INSTRUMENTS FOR RETROSPECTIVE ASSESSMENT: INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEW AND FOCUS GROUP QUESTIONS





Community Based Volunteers

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- 1. What are your roles in the frontline team?
- 2. How has the head nurse helped them to fit into the frontline team?
- 3. Does the head nurse in the facility help you do your job in the best way possible?
 - a. If so, how?
 - b. If so, is she/he do anything differently to help you than she did six months go?
- 4. Does the nurse recognize the volunteers who provide quality services?
 - a. If so, how?
 - b. IF so, does he/she appreciate you more than he/she did six months ago?
 - i. If so, how?
- 5. How do you coordinate your work with the other staff and volunteers?
 - a. Does the nurse help you to do that?
 - b. If so, how?
- 6. Do the head nurse assign tasks to the volunteers and the staff to help you improve the way you work?
 - a. If yes, How?
 - b. If yes, is it different now or the same as it was six months ago?
 - c. If different, How so?
- 7. Have you learned anything about quality improvement from the head nurse?
 - a. If yes, please explain
- 8. Do you interact differently with the NHC members now than you did six months?
 - a. If ves, please explain.
- 9. Have the families in the community seen a change in the way that you and the others provide care?
 - a. If yes, please explain. (what change? How is it different? What would the community notice?)
 - b. Is it different to what it was 6 months ago?
- 10. What was the CHIP and what role did you play in its implementation?
- 11. What have you learnt about quality improvement from the CHIP?
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- 2. Have you learned any new clinical skills from the facility head since December?
 - a. If yes, please explain.
- 3. Have you learned any non-clinical skills from the facility head since December?
 - a. If yes, please explain
- **4.** How would you describe your facility head's management style? (**whatever they say is fine- do not lead them**)
- 5. Does the head nurse coach you?
 - a. If so, how?
 - b. If so, has the coaching style changed in the last six months?
 - c. If so, please explain
- 6. Does the head nurse coach others?
 - a. If so who?
 - b. If so, has the coaching style changed in the last six months?
 - c. If so, please explain
- 7. Do you coach anyone?
 - a. other staff?
 - b. Volunteers?
 - c. Patients?
 - d. If you coach others, has the coaching style changed in the last six months?
 - e. If so, please explain
- 8. Does the head nurse delegate responsibilities or tasks to you?
 - a. If so, what?
 - b. If so, is this different from how he/she delegates now and how he/she used to delegate six months ago?
 - c. If yes, please explain.
- 9. Has the nurse helped you and the other CHA to integrate into the team?
 - a. If yes, does the nurse do anything differently now to help you since he/she went through his /her training?
- 10. Does your head nurse help you do your job better?
 - a. Is this any different from what it was 6 months ago?
- 11. Have the families in the community seen a change in the way that you and the others provide care?
 - a. If yes, please explain. (what change? How is it different? What would the community notice?)
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 - c. If so, please explain
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- 1. Do you contribute to strategies to solve community health problems?
 - a. If yes, do you do things differently now than you did six months ago?
 - b. If yes, please explain what you do differently and why.
- 2. Does the head nurse bring the whole team together to promote better health?
 - a. If yes, then How?
 - b. If yes, then is that different or the same as six months ago?
 - c. If different, please give examples
- 3. Does your community feel that quality services are delivered at the health facility?
 - a. If yes, how do you know (please give specific examples)
 - b. If yes, have they improved, remained the same, or even less than they six months ago?
- 4. Do CBVs provide quality services to the households?
 - a. If yes, are they providing better services than they were six months ago, the same level, or a lower level of service than six months ago?
 - b. If better, what has changed?
- 5. Does the team work well together?
 - a. If yes, is the coordination better, the same, or less than it was six months ago?

CHIP Specific questions here.

- 6. What was the CHIP in your catchment area (to see if they know about it?)
- 7. How did you each contribute to the CHIP?
- 8. Did the nurse in charge of your facility help to lead the CHIP?
 - a. If yes, please explain
- 9. Did you learn anything about Quality Improvement from the CHIP?
 - a. If yes, please explain
- 10. Was the CHIP successful?
 - a. If yes, how?
- 11. Will you carry out similar types of activities together in your community?
 - a. If yes, please explain.
- 12. Have the NHC members learned anything new in the last six months from the head nurse?
- 13. Are the staff or volunteers doing anything differently in the last 6 months?
 - a. If yes, please explain





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 - a. Is this differently or the same as he/she did six months ago.
 - b. If differently, please explain.
- 2. Does the head nurse delegate responsibilities or tasks to you?
 - a. If so, what?
 - b. If so, is this different or the same from how he/she used to delegate?
- 3. If different, please explain.
- 4. Have you learned any new clinical skills from the facility head since December?
 - a. If yes, please explain.
- 5. Have you learned any non-clinical skills from the facility head since December?
 - a. If yes, please explain
- 6. Does the head nurse coach you?
 - a. If so, how?
 - b. Is this any different than he/she coached you before?
 - c. If yes, please explain.
- 7. Does the head nurse coach others?
 - a. If so who?
 - b. Is this any different than he/she coached these others before?
 - c. If yes, please explain.
- 8. Do you coach anyone?
 - a. other staff?
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 - c. Patients?
 - d. Is your coaching any different than it was six months ago?
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Nurse In-charge

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- Comment on what you learnt and how you have practiced what you learnt in the following modules giving examples: Mention any new skills you may have picked up: Coaching, Strategic Planning etc.
- 2. Comment on the materials you were provided with for learning such as Printed modules, WhatsApp, UNZA Mobile etc. How did they aid in your learning?
- 3. How has this training made a difference on the following (Y/N):?
 - a. Delegation of duties/activities
 - b. Team building
 - c. Improving quality of services
 - d. Increasing number of patients accessing services
 - e. Increasing your self- confidence
- 4. What were the roles of your supervisors that made this training effective? Comment on your interaction with your supervisors.
- 5. What new information have you gathered in the last year that has improved your clinical practice?
- 6. What parts of this course will you strongly recommend?
- 7. What parts of the course need improvement?
- 8. How can we improve the course for the next cohort?
- 9. Are the medicines/commodities that you are prescribed available for you to pick up?

- a. Has the medicine supply improved, stayed the same, or worsened over the last six months?
- b. Please explain (giving specific examples
- 9. What was your CHIP?
- 10. Briefly describe the steps taken to formulate the CHIP and how it was implemented in your Health facility.

Mentors participating in the training

- 1. Did you see services improve, stay the same, or worsen in the facilities where the nurse in charge was participating in the UNZA PHC2C training?
 - a. If so, please describe (be specific)
 - b. If so, did the communities involved see changes (please explain)
 - c. If so, did the staff and volunteers see changes?
- 2. Did you see a change in the leadership practices and/or management practices of the nurse in charge taking the course?
 - a. Leadership? Give specific examples of each of the nurses you work with.
 - b. Management? Give specific examples again for each nurse
- 3. Did your relationship change with the nurses in the facilities in this training?
 - a. Please explain
 - b. Please explain how these are or are not different than your relationship with the other facilities heads you supervise.
- 4. Did you change your supervision style?
 - a. If so, then please explain (be specific)
 - b. If so, was this change an improvement?
 - c. If so, will you engage these changes with other facilities?
- 5. Do you recommend that this course be offered to other facilities heads?
- 6. Do you think that this training helps the facilities heads provide more value and/or support to the district managers?
 - a. Please explain your answer
- 7. Do you like the role that you played in the training?
 - a. Please explain
 - b. What would you like to do differently?
- 8. What improvements do you recommend in the training?
- 9. Do you feel that this training is valuable for other facilities? Districts?
- 10. What do you want others to know about this course?