

CHILD
RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM
2015
SAINT LUCIA'S
EXPERIENCE



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“Promoting the Mental Health and Wellbeing of Children”



Concluding Observation of CRC Committee

- ▶ **Conduct programmes and awareness-raising activities to promote the meaningful and empowered participation of all children within the family, the community and schools, including within student council bodies, with particular attention to boys and children in vulnerable situations.**

TOPICS PRESENTED

- ▶ ***The adequacy of the legislation on child protection in St. Lucia.***
- ▶ **Saint Lucia Through the Eyes of the Youth**
- ▶ ***To Be or Not to Be***

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- ▶ ***Poor Role Modelling by our leaders: The Cause of Youths Negative Behaviour***
 - ▶ **The use of social media as an instrument of abuse**

FORMAT OF SYMPOSIUM

- ▶ **FORMAL RESEARCH**
 - ▶ **SKITS**
 - ▶ **DRAMA**
- ▶ **VIDEO PRESENTATIONS**

PANEL DISCUSSION



REPRESENTATIVE SCHOOLS



FORMAL PRESENTATION



DRAMA PRSENTATION



Conclusions

- ▶ **Students requested that this become an annual activity.**
- ▶ **Young persons talking to young person – Social media abuse.**
- ▶ **Young persons did not share the same views on corporal punishment: some young persons supported corporal punishment.**
- ▶ **Need for Sensitization to end corporal punishment not just among adults but also with the young persons**