

IAAH CONGRESS 2017: PRE-CONGRESS SKILLS BUILDING WORKSHOP 9
Thursday October 26th

WORKSHOP TITLE	Conducting research with adolescents in low and middle income countries: why, what and how?
RATIONALE	Research with adolescents is essential to improve their health and well-being. Building on the recent Lancet report titled ' Our Future: A Lancet commission on adolescent health and wellbeing '; the UNICEF Office of Research – Innocenti (OoR) has commissioned seven methodological briefs which are intended to capture and summarize best-practice approaches to conducting research with adolescents in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). The briefs provide an overview of the methodological issues on research in adolescent well-being, and cover topics including indicators and data sources, research ethics, research with disadvantaged, vulnerable, and marginalized populations, participatory research, measuring the social determinants of health, and economic strengthening interventions for improving adolescent well-being. Authors of the research briefs will discuss the methodological issues when involving young people (10-24 years) in adolescent research.
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Taking place:	Morning
Training objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Define the unique methodological challenges of research with adolescent 2. Present a framework for research ethics with adolescents based upon the Convention on the Rights of the Child 3. Build understanding of the principles of Youth Participatory Research to involve adolescents in research. 4. define the challenges when Involving marginalized adolescents in research 5. Identify data sources, measurement issues, and methodological quality challenges in conducting research with adolescents.
Facilitation techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solicit methodological challenges from participants on conducting research with young people • In small groups, discuss challenges in terms of research methods and research ethics • Provide didactic and interactive presentations with powerpoint slides identifying research challenges and solutions • Small group exploration of case studies of research with adolescents which identify methodological, ethical and participatory issues