

TABLE 2. Number of observations in which topics were covered by health educators in group educational sessions, according to site

Topic	San Salvador, El Salvador	San Miguel, El Salvador	Managua, Nicaragua
PREGNANCY AND STI INFORMATION			
1 Discussed the woman's risk of STIs and HIV	4	4	3
2 Discussed the woman's risk of becoming pregnant	3	4	2
3 Discussed the basic facts of HIV and AIDS (e.g., HIV is the virus that causes AIDS. There is no cure for AIDS.)	4	4	3
4 Discussed using contraceptives (not including condoms) to prevent pregnancy	4	4	1
5 Referred woman to places where she could get a contraceptive method (not including condoms)	4	3	3
6 Discussed dual method use (using a condom along with another method to prevent STIs, HIV and pregnancy)	3	4	3
7 Discussed being tested and treated for STIs	4	4	4
8 Made referral to STI testing site	4	4	3
9 Discussed getting tested for HIV	4	4	1
10 Made referral to voluntary counseling and testing site (for HIV)	4	4	1
MALE CONDOM INFORMATION			
11 Asked if woman is always able to use male condoms with new clients	3*	4	1
12 Asked if woman is always able to use male condoms consistently with regular clients	3*	4	1
13 Asked if woman is always able to use male condoms with nonpaying partners such as boyfriends and husbands	3*	4	1
14 Offered the woman male condoms	4	4	3
FEMALE CONDOM INFORMATION			
15 Stated female condom is an alternative when male condoms are not used	3*	4	2
16 Discussed ways to negotiate female condom with partner	3*	4	3
17 Discussed benefits of female condom use	3*	4	3
18 Mentioned that female condom can be used without partner knowledge	3*	4	2
19 Mentioned that female condom can be used when partner is under the influence of drugs or alcohol	3*	4	1
20 Mentioned that female condoms are made of polyurethane, not latex	4	3*	1
21 Mentioned that female condoms are thin but really strong	4	4	2
22 Mentioned that female condoms come in one size only and fit all women	4	4	2
23 Encouraged woman to practice inserting the female condom before using it with a partner	4	4	1
24 Explained that after practice many women find the female condom easy to insert	4	4	2
25 Mentioned that inner ring of the female condom goes above pubic bone	4	4	2
26 Mentioned that woman can feel inner ring if the female condom is not inserted correctly	4	4	1
27 Mentioned that if pain or discomfort is felt, the female condom is not inserted correctly	4	4	1*
28 Mentioned that the outer ring of the female condom remains outside the vagina	4	4	2
29 Mentioned that the penis goes into the female condom	4	4	2
30 Mentioned that the woman must use a new female condom for each sex act	4	4	3
31 Mentioned that lubricants can be used with female condoms	4	4	4
32 Mentioned that female condoms can make sex enjoyable because they heat up during use	2	0	1
33 Mentioned that female condoms can be inserted up to eight hours before having sex	1	0	1
34 Mentioned that female condoms can prevent pregnancy if always used	3	4	2
35 Mentioned that female condoms can reduce the risk of STIs and HIV if always used	4	4	3
36 Asked if the woman had questions about female condoms	4	4	1
37 Offered the woman female condoms	4	4	1

*Missing one observation.