

Condom machines
should be permitted
on campus



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An increasing number of students is having sexual intercourse in campus dormitories, thus increasing the need for condom machines to be placed on campus grounds. First and most importantly, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has reported that 47.4% of students have had at least one encounter of sexual intercourse during their terms of study with only 38.6% of them having used any form of protection. This could result in an increased risk of contracting sexually transmitted diseases (STD) such as syphilis, gonorrhea and the most fatal of all, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS). In 2009, an estimated 5,259 young adults (aged 17-24) were diagnosed with AIDS, and the numbers are still increasing over the years. Second, 21.6% of students engaged in sexual intercourse after consuming alcohol or drugs at college parties.

This could result in a higher percentage of students having unprotected sex, and it could also expose them to higher risks of catching STDs if they have sex with unknown partners. Finally, having unprotected sex could also result in unwanted pregnancies. Tunette Powell, a bright college student who used to do very well in school, saw a plummeting in her results due to the stress from her unwanted pregnancy. She eventually had to drop out of school because she was not able to focus on her studies anymore, thus limiting her qualifications.

It is almost impossible to prevent sexual interactions between college students staying in campus hostels, but by placing condom machines on site, it will help to promote safe sex and at the same time greatly reduce the chances of acquiring STDs and unwanted pregnancies.

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