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Sexual and Reproductive Health in contemporary Easter Island: vulnerability and potential for public health

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Easter Island belongs to Chile politically is also heir to the ancient Polynesian culture and maintains permanent contact with her; both their chances of development as its fragility common to the status of other islands. This is observable in the vast field of sexual and reproductive health, which combines a wealth of ancient and modern practices and knowledge on the topic, with a situation of vulnerability and risk increasing and we find ourselves today with a disturbing scenario of disease.

A series of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) bring into several moments of contemporary history at-risk population stability of the Rapa Nui people, and particularly worrisome today is the global epidemic of HIV/AIDS, all of which have an impact on the concepts of body care, sexual practices and the way to be understood as a community and with foreign "".

This paper from reviewing the medical anthropology, some features of this phenomenon, referring to the medical system rapanui in this area, the epidemiological history of its exposure, and their cultural and social impact, emphasizing the main axes and challenges has public health today in this regard.

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