Raw, Real Talk on Everything Young Parenting: The YUP! Podcast

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After viewing this presentation, participants will be able to:

- Identify three challenges faced by young parents
- Understand how young parents can be engaged to help develop and lead programs
- Describe the steps to launch a podcast

What is YUP!?

- A free mobile health website cocreated with young parents to support young parents
- Videos and articles made by young parents and experts
- Easy to use goal tool
- Profiles, discussions, and community features
- Daily affirmations and tips



What are the unique experiences and challenges of young parents?



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Findings from our research with young parents

Young parents...

- 1. are proud, strong, and resilient
- 2. have often experienced ACEs and traumas
- 3. are goal oriented and motivated
- 4. have different levels of support
- 5. often experience social isolation and stigma
- 6. want to learn and get support from other young parents
- 7. actively seek out information on parenting
- 8. want more information about sexual and reproductive health
- 9. need programs that engage young fathers and mothers

Why did we create the YUP! podcast?

- To highlight the unique experiences and challenges faced by young parents
- To humanize and destigmatize the experiences of young parents
- To create more "live" interactions with the YUP! Community
- Currently no podcasts for young parents exist (let alone, created by them)



Developing Podcast Topics

- Hear from your target audience when developing topics
- Identify guests who have experience with the topics

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smoking
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single making legal unwanted identity dating/romance expectations postpartum guilt creating weed ppd depression crisis childcare tips disciplining
shame home child anxiety regulation friends childs dos young judgment daycare shame/mental health trauma parent systems
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Current and Future Podcast Topics

- Pregnancy
- Birth story
- Mom guilt
- Parenting after being in foster care
- Family Planning
- Single Parenting

- Parenting while in school
- Co-parenting
- Dating
- Agency partnerships
- Overstimulation
- •And more!

Steps to Starting a Podcast

Draft Goals

- What do you want to achieve with the podcast?
- Who is the target audience?
- How will you differentiate your podcast from the many other podcasts in the market?

Develop a Plan

- How much will it cost?
- Who are potential partners?
- What platforms will you use to record, edit, and post episodes?
- How long will each episode be and how often will you post them?



Podcast Checklist

- ☐ Find a recording platform (i.e Riverside)
- ☐ Gather equipment (mic, computer, lighting, etc.)
- ☐ Create a name/tag line
- □ Develop an intro/outro
- Identify topics
- ☐ Invite guests
- Prepare talking points
- Record and edit!
- □ Develop promotional plan





Challenges

- Technical difficulties!
- Storage of large files
- Internet connection and video quality
- Guest sound quality
- Keeping the recording conversational and redirecting guests
- Editing takes time

Lessons Learned

- Trust yourself!
- Be flexible and allow conversation to flow
- Always be prepared with guiding questions
- Record on a platform that can recover lost recordings
- Bloopers are okay!

Meet the Hosts



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Parent at 21



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Parent at 16

Let's watch a teaser!



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