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SEREMBAN: The Health Ministry will expand the Healthy Programme Without AIDS for Youth (Prostar) nationwide in an effort to further educate youths (13-25 years) on HIV/Aids.

Deputy Health Minister Datuk Rosnah Shirlin Abdul Rashid Shirlin said the ministry would upgrade Prostar service centres and use a new approach in the effort.

"So far there are 104 Prostar clubs and 14 service centres, with 3,500 volunteers nationwide. It is a relatively small number, so we want

to increase participation of youths in Prostar.

"This move will be a breath of fresh air for the programme and will be discussed in detail at the ministry level," she told reporters after launching a programme in conjunction with World Aids Day 2009 at

Kampung Baru Sri Sikamat, here yesterday.

She said what was interesting about the Prostar programme was that it directly trained volunteers not only on issues regarding HIV/Aids, but also other health matters.
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