

Family Planning Queensland urges better sex education

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Family Planning Queensland says most schools in the state do not provide adequate sex education to their students.

A new study has revealed 82 per cent of Queensland parents support the provision of comprehensive school-based sex education, and most parents feel it can reduce the incidences of sex abuse.

Family Planning's head of education services, Cecelia Gore, says the Education Department needs to help schools feel comfortable about teaching the facts of life.

"Most schools don't feel supported, most teachers don't feel supported and so the rest of it's very ad hoc and very patchy," she said.

"Sex education is in the curriculum, it's not an add on, it's something that's already supposed to be happening, and more than 80 per cent of parents want schools to be providing a comprehensive sexuality education to their children."

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