The study had three specific objectives, which included; i) to examine the effects of alcoholism among youths in Makindye Division. ii) To examine how HIV/AIDS is spread among youths of Makindye Division and ii) to find if there is a sign cant relation between the effects of alcoholism and spread of HIV/AIDS among youths of Makindye Division.

The findings indicated that most respondents (48 percent) were females who are in vulnerable groups, aged between 15-18 years (52.5 percent) pertaining the class of respondents, majority had reached diploma level with a frequency of 52.5 percent and secondary with a frequency of 24.3 percent and minority were primary with a frequency of 1.4 percent followed by 12.5 percent.

The level of the effects of alcoholism was generally often with mean (3.1901) which indicated that most of respondents agreed. The level of the spread of HIV/AIDS is generally often (average mean=3.1635) they strongly agreed. And also indicated a positive e significant relationship between the level of effects of alcoholism and spread of HIV among youths (r=0.723, sig. =0.000) the more the government and Non government organizations have tried to eliminate the effects of alcoholism, the adolescents are now able to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS.

#### Conclusion

From the purpose of the study, the researcher generated the following conclusions.

#### Strengths and weaknesses

There were female respondents compared to the male, indicating a big gender gap. Most respondents had diplomas, indicating a high level of youth's qualification. With the effects of alcoholism, most of aspects were very often rarely and this was confirmed by the average mean (3.1901). This indicates a low and poor alcoholism management among youths in Makindye Division.

With the level of the spread of HIV/AIDS, one aspect was rated very rarely and this was; youths are more vulnerable to HIV/AIDS transmission (mean=2.99). This indicates that adolescents adhere to drugs.

#### To test null hypothesis of the study

The null hypothesis of a significant relation between the level of effects of alcoholism and spread among youths was rejected. A conclusion was made that an improvement in effects of alcoholism management strategies programs is likely to reduce the spread of HIV/AIDS at 95 percent level of significance.

#### Recommendations

From the findings and the conclusions of the study, the researcher recommends there is need to sanitize youths to adopt the effects of alcoholism management strategies. There is need to uplift the educational level of HIV positive adolescents since most of them had diplomas.

It is recommended that a larger sample, inclusive of female participants, covering a wider geographical area be drawn in future investigations, in order to improve the generalisability of the findings. Furthermore, the study should also include other racial groups. Interview questions must be translated into the participants" preferred language before interviews are conducted. Furthermore, in addition to face-to-face interviews, it is also recommended that participants be allowed to write down all the

other aspects that relate to the study which they difficult to express during interacting with the interviewer.

This study recommends further research undertaking regarding parental support during adolescence. In addition, this study calls for research on substance abuse monitoring devices that can be used in used in schools to curb substance behavior. Furthermore, more than one researcher could collect data in order to ensure objectivity during data analysis. Both qualitative and quantities approaches can be used to gather information about alcoholism and its impacts on the spread of HIV. By combing both approaches, I could have maximized the strength and minimized the weaknesses of each approach. This may have strengthened the results and contributed to 107 theory and knowledge (Morse, 1991). In addition, since multiple and diverse observations could be used, the study could have enriched the understanding of alcoholism problem and the spread of HIV. However, the volume of data produced, would have been immense and an extremely broad knowledge base was required to analyze it. The investigator would then have had to contract other researchers to work on the different parts of the analysis (Miles & Huberman, 1994)

#### **Policy implications**

This study recommends that a database of adolescents abusing substances be developed and such adolescents be referred to social workers for intervention. Participants indicated that drank alcoholic taverns. This evidence shows that even though law strictness is employed, some entrepreneurs do not only sell goods that are stipulated in their business licenses. This has implications for policymakers to strengthen strategies employed to implement, monitor and evaluate policies. In additions, there is need to educate entrepreneurs, tavern owners, parent's adolescents and community members in rural areas about the liquor act because they are important stake holders who may play a role in ensuring that the act is implemented. They may also assist in reporting cases of non compliance of the Liquor act by some entrepreneurs and tavern owners (Liquor Act no.59 of 2003).

This study recommends that Ugandan police service collaborate with communities through community policing Forum to address alcoholism problem among youths furthermore, youths need to be empowered through victim empowerment programs to stop abusing alcohol because they have a right to develop to the fullest and be protected from harmful use of alcohol.

#### Areas for further research

More studies can be conducted on counseling, the spread and transmission of HIV/AIDS, Anti retroviral therapy and so on.

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#### **APPENDICES**

#### Appendix I

# QUESTIONNAIRE ON EFFECTS OF ALCOHOLISM ON THE SPREAD OF HIV/AIDS AMONG YOUTHS IN MAKINDYE DIVISION

#### Dear respondents

Kindly I request you to fill for me this questionnaire, am carrying out an academic research on 'EFFECTS OF ALCOHOLISM ON THE SPREAD OF HIV/AIDS AMONG YOUTHS OF MAKINDYE DIVISION .with in this context, may I request you to participate in this study by answering the questionnaires? Kindly do not leave any option unanswered. Any data you provide shall be for academic purposes only and no information of such kind shall be disclosed to others.

May I retried the questionnaire within one week (7) days

Thank you very much in advance.

Yours faithfully,

#### **TENDO ANOLD IVAN**

#### Instruction

i) Do not write name any where ii) Tick in any appropriate box

Section A
1 (a) profile of respondents
Male
Female $\square$
(b) Age

(0)	what is your highest level education?
	1. Primary
,	2. Secondary
	3. Certificate
	4. Diploma
	5. Degree
	6. Others
d)	Marital status
i)	Married ii) single iii) Divorced IV) widowed

# Section II: QUESTIONNAIRE TO EXAMINE EFFECTS OFALCOHOLISM ON THE SPREAD OF HIV/AIDS AMONG YOUTHS IN MAKINDYE DIVISION

**Direction:** please describe the extent unto which you are hundred from accessing treatment and care on each item by using the scoring scale guide below. Kindly write your best rating in the space before each item. Be honest about your options as there is no right or wrong answers.

Score	Response	Description
4	strongly agree	you agree with no doubt at all
3	agree	you agree with some doubt
2	disagree	you disagree with doubt
1	strongly disagree	you disagree with no doubt at all

You are less able say no sex	1	2	3	4
You desire for sex after taking alcohol	1	2	3	4
You are sexually aggressive	1	2	3	4
After drinking alcohol, you forget in the night every think you have learnt during day	1	2	3	4
You are forced to trade sex as a means of getting money for alcohol	1	2	3	4
You are unable to make decisions when drunk	1	2	3	4
You have poor judgment memory	1	2	3	4
You are involved in risky sexual behaviors	1	2	3	4
You e engage in safe sex when drunk	1	2	3	4
You are sexually active when drunk	1	2	3	4
You do not fear of STD infection and that, while under the influence of	1	2	3	4
alcohol, you often have sex without considering the risk of HIV infection.				
You find it difficult to control your sexual desire	1	2	3	4

# Section III: YOUTHS.QUESTIONNAIRE TO THE SPREAD OF HIV/AIDS AMONG YOUTHS IN MAKINDYE DIVISION

**Direction:** Please describe the extent unto which preventative strategies from accessing treatment and care on each item by using the scoring scale guide below. Kindly write your best rating in the space before each item. Be honest About your options as there is no right or wrong answers.

Score	Response	Description
4	strongly agree	<ul> <li>you agree with no doubt at all</li> </ul>
3	agree	you agree with some doubt
2	disagree	you disagree with some doubt
1	strongly disagree	you disagree with no doubt at all

You are to share needles	1	2	3	4
You have multiple sexual partners			3	4
You practice safer sex	1	2	3	4
You use a condom every time you have penetrative sexual intercourse	1	2	3	4
You know your HIV/AIDS status and you tested together with your partner	1	2	3	4
You have one faithful partner	1	2	3	4
You utilize voluntary counseling and testing service at your place	1	2	3	4
Youths are more vulnerable to HIV/AIDS transmission			3	4
You have enough knowledge about how HIV/AIDs is transmitted	1	2	3	4

# Relation between effects of alcoholism and spread of hiv/aids

Variables	Computed	P-value	Interpretation	Decision on
correlated	r-value	•	of correlation	Но
Effects of				
alcoholism		,		
Spread of			·	
HIV/AIDS				

<sup>&</sup>quot;Thanks for Your Cooperation and May God Bless You"