5.4 APPENDICES

5.4.1 Appendix 1

Subject information sheet

My name is Petunia Reabetsoe Lenono (Masters in Clinical Psychology student) from the University of the Witwatersrand. This research project is a prerequisite for the conferment my Masters degree. I am conducting a study on the loveLife adolescent counselors’ perceptions on the impact of HIV and AIDS on the sexuality of the adolescent. The research is part of the bigger HIV and AIDS project which researches the psychosocial impacts of HIV and AIDS on the society. This bigger HIV and AIDS project is headed by Professor Norman Duncan, in the discipline of Psychology at the University of the Witwatersrand and seeks to investigate the psychosocial impacts of HIV and AIDS on the society. Since this is the beginning of the project, I’m required to conduct my study with the key informants so as to provide an idea of what may be expected later when dealing directly with the youth. I am hereby asking for your participation in the study.

The research aims to explore the attitudes of the adolescent towards HIV and AIDS and also to further explore the practices of sexual abstinence, being faithful to one sexual partner, and condomising- by the adolescent.

Your participation will be appreciated. If you do agree to participate in the study, your participation will involve taking part in an audio-taped interview which will take approximately an hour and a half to two hours, of your time. The tapes will be kept in a safe place. You will not be required to state your identifying details.
Your participation is voluntary. You have the right to refuse to participate as well as to withdraw from partaking in the interview at any point you wish without any penalty whatsoever.

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5.4.2 Appendix 2

Interview schedule

Biographical information

Age
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Qualifications
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How long have you worked at loveLife?...........................................................................

Why have you decided to work with the adolescent?
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5.4.3 Appendix 3

Consent form

I ………………………………………………..(full name), voluntarily agree to participate in the study of the impacts of the HIV and AIDS on the sexuality of the adolescent. I have been fully informed and understand the procedures in this study. I am aware of the purpose of the study. I understand that the information I shall be giving will be treated with confidentiality. I am also aware about my rights to withdraw from the study at any time without negative consequence to me, whatsoever.

Sign ………………………………… Date …………………... 
Witness …………………………… Date …………………..
5.4.4 Appendix 4

Tape recording consent form

I ......................................................... (full name), voluntarily give consent for my interview to be tape-recorded. I have read, understood and fully agree to conditions of this interview. I am also aware of how the recorded information will be utilized.

Sign ................................................. Date .................................

Witness ........................................... Date .................................
5.4.5 Appendix 5

Interview guide

- Are the South African adolescents knowledgeable about HIV and AIDS?
- What do adolescents think HIV and AIDS is, and how is it spread?
- What are the general attitudes of adolescents towards HIV and AIDS?
- How is HIV and AIDS impacting on the sexuality of adolescents?
- What impact will the HIV and AIDS pandemic have on the psychosocial well-being of the adolescent by the year 2010?
- Are the current intervention strategies effective enough, in preventing the spread of HIV AND AIDS?
- What are the critical issues that have to be researched in respect of the impact of HIV and AIDS on the female adolescent if appropriate responses to the pandemic are to be formulated?