

Understand the Messages Directed to Young People

Sexual education is mandated in Ohio. RUC provides the Sexual Risk Avoidance (SRA) approach and works with twelve other SRA groups in the state to reach over 110,000 students a year in meeting this mandate. The second approach used in Ohio does not meet the mandate and is known as the Sexual Risk Reduction (SRR) approach.

Sexual <u>Risk Avoidance</u> Education (SRA)	Sexual <u>Risk Reduction</u> Education (SRR)
Taught by RUC and the Ohio Adolescent Health Centers (OAHC)*	Taught by Planned Parenthood and Family Planning groups
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (SRA) (Abstinence Education)	<u>Comprehensive</u> Sex Education (CSE) Sexual Risk Reduction (SRR)
Encourages saving all sexual activity for marriage	Encourages students to wait until they are ready
Encourages marriage - one partner for life	Does not encourage marriage
Encourages healthy marriage and healthy families	Does not mention marriage or families. Discusses gender issues
Promotes Life Success Sequencing, healthy whole person development and optimal health	Promotes use of contraception. A healthy relationship is defined as one that uses contraception and is consensual
Outcome: Optimal health, less poverty, less teen pregnancy and births and healthier marriage and families.	Outcome: Pregnancy out-of-wedlock, abortion, single parenting, increased risk of poverty and less healthy families

Names of SRA curricula developed and used in Ohio:

1. Constructing Safe Relationships (RUC)
2. Choices Matter (Maximum Freedom)
3. For Keeps (Operation Keepsake)
4. Go For the Gold (Elizabeth's New Life Center)
5. Relationships Under Construction (RUC)
6. RSVP, Responsible Social Values Program (Alliance For Healthy Youth)

Names of some SRR curricula used in Ohio:

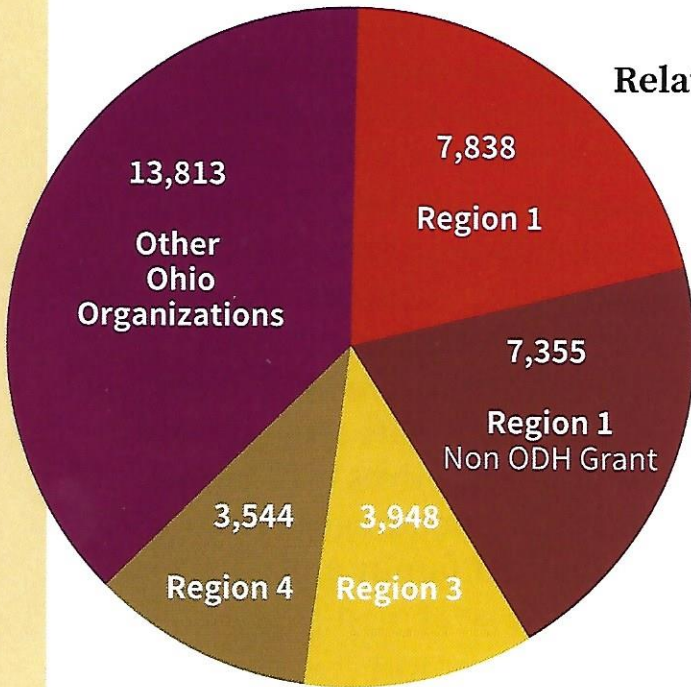
1. Making a Difference, Cuyahoga County District Board of Health
2. Reducing the Risk, Ohio Department of Health
3. Draw the Line/Respect the Line, Cuyahoga County District Board of Health
4. All4You!, Cuyahoga County District Board of Health

*Ohio Adolescent Health Centers is a collaboration of ten organizations who are funded under one grant from the Ohio Department of Health for which the fiscal agent and awardee of the grant is Relationships Under Construction. This collaboration has served over 85,000 students per year for the past two years.

"I liked the way it swayed my thinking about sex in marriage. I think the presentation was well put together and very enlightening."

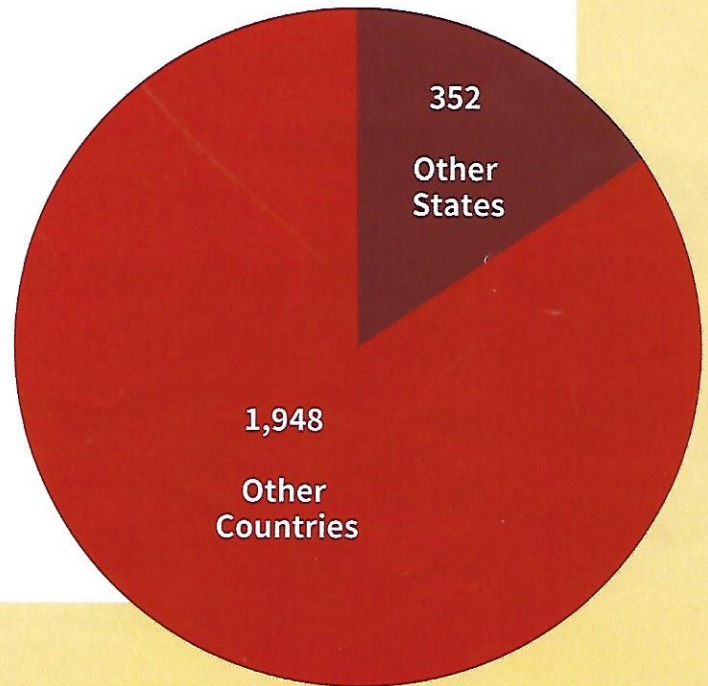
MALE
12th Grade
Richland
County

With your help, we served more students!



Relationships Under Construction reached 38,827 students that we can count. We do not always receive reports from everyone, but these are the numbers reported for the 2017/18 school year. RUC directly served 22,685 students in our 32 counties in Ohio. Another 13,813 students were served by other organizations in Ohio who teach RUC.

We documented 352 students in other states even though we know there were many more and 1,948 students in other countries. New instructors attending RUC trainings totaled 84 with 12 of them in other countries and 72 in the USA.



FEMALE
8th Grade
Athens
County

"I liked that someone actually cares enough about the youth to teach this. I learned that you can't change the past but you can better yourself for the future."