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**Abstract**

Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) also called female circumcision is a fundamental violation of human rights. The study looked at a communication for development model, ACADA model. The paper examined the application of ACADA model in addressing the issue of FGM. The paper therefore suggested that more influence would be made in the crusade against FGM if communication channels (Mass media) could be used to focus more on creating awareness and knowledge about the negative health consequences.