

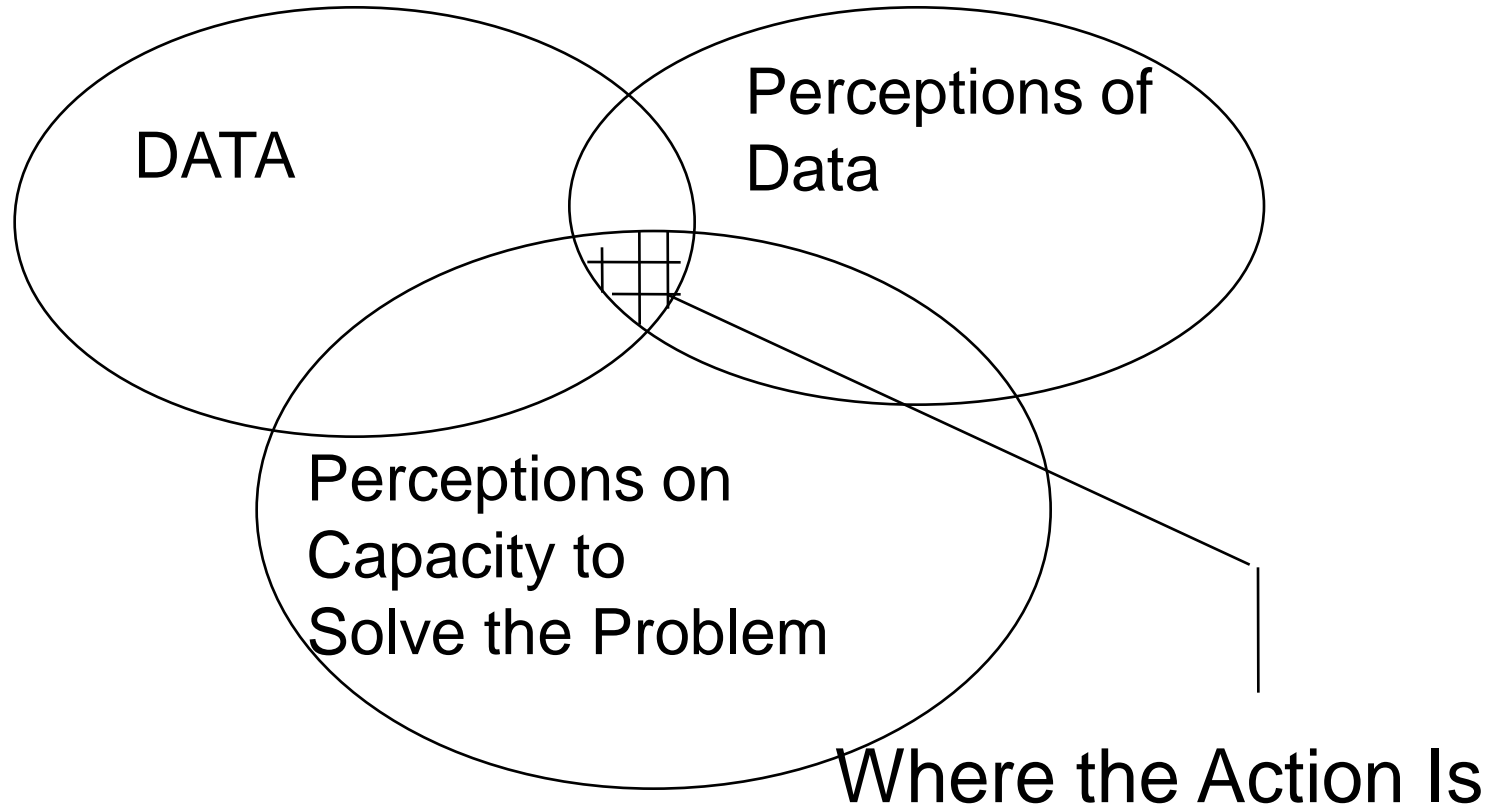
Lincoln County  
Community Health  
Improvement Partnership  
and Public Health Advisory

Teen Pregnancy  
Adolescent Sexual Health  
Lincoln County, Oregon

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# CHIP Process

## Making Something Happen



# Teen Pregnancy Rate In Lincoln County per 1,000 females

Ages 15-17

Ages 18-19

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| ● 2003 | 21.6 | 100.  |
| ● 2004 | 21.3 | 105.6 |
| ● 2005 | 30.6 | 85.7  |

Poverty rates, high school drop out rates, teen use of birth control, age at becoming sexually active, STDs, drug and alcohol use

# Conceptual shifts



- 44% or 684 of high school teens age 15 and older are engaged in sexual activity
- Historically, we have focused on prevention of negative outcomes
- Positive sexual health



# Relevance of teen pregnancy

- A teen parent is going to be poor, less educated, providing less supportive home life for children and teen pregnancy will cost the U.S. \$9.1 billion each year.

# Evidence Based Program



- School Curriculum
- Abstinence Programs
- Parent/teen communication
- Video and computer based instruction
- Comprehensive community programs that boost self esteem and provide students with the idea there is hope for their futures
- Public health clinics
  - increase the use of contraception among sexually active teens
  - decreases sexual activity (fewer partners)
  - it does not hasten the onset of sexual

# Comprehensive Programs for L. County (Evidence based, community supported)

- Media outreach
- Implement a teen/parent communication program
- Support STARS
- Support Teen Parents
- Support mentoring programs
- Implement service learning
- Implement teen theatre
- Support school district sex education programs
- Support SBHCs teen reproductive health program along with dispensing birth control