## Gender in the 2003 Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey

Gender roles and customs in Nigeria affect women's health and welfare. Women have less access to education and employment than men. Women who have little decision-making power are less likely to receive appropriate antenatal care or delivery assistance. Women are also less knowledgeable about HIV prevention.

## Women and HIV/AIDS

## Knowledge of AIDS and HIV Prevention



- 49 percent of women have never discussed HIV/AIDS with their partner.
-30 percent of men say that a woman has no right to tell a man to wear a condom.
-84 percent of women believe that a wife can refuse to have sex with her husband if he has a sexually transmitted infection.


## Measures of Empowerment




Women's Participation in Decisionmaking



Female Circumcision


66 percent of women and 63 percent of men think that female circumcision should be discontinued.

Empowerment and Women's Health


Contraceptive Use by Justification of Wife Beating


Antenatal Care from a Health Professional by Women's Decisionmaking Power


Number of decisions in which woman participates

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