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## Abstract

The purpose of this study was to investigate depression, anxiety and self esteem in relation with sleep patterns among teenage students. A total of 100 teenage students were selected to take part in this study. It was carried out at two schools namely; Green Hill Academy and Muyenga High School.

Teenage students who are depressed may show loss of interest, feelings of low self worth, have disturbed sleep and poor concentration. The study inculcates all those in authority, parents and concerned citizens about why we should be concerned about the teenage students' sleep patterns. We should know that sleep affects a teenage student's depression, anxiety and self esteem.

Eighty seven percent slept less than the recommended 8 hours per night while sixty eight percent slept for less than six hours per night on average seven percent of the students probably had severe depression. Fifty percent of students probably had very low anxiety compared to fifteen percent who had severe anxiety.

Eighty seven percent of the students had very good self esteem compared to the thirteen percent who had low levels. The null hypothesis that stated that there was no significant relationship between self esteem and sleep patterns was rejected thus concluding that there is significant relationship between self esteem and sleep patterns among teenage students.

Looking at how many students had moderate scores, on all the variables especially for sleep patterns and depression, there is a possibility that in the next ten years, the majority of students will have severe conditions if no precautions are undertaken by those in authority.

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