PS1 for 4/14/88#NEW BOOKLET ON AIDS AND ADOLESCENTS

The Center for Population Options (CPO) has published a new booklet called ""AIDS and Adolescents.'' It is a blockbuster because it reveals the social goals of this outfit which is lavishly funded by the Carnegie, Mellon, Ford, Rockefeller, and Stewart Mott foundations.

The booklet proves that the Center is not only promoting teenage behavior that many (if not most) Americans consider immoral, but that it is doing it openly with taxpayers' money in taxpayer-supported schools. The booklet confirms that the Center enthusiastically supports school-based clinics to dispense condoms to promiscuous teenagers.

The goal of the Center for Population Options is to get ALL teenagers carrying condoms all the time. It's just that simple, and the booklet is just that blunt: ""If all teenagers carry condoms, they would be prepared for situations where 'it just happened.' ''

The Center's booklet reveals that, ""in some schools, students can't pass their health class without buying a condom.'' Most parents would be surprised to discover this radical new requirement for graduation!

A secondary goal seems to be to eliminate all privacy, and even decency, about sexuality. The booklet insists that sexuality teachers should use descriptive language and/or slang about sex acts and body parts, not use more modest expressions such as ""private parts'' or ""body fluids.''

Stating that clinics for teenagers are ""a logical site for massive condom distribution campaigns,'' the CPO booklet urges clinics to ""display condoms in a creative, attractive manner.'' It praises a San Francisco clinic that offers ""a trial six pack of different condoms,'' a Maryland clinic that offers ""three for free,'' and a Georgia clinic that is trying to distribute half a million condoms a

year.

The CPO booklet urges leaders not to tolerate any ""homophobic comments'' or remarks that blame anyone for AIDS. The booklet urges teachers to be respectful about homosexual youth and to use values clarification techniques to make them comfortable in the classroom.

One of the most important tasks for leaders, according to the CPO booklet, is ""to discuss safer sex'' with teens. Here are a few examples of what the CPO booklet describes as exemplary lesson techniques.

""In Thailand, school children make a game of blowing up condoms like balloons and at the same time get used to handling and talking about condoms. In Hong Kong and Mexico, clear plastic keyrings that encase a condom are distributed to teens [that] read, 'In case of emergency, break glass!' In a Swedish government poster on AIDS, teen males are encouraged to practice masturbating with a condom in place.''

The CPO booklet urges what it calls ""creative ideas for encouraging condom use among teens.'' This includes roleplaying among adolescents in order to eliminate their natural modesty and ""encourage communication about condoms and safer sex,'' homework assignments for teens to go into a store and buy condoms, and a ""condom couplet contest'' in which students are required to develop two-line rhymes promoting condom use.

The CPO booklet admits that, in a group of 16 year olds, half of the young people are likely to be virgins. The Center's instructions, however, show no sensitivity toward virtuous teenagers. They are just expected to endure explicit talk about intimate topics and to respect promiscuous behavior as just another lifestyle.

The CPO booklet admits candidly that ""AIDS education cannot be value free because of its connection with the most intimate part of

people's lives.'' That is, indeed, true.

So, what is the ""value'' that the Center for Population Options is teaching? According to this booklet, it is the philosophy of ""compassion and respect for a diversity of individual and family values,'' and the availability of ""services'' to facilitate diverse behaviors.

That clearly means putting teenage abstinence, promiscuity, and homosexuality on a par, and it means providing teenagers with information and services to indulge in any of those behaviors.

Under the Center's philosophy, however, some teachings are not acceptable. One is the idea that it is good, right, healthy, and smart to remain sexually abstinent until marriage, and another is that homosexuality is wrong or has anything to do with AIDS.