

LECTURE FOUR:

DISORDERS OF REPRODUCTION CAUSED BY ENVIRONMENTAL RISK AND HAZARDS

MODULE I
BASICS IN REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Recognize and understand the different types of male and female reproductive disorders.
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1. Environmental risks

Everything that is not me" or "Everything that surrounds anything" or All the physical, chemical, biological, and social factors that may affect the origin, growth, development, and survival of an organism in a given setting is known as environment.

The environmental impact on human health may stem either from "traditional risks," which are normally associated with low levels of socioeconomic development, or "modern risks," which tend to be associated with development processes that damage the environment. The changing pattern of environmental risks that have impact on health, characterized by a shift from traditional to modern risks progresses, is known as "the risk transition" .The transition from traditional to modern risks may be affected by the emergence of new diseases (such as AIDS), the presence of diseases in areas where they have never existed (often as a result of a change in the environment), or the reemergence of diseases that were thought to be under control. An example of this latter phenomenon is the reemergence of tuberculosis in certain areas, due, among other things, to poverty, overcrowding, and resistance to the treatments commonly administered.