

Changing Political Masculinities



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TOOL B4: CHANGES IN MASCULINITIES

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By the end of the session, participants will have:

- Explored generational changes in the social expectations of manhood and their implications for changing patriarchal masculinities.



Social expectations of manhood

- Provider: the ability to materially provide for the family.
- Procreator: the ability to sexually attract women, procreate and be a father.
- Protector: the ability to protect the family and community.

Generational change

- Social expectations of manhood for our grandfathers' generation were probably different in some ways than they are for us, or for our sons.

Positive change toward ending patriarchal masculinities

- Understanding how social expectations of manhood have changed in the past can help us to identify ways to change ideas about and practices of masculinity now and for the future