

ANNEX C

## JC/CI - Empowered Teens (eTeens) STI (Sexually Transmitted Infection) /HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) Prevention Programme

Dear Sir/ Madam

- 1. Health Promotion Board (HPB), in collaboration with the Ministry of Health (MOH) and the Ministry of Education (MOE), will be conducting a programme titled Empowered Teens (eTeens) to educate JC/CI students about preventing STIs/HIV. The programme provides information on transmission and prevention of STIs/HIV, and helps guide students to make good life choices to avoid risky sexual behaviors.
- 2. The following topics are taught:
  - a) Infectious diseases (STIs and HIV);
  - b) Modes of transmission for STIs and HIV;
  - c) Modes of protection against infection, specifically abstinence and the correct and consistent use of condoms;
  - d) Consequences and impact STIs/HIV;
  - e) Ways of managing the impact of STIs
- 3. The programme is delivered through a 1-hour talk. A video and presentation are used to convey key learning points. The programme depicts the health, social and financial implications of STIs/HIV on an individual and the family if he/she gets infected with STIs/HIV and emphasises the importance of responsible decision-making and knowing where to seek help. Presenters are engaged by HPB and follow a presentation guide approved by MOE.
- 4. Additional information is available on the MOE website<sup>1</sup>.
- 5. If you do not wish your child/ward to attend this programme, please complete the opt-out form on page 2 of this document. For further clarifications about this programme, please email us at hpb\_yhp@hpb.gov.sg.

Yours sincerely

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://go.gov.sg/moe-sexuality-education



## eTeens Opt-out Form

Please complete this section if you DO NOT wish your child to attend the *eTeens* Programme and return it to the school.

I, (name)	, do not wish my son/daughter/ward*, (name)
of class _	, to attend the eTeens STIs/HIV Prevention Programme conducted by
the Health Promotion Board.	
My reason(s) for opting out:	
	My child is too young
	I would like to personally educate my child
	I am not comfortable with the topics/content to be covered
	Religious reasons
	I have previously taught my child the topics/content to be covered
	I do not think it is necessary for my child to attend
	Others (please state):
Signati	ure of Parent/Guardian Date