

Community Assessment Survey

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Introduction

My name is _____ and I come from CARE and I am working on a joint project with CDC in Atlanta.

In the implementation of many development projects, people don't return to get/ hear your suggestions/ requests about the progress of plans. We have come here to learn from you about community plans for reproductive health and other development plans that are being implemented in your village.

What we will talk about in our discussion will take one hour and this information will not be shared. You do not have to tell us anything that you don't want to tell us, and you can skip any questions if you want. We will not write your name down or tell anyone how you answered the questions. I ask your permission.

Can we start? Are you ready?

Date: _____ Assessment team: _____

Village: _____ Ward: _____ Division _____

I. COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR HEALTH INITIATIVES

The 10 respondents should meet the following criteria

No.	Type	Criteria
1.	Female community leader	Any member of community government
2.	Woman of reproductive age	Resides outside of village centre, aged more than 30 years

3.	Woman of reproductive age	Resides outside of village centre, aged 30 years or less
4.	Male community leader	Either Chairman or VEO
5.	Male community leader	Sungu Sungu leader
6.	Male community leader	Sub-village leader
7.	Man of reproductive age	Resides outside of village centre, aged more than 30 years
8.	Man of reproductive age	Resides outside of village centre, aged 30 years or less
9.	Key informant	Most active village health worker
10.	Key informant	Government extension worker (teacher, clinician, agriculture, community development officer)

Respondent type (enter number corresponding to above) _____

Does a maternal health Surveillance system exists in your village?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

How are the data used?

- Given to the dispensary
- Given to the village leadership
- Kept by the VHW_____ describe how it is used_____

In a health emergency how do people get to a health facility?
(Write down everything a person says)

Does this village have an emergency transport system for getting people to a health facility?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

If no, then skip to question X.

If yes what is it? _____ (Check all that apply)

- Fund
- Canoe
- Tricycle
- Vehicle (e.g., car, bus, moped)
- Oxcart
- Multiple (e.g., tricycle, oxcart)
- Stretcher
- Something else, please describe_____

How long has this system been available?

- 1 year
- 1-2 years
- more than 2 years
- unsure

Who maintains it?

Who has used the emergency transport?

- Pregnant women
- people from the village who need to go to a health facility

How many people have used it in the past year?

_____ number of pregnant women _____ number of other people

Do people pay money to use the transport system each time?

- Yes
- No (if yes, record the amount)

_____ Shillings per use for people from the village

_____ Shillings per use for people outside of the village

Have you ever attended a community meeting? If yes, continue, if no thank respondent for participation.

Who generally attends meetings in this community?

- Men
- Women
- Children
- visitors from outside the village

Thinking about the last meeting you went to, can you think about who generated ideas and how much sharing went on during the meeting? (Please circle the persons and then amount of sharing)

Group (circle)	Degree of sharing (circle) Defined as the amount or number of times they spoke?		
Leaders	Low	Medium	High
Visitors from outside	Low	Medium	High
Men	Low	Medium	High
Women	Low	Medium	High
Youth	Low	Medium	High
VHWs	Low	Medium	High

In your last meeting, describe some things that came up and the way decisions were made? (Write down the issues that came up such as a need to build a community water tank)

Probe further and then tick one of these below.

- Voting
- Consensus (discussion)
- Leaders make the decisions

Tell us your opinion about this method of decision making.

Please describe how you feel about each of these statements.

Village leaderships is responsive to my concerns	Disagree	Agree	Not sure	Comment
When decisions are made during the village meetings, I think that my opinions are counted				
People in the village are concerned about each other				
We take care of people who are in need				
I feel like I am an important member of my village				
Villagers provide help to others in times of need				
No-one cares about anyone in this community				

During the last meeting you attended, can you please share an example of an issue that was discussed and steps developed to address it-interviewer should be careful not to shape answers- it is ok if no steps were taken to address an issue it may be that it was discussed but left unresolved...(please write down everything the respondent says.)

III. Village health workers

Please describe the types of things the village health workers do in your village?

Do the village health workers get paid?

- Yes
- No

How often do they get paid?

- Monthly
- Yearly
- Sometimes

Where does the money come from?

Are they also paid in other ways? (E.g. help around their home, food or other items?)

What impacts do think their work has on the community?