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STUDY ON ABORTION AND POSTABORTION CARE

SURVEY OF HEALTH FACILITIES IN UGANDA, 2013		
CONSENT My name is and I am working with the Makerere University School of Public Health. The School in conjuction with the Guttmacher Institute, a USA research organization, is conducting a national study to assess post-abortion care. We would like to ask for your cooperation in getting a better picture of the situation in Uganda. The research will provide information about reproductive health care and will contribute to the improvement of maternal health in Uganda and beyond.		
Your health facility has been randomly selected to be part of this study. Your responses about care provided in your facility will be completely confidential and will be used for research purposes only. No personal reference will be made to your participation in this study. Participating in this survey poses little if any risk. Your responses and those of other health providers in Uganda will be used to describe the general picture of abortion care in Uganda. This interview will take at least an hour of your time.		
While we would like to note that your expertise and experience make your participation critical and your views valuable to us, we would also like to emphasize that your participation is absolutely voluntary and that you are at liberty to terminate the interview at any time. Although we expect that the results of this study will help improve the nation's health care system, there will be no direct financial benefit to you personally.		
Do you agree to proceed with the interview?		
AGREE		
DO NOT AGREE		
Reason for refusal:		
Thank you		

	Health Facility Information
001	HEALTH FACILITY NAME:
002	PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
003	COUNTY:
004	DISTRICT:
005	LOCATION: URBAN
006	TYPE OF HEALTH FACILITY HOSPITAL HEALTH CENTER IV HEALTH CENTER III PRIVATE MIDWIFE 1 4
007	OWNERSHIP Public/Government
800	INTERVIEWER'S NAME:
009	INTERVIEWER'S CODE:
010	TIME STARTED:hrmin TIME ENDED:hrmin
011	D D M M Y Y Y Y DATE OF INTERVIEW:
012	INTERVIEW OUTCOME:
	Please specify why the interview is not complete
	Interviewer observations:

Module I: Background Information		
	Questions and Instructions	Responses, Codes and Filters
101	What is your official position [profession] at this facility? [Interviewer: DO NOT PROMPT. Circle the category that applies to the respondent.] Nurse = Enrolled and registered nurses Trained midwife = Enrolled and registered midwives Comprehensive nurse = Enrolled and registered comprehensive nurses	OB-GYN 1 Medical Officer/GP 2 Clinical Officer 3 Trained Midwife 4 Nurse 5 Comprehensive nurse 6 Nurse Aide 7 Other (Specify) 96
102	Respondent's sex	Male
103	How old are you?	Years
104	What is your highest professional/academic qualification you have completed? [Interviewer: Read the categories if necessary.]	Certificate 1 Diploma 2 Degree 3 Post graduate 4 Other (Specify) 96
105	Whats your main responsibility at this facility? [Interviewer: Read the categories if necessary.]	Facility administrator
106	How many years have you worked in your current primary profession? [Interviewer: If less than 1 year, fill 00]	Years
107	How many years have you worked in your primary profession IN THIS FACILITY? [Interviewer: If less than 1 year, fill 00]	Years
108	Which units/departments does this facility have? [Interviewer: READ out all categories. Multiple responses are allowed]	Outpatient (ambulatory) 1 Inpatient unit 1 Operating room/theater 1 Evacuation room 1 Gynaecological Ward 1 Labor Ward 1 Maternity Ward 1 MCH/FP unit 1 Intensive care unit (ICU) 1 Emergency ward 1 Laboratory 1 Pharmacy 1 Other (specify) 96

109	Which of the following women's reproductive health services does this facility provide? [Interviewer: Read out all categories. Multiple responses are allowed]	OB-GYN specialists/consultants
110	How many beds does this facility have in total?	Beds
111	How many people in this facility are trained to provide PAC services?	Staff [If '0' Skip to Module 2]
112	Is a staff member trained in PAC available to attend to patients rarely, sometimes, or always? [If respondent notes that staff members have different availability, take the answer for the staff member that is MOST available.]	Rarely

Module II: Postabortion Care

Now, I would like to ask you some questions regarding medical care for abortion patients treated at this facility, regardless of whether the abortion was spontaneous or induced. I will also ask about the number of patients that are treated for abortion complications at this facility. By abortion complications, we are referring to those complications that are severe enough to need treatment in a health facility. Abortion complications include not only extremely serious cases such as sepsis or a perforated uterus, but also those cases which are termed "incomplete abortions." Incomplete abortions are usually identified by heavy bleeding, and present a somewhat less severe health risk to the woman, but still need treatment at a health facility. In answering the following set of questions concerning abortion complications, please keep this definition in mind.

[Interviewer: Note that the abortion complication questions refer to both spontaneous and induced abortions. You should repeat this as often as possible while completing this section.] 201 a. Normally (Generally), about how many deliveries take place at your 1 Deliveries per month facility each month? [Interviewer: Ask for the total number in the year 2012, 2 Total number of deliveries during the 2012 in case respondent can't answer per month] calendar year b. Out of this number, about how many are still births? [If no still births are represented, write in '0.'] Yes...... 1 \rightarrow [Go to Q202 part b.] 202 a. Does this facility treat women with spontaneous or induced \rightarrow [Go to Q208] abortion? b. In which sections of this health facility are post-abortion Outpatient ward/Recovery room..... patients treated? Operating Room..... Evacuation Room..... Gyneacological ward..... Labor Ward..... [Interviewer: Read out the list of wards and circle all that apply] Maternity ward..... General female ward..... Intensive care unit (ICU)..... Emergency room..... Other (specify) 203 In this facility, are post-abortion care patients treated as Outpatient only 1 outpatients (they don't spend the night in the facility), as Inpatient only $2 \longrightarrow [Skip to Q206]$ **inpatients** (they spend at least one night in the facility) Both..... or both? 204 During a typical month, about how many such post-abortion 1 Number of outpatients in a typical month care patients would you estimate are treated as outpatients at this facility as a whole? Please remember to include all post-abortion care patients whether they are due OR to spontaneous or induced abortions. 2 Number of outpatients in a typical year [Interviewer: probe to elicit a response for a typical month; if respondent is not able to provide you with that estimate, then probe for the number of outpatients in a typical year. Specify that this is a full calendar year (i.e. from January to December). Please reiterate to the respondent that the number is both spontaneous and induced abortion patients and should take into consideration all wards of the facility. If a range is given, probe further for an average number]

In the past month, about how many post-abortion care patients were treated as outpatients in this facility as a whole (please remember to include all post-abortion care patients, whether they are due to spontaneous or induced abortions) [Interviewer: Probe to elicit a response for the past month; if respondent is not able to provide you with that estimate then probe for the number of outpatients during the year 2012. Specify that this is a full calendar year (i.e. from Jan to Dec). Please reiterate to the respondent that the number should take into consideration all wards of the facility. If a range is given, probe further for an average number]	1 Number of outpatients in the past month OR 2 Number of outpatients in the past year 2012
[IF Q203 INDICATES THAT INPATIENT SERVICES ARE PROVI	DED, THEN ANSWER Q206-207 IF NOT, GO TO Q208]
During a typical month, about how many such post-abortion care patients would you estimate are treated as inpatients at this facility as a whole? Please remember to include all post-abortion care patients whether they are due to spontaneous or induced abortions [Please probe to elicit a response for a typical month; if respondent is not able to provide you with that estimate then probe for the number of inpatient on typical year. Specify that this is a full calendar year (from Jan to Dec). Please reiterate to the respondent that the number is for spontaneous and induced abortion patients, and should in to consideration all wards of the facility. If a range is given, probe further for an average number]	1 Number of inpatients in an a typical month OR 2 Number of inpatients in a typical year.
In the past month, about how many post-abortion care patients were treated as inpatients in this facility as a whole? Please remember to include all post-abortion patients, whether they are due to spontaneous or induced abortions [Interviewer: Please probe to elicit a response for the past month; if respondent is not able to provide you with that estimate, then probe for the number of inpatients during the year 2012. Please reiterate to the respondents that the number should take consideration all wards of the facility. If a range is given, probe further for an average number]	Number of inpatients in the past month OR 2 Number of inpatients in the past year (2012)
[IF THE RESPONSE FOR Q202A IS "NO," ONLY ASK Q20	D8, Q209 AND Q210, THEN SKIP TO MODULE 4.]
During a typical month, about how many post-abortion care patients would you estimate are referred from this facility as a whole? Please remember to include all post-abortion care patients, whether they are due to spontaneous or induced abortion. [Probe to elicit a response for a typical month; if respondent is not able to provide you with that estimate, then probe for the number of referrals in a typical year. Specify that this is a full calendar year (Jan-Dec). Please reiterate to the respondent that the number is for spontaneous and induced abortion patients, and should take into consideration all wards of the facility. If a range is given, probe further for an average number]	1 Number of referrals in an typical month OR 2 Number of referrals in a typical year (2012)

In the past month, about how many post-abortion care patients were referred from this facility as a whole? Please remember to include all post-abortion care patients, whether they are due to complications of spontaneous or induced abortions. [Please probe to elicit a response for the past month; if respondent is not able to provide you with that estimate, then probe for the number of referral during the year 2012. Please reiterate to the respondent that the number should take into consideration all wards of the facility. If a range is given, probe further for an average number]	Number of referrals in the past month OR 2 Number of referrals in the past year (2012) [IF Q208 AND Q209 BOTH EQUAL 0, SKIP TO 211]
When a PAC case comes in and you determine it's too severe for you to handle, what services do you give before you refer them on? [Interviewer: DO NOT PROMPT. Circle all that apply.]	Stop the bleeding
211 About how many post-abortion care patient referrals do you RECEIVE from other facilities in a typical month?	1 Number of referrals received in typical month OR 2 Number of referrals received in typical year
[Interviewer: Refer to the previous figures and fill in below before asking the respondent about the patient totals] 212 So to confirm what you have just told me, in a typical month (or year), your facility treated Outpatients Inpatients for abortion complications? [Interviewer: Please read out the total number of spontaneous and induced abortion patients seen at this facility in a typical month (Q204 and Q206)	Summary per month Outpatients
Is this number correct? [Interviewer: If correct, please insert again at right; if not then correct Q 204 and Q 206 and insert at right.]	

[Interviewer: Refer to the previous figures and fill in below before asking the respondent about the patient totals]. 213 So to confirm what you have just told me, in the past month (or during the year 2012) your facility treated: Outpatients Inpatients for post-abortions complications?	Summary in the past month Outpatients
[Interviewer: Read out the total number of spontaneous and induced abortion patients seen at this facility in the past month (Q 205 and Q 207)]. Is this number correct? [Interviewer: If correct, please insert again at right; if not then correct Q 205 and Q 207 and insert at right.]	Outpatients
What are the various procedures and measures used to treat abortion-complication patients at this facility? [Interviewer: Circle all applicable responses. DO NOT PROMPT respondent but probe to make sure you've captured all procedure types.] Ask is there any other procedure?	D & E (dilation and evacuation) 1 D & C (dilation and curettage) 1 MVA (manual vacuum aspiration) 1 EVA (electric vacuum aspiration) 1 Medical abortion (e.g. Cytotec/misoprostol) 1 None 1 Other (specify) 96
Of these procedures, which is the most commonly used for treating patients with abortion complication at this facility? [Interviewer: Circle only one answer]	D & E (dilation and evacuation) 1 D & C (dilation and curettage) 2 MVA (manual vacuum aspiration) 3 EVA (electric vacuum aspiration) 4 Medical abortion (e.g. Cytotec/misoprostol) 5 Other (specify) 96 Not applicable 99
216 In a typical month or year, what percentage of the post-abortion patients at this facility you think had these complications? [Interviewer: The percentages must add up to at least 100%. They may add up to more than 100% since a patient may suffer from more than one complication.]	1 Shock 2 Sepsis 3 Uterine perforation 4 Hemorrhage 5 Incomplete abortion 6 Cervical/vaginal lacerations 7 Bladder injury 8 Intestinal injury 96 Other (specify):
Now I would like to ask you about the major characteristics of women seek	ing treatment for abortion complications, at this facility.
217 For every 100 women who are seen here for an abortion complication, about how many belong to each of the following age groups? [Interviewer: Read out the age groups. Make sure the total adds up to 100%.]	All Abortions 14 years or younger 15-19 years 20-29 years 30-39 years 40+ years Don't Know 100%

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218	What marital status, you think is most commonly encountered? [Interviewer: Prompt if necessary]	Married 1 Cohabitating 2 Single 3 Divorced/separated 4 Widowed 5 Don't Know 98
219	What level of education, you think is <i>most commonly</i>	All Abortions
	encountered?	No education 1
	n	Primary 2
	[Interviewer: Prompt if necessary.	Secondary 3 Post-secondary 4
		Don't Know 98
220	How many children do you think these women most commonly	All Abortions
	already have?	Nulliparous 1
		1-2
		3-4 3
	[Interviewer: Prompt if necessary. Circle only one.]	5 or more 4
		Don't Know 98
221	Would you say that these women <i>more commonly</i> live in urban	All Abortions
	or rural areas?	Urban 1
		Rural 2
	[Interviewer: Circle only one.]	Don't Know 98
222	In this health facility, do you maintain information on the type of abortion complications treated?	Yes

	Module III: Postabortion Counseling		
301	Does this facility offer postabortion contraceptive counseling to all, some or none of PAC patients? [Interviewer: Read out the alternatives]	To all PAC patients	
302	For those patients to whom this facility doesn't offer post-abortion contraceptive counseling, what are the reasons?		
303	Do you think women treated for abortion complications should be given contraceptive counseling while still in the health facility?	Yes	
304	Why do you think women treated for abortion complications should NOT receive family planning/contraceptive counseling?		
305	What topics do you generally cover in contraceptive counseling for post-abortion care patients? [Interviewer: DO NOT PROMPT. Multiple responses allowed.]	Instructions on correct use of all methods	
	What topics should be covered in the counseling on contraception for postabortion patients? [Interviewer: DO NOT PROMPT. Multiple responses allowed.]	Instructions on correct use of all methods	
	Do you involve men (OR PARTNERS?) in contraceptive selection IF YES, explain how you involve men , IF NO, explain why you do not involve them in contraceptive selection?	Yes	

	Do you offer contraceptive methods on the premises of this facility?	Yes
310	Which methods does your facility commonly offer to postabortion care patients? [Interviewer: DO NOT PROMPT. Multiple responses allowed.]	Pills
	[If provider selected all cont	raceptive methods in Q. 310, SKIP TO MODULE 4]
	Why do you offer these methods and not others? [Interviewer: DO NOT PROMPT. Multiple responses allowed.]	Those are the ones we have in stock

Module IV: General			
	Now we would like to ask you some general questions about your opinions about the Ugandan abortion law; the barriers on the provision of PAC, as well as how services can be improved.		
401	Compared to your other services, about how much of a burden are postabortion care services on the care that your facility provides? [Interviewer: READ THE LIST, check ONE response.]	A big burden A moderate burden A small burden Not a burden Don't know/No opinion	
402	Please tell me whether the following aspects of postabortion care are a burden to the service [Interviewer: READ THE LIST. Multiple responses allowed. Probe for any other responses.]	a. The number of patients 1 2 b. The drain on equipment/ resources 1 2 c. Human resources/qualified personnel 1 2 d. Clients' inability to pay 1 2 e. Other (specify): 1 2	
403	In your opinion, how could treatment for abortion complications be improved at this facility? [Interviewer: Do not read the list. Multiple responses are allowed.]	a. Have a private room for postabortion care patients b. Improve/expand infrastructure c. Have more trained people available d. Have available more commodities (MVA equipment, antibiotics, blood, pain medication) e. Provide information on contraception and give methods f. Provide protocols for caring for postabortion patients g. Nothing is needed, current treatment is adequate h. Other (specify):	
404	Does the current Ugandan law permit abortion only to protect the life and health of the woman?	Yes	
405	Do you think the abortion law in Uganda should be changed?	Yes	
406	Under what circumstances should abortion be provided? [Interviewer: DO NOT READ the list and circle all that apply. Multiple responses are allowed.]	Abortion should be provided: a. On demand (if the woman requests for it)	
	[Interviewer: See Q.222. If respondent answered "YES," ask Q.407. Otherwise, go to END.]		

You mentioned this facility maintains information about the type of abortion complications treated in this facility. Would it be possible to have access to that information or data?	Yes 1 No 2 → [END]		
IInterviewer: Record the number of women treated		Number	Year of Data
	Shock		
following abortion complications.	Sepsis		
	Uterine perforation		
Obtain a photocopy or actual records, if available.	Hemorrhage		
	Incomplete abortion		
If a breakdown of complications is not available,	Cervical/vaginal lacerations		
just take the total number of PAC cases treated	Bladder injury		
and thank the respondent/health records	Intestinal injury		
administrator.]	Other (specify):		
FMD. Th	Total number of PAC cases:		
	about the type of abortion complications treated in this facility. Would it be possible to have access to that information or data? [Interviewer: Record the number of women treated in 2012 or last year available according to the following abortion complications. Obtain a photocopy or actual records, if available. If a breakdown of complications is not available, just take the total number of PAC cases treated and thank the respondent/health records administrator.]	about the type of abortion complications treated in this facility. Would it be possible to have access to that information or data? [Interviewer: Record the number of women treated in 2012 or last year available according to the following abortion complications. Obtain a photocopy or actual records, if available. If a breakdown of complications is not available, just take the total number of PAC cases treated and thank the respondent/health records administrator.] Yes 1 No 2 Shock Sepsis Uterine perforation Hemorrhage Incomplete abortion Cervical/vaginal lacerations Bladder injury Intestinal injury Other (specify):	about the type of abortion complications treated in this facility. Would it be possible to have access to that information or data? [Interviewer: Record the number of women treated in 2012 or last year available according to the following abortion complications. Obtain a photocopy or actual records, if available. If a breakdown of complications is not available, just take the total number of PAC cases treated and thank the respondent/health records administrator.] No 2 → [END] Number Shock Sepsis Uterine perforation Hemorrhage Incomplete abortion Cervical/vaginal lacerations Bladder injury Intestinal injury Other (specify): Total number of PAC cases: