

Early marriage

- can lead to low self-esteem and confidence.
- can keep you from staying in school.
- can disrupt your social life.

According to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, every child has the right to life, development, protection, and participation.

No one under the age of 18 can be forced into marriage.

GET INFORMED ON YOUR RIGHTS



**YOU CAN CALL
112 or 183
CALL CENTERS
for support**

<https://www.sagligim.gov.tr/ergen-sagligi>

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RIGHT PLACE, QUALITY SERVICES

Contact the nearest **Migrant Health Centre** for more information and support

 www.sihhatproject.org     [sihhatproject](https://www.youtube.com/sihhatproject)



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EARLY AND FORCED MARRIAGE





Early marriage refers to a marriage that is officiated before the completion of physical and mental development, i.e. usually under the age of 18. **Early marriage leads to a number of issues, the primary consequence being pregnancy.**

Impact of early marriage on physical health

Persons engaged in an early marriage are, in fact, individuals that are physically not ready for marriage or premature pregnancy.

- Risk of sexually transmitted infections
- Risk of low birth weight and infant mortality
- Risk of maternal mortality during childbirth



Impact of early marriage on mental health

Persons engaged in an early marriage are, in fact, psychologically not ready for marriage or premature pregnancy.

- Risk of physical and sexual violence
- Risk of increased psychological problems due to marital responsibilities, disrupted social life and being out of school, etc.

