Baseline Questionnaire for China Primary Health Care Impact Evaluation¹

County code	Township code	
Village code	Participant code	

Respondent's information

1. Name:_____

2. ID number:

3. Telephone number:

4. Address

County:_____

Town:_____

Village:

5.Chronic disease type:

Hypertension Diabetes mellitus Both Hypertension and Diabetes mellitus

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Table 1. Basic information of the respondent

Question number	Questions and options	Answer
1	What is the relationship of you with the head of the household?	
	1) The same person	
	2) Spouse	
	3) Son or daughter	
	4) Son-in law or daughter-in-law	
	5) Parent	
	6) Parent-in-law	
	7) Grandson or granddaughter	
	8) Brother or sister	
	9) Other	
2	Record of the respondent's gender	
	1) Male	
	2) Female	
3	What is your nationality?	
	1) Han	
	2) Minority	
4	How old are you? (In years)	
5	What is your highest educational attainment?	
	1) Primary school or below	
	2) Junior high school	

Question number	Questions and options	Answer
	3) Senior high school	
	4) Technical secondary school	
	5) College degree or above	
6	What is your marital status?	
	1) Single	
	2) Married	
	3) Widowed	
	4) Divorced	
7	What is your occupation?	
	1) Farmer	
	2) Unemployed	
	3) Part-time job	
	4) Self-employed	
	5) Professionals & technical	
	6) Grassroots staff	
	7) Retired	
	8) Others	
8	Does the following medical insurance cover you?	
	Notes: Common options for the following are:	
	1) Yes	
	2) No	
	I. Urban Employee Basic Medical Insurance (UEBMI)	
	II. Urban Residents' Basic Medical Insurance (URBMI)	
	III. New Rural Co-operative Medical System (NRCMS)	

Question number	Questions and options	Answer
	IV. Urban and Rural Residents Medical Insurance (URRMI)	
	V. Commercial Medical Insurance (CMI)	
	VI. Others	
9	Are you a government medical aid beneficiary?	
	1) Yes	
	2) No	
10	Please rate your overall health today.	
	0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100	
	Notes: A scale was shown to the respondent. This scale is numbered	
	from 0 to 100. 100 means the best health you can imagine. 0 means the	
	worst health you can imagine.	
11	Are you smoking?	
	1) Everyday	
	2) Seldom	
	3) Already quit	
	4) Never	
12	Have you drunk any alcohol in the last month?	
	1) At least three times a week	
	2) Less than three times a week	
	3) Never	
About the chr	onic disease	
Please ask que	estions numbered 13-26 if respondents had hypertension.	
13	How frequently you take the antihypertensive drug?	

Question number	Questions and options			Answer		
	1) Daily, according to the doctor's request					
	2) Not always, unless necessary					
	3) Never					
14	Have you taken your blood pressure yesterday?					
	1) No					
	2) Yes					
	Notes: if the respondent answered "Yes," record the blood pressure and					
	skip to question 16					
15	When was the last time you took your blood pressure?					
	1) Within one week					
	2) Within one month					
	3) Within three months					
	4) Within half a year					
	5) Half a year ago					
16	What has your doctor done about your high blood pressure in the last					
	three months?					
	1) Follow-up					
	2) No follow-up					
17	How many times have you seen a doctor because of high blood					
	pressure in the last month?					
	Notes: If the record was zero, then skip to question 25.					
Ask the respon	ndent about the last five outpatient services during the previous month.	1	2	3	4	5
18	What was the first contact health sector?					
	1) Village clinic					

Question number	Questions and options		Answer	
	2) Private clinic			
	3) Town health center			
	4) Public hospital within the county			
	5) Private hospital within the county			
	6) County hospital outside the county			
	7) City or provincial hospital outside the county			
	8) Other			
19	How did you access the health sector?			
	1) On foot			
	2) By bicycle			
	3) By motorcycle			
	4) By car			
	5) Other			
20	How long did you spend on accessing the health sector? (In minutes)			
21	If the doctor said it was uncurable, where did you go to see the doctor			
	later? (Patients receiving treatment in first-visit medical institutions do			
	not need to answer this question)			
	1) Town health center			
	2) Public hospital within the county			
	3) Private hospital within the county			
	4) County hospital outside the county			
	5) City or provincial hospital outside the county			
	6) Other			
22	How much did it cost, including examination, diagnosis, and treatment,			

Question number	Questions and options	Answer
	medicine, etc. (that is, the total outpatient fee)? (In RMB Yuan)	
23	How much was the out-of-pocket expenditure? (In RMB Yuan)	
24	How much did you and the person who accompanied you spend on this	
	visit (such as bus, food, and accommodation)? (In RMB Yuan)	
25	Have you ever needed to see a doctor because of high blood pressure	
	but didn't see a doctor in the last month?	
	1) Yes	
	2) No	
	Notes: If the respondent answered "No" and the respondent had	
	diabetes mellitus, skip to question 27; If the respondent answered "No"	
	and did not have diabetes mellitus, skip to Table 2.	
26	The main reasons for not going to see a doctor (single selection):	
	Seeing a doctor is a troublesome thing	
	1) Shortage of money	
	2) Shortage of time	
	3) Inconvenience concerning approaching the doctor	
	4) The disease cannot be cured	
	5) Others	
Ask questions	s 27-41 if the respondent had diabetes mellitus.	
27	What is your type of diabetes mellitus?	
	1) Type I	
	2) Type II	
	3) Unknown	
28	How frequently you take antidiabetic drugs (Or take insulin injection)?	

Question number	Questions and options			Answer		
	1) Every day or every meal, according to the doctor's request					
	2) Not always, unless necessary					
	3) Never					
29	Have you taken your blood glucose yesterday?					
	1) No					
	2) Yes					
	Notes: if the respondent answered "Yes," record the fasting or non-					
	fasting blood glucose, and skip to question 31					
30	When was the last time you took your blood glucose?					
	1) Within one week					
	2) Within one month					
	3) Within three months					
	4) Within half a year					
	5) Half a year ago					
31	What has your doctor done about your diabetes mellitus in the last					
	three months?					
	1) Follow-up					
	2) No follow-up					
32	How many times have you seen a doctor because of diabetes mellitus					
	in the last month?					
	Notes: If the record was zero, then skip to Table 2.					
Ask the respon	ndent about the last five outpatient services during the previous month.	1	2	3	4	5
33	What was the first contact health sector?					
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	2) Private clinic	
	3) Town health center	
	4) Public hospital within the county	
	5) Private hospital within the county	
	6) County hospital outside the county	
	7) City or provincial hospital outside the county	
	8) Others	
34	How did you access the health sector?	
	1) On foot	
	2) By bicycle	
	3) By motorcycle	
	4) By car	
	5) Others	
35	How long did you spend on accessing the health sector? (In minutes)	
36	If the doctor said it was uncurable, where did you go to see the doctor	
	later?	
	1) Town health center	
	2) Public hospital within the county	
	3) Private hospital within the county	
	4) County hospital outside the county	
	5) City or provincial hospital outside the county	
	6) Other	
	Notes: Patients receiving treatment in first-visit medical institutions do	
	not need to answer this question.	

Question number	Questions and options	Answer
37	How much did it cost, including examination, diagnosis, and treatment,	
	medicine, etc. (that is, the total outpatient fee)? (In RMB Yuan)	
38	How much was the out-of-pocket expenditure? (In RMB Yuan)	
39	How much did you and the person who accompanied you spend on this	
	visit (such as bus, food and accommodation)? (In RMB Yuan)	
40	Have you ever needed to see a doctor because of diabetes mellitus but	
	didn't see a doctor in the last month?	
	1) Yes	
	2) No	
	Notes: If the respondent answered "No", skip to Table 2.	
41	The main reasons for not going to see a doctor (single selection):	
	Seeing a doctor is a troublesome thing	
	1) Shortage of money	
	2) Shortage of time	
	3) Inconvenience concerning approaching the doctor	
	4) The disease cannot be cured	
	5) Others	

Table 2 Hospitalization utilization

Question number	Questions and options			Answe	r	
42	Since April 1, 2018, have you been hospitalized by a doctor, but you					
	have not been hospitalized?					
	1) Yes					
	2) No					
	Notes: If the respondent had been hospitalized during the past 12					
	months, skip to question 44; otherwise, skip to Table 3.					
43	What was the main reason for the last time you need to be hospitalized					
	but not hospitalized (single selection)?					
	1) Getting hospitalized is a troublesome thing					
	2) Shortage of money					
	3) Shortage of time					
	4) Inconvenient traffic					
	5) The disease cannot be cured					
	6) Unnecessary for a minor ailment					
	7) No beds available in the hospital					
	8) Indifferent					
	9) Other			1		
If the responde	ont has been hospitalized from April 1, 2018, to the present, 1	2	3	4	5	6
ask about each	hospitalization starting from the most recent hospitalization.					
44	Hospitalization year					
45	Hospitalization month					

46	Where were you hospitalized?			
	1) Town health center			
	2) Public hospital within the county			
	3) Private hospital within the county			
	4) County hospital outside the county			
	5) City or provincial hospital outside the county			
	6) Other			
47	How did you access the hospital?			
	1) On foot			
	2) By bicycle			
	3) By motorcycle			
	4) By car			
	5) Others			
48	How long did you spend on accessing the health sector? (In			
	minutes)			
49	Why you discharged from that hospital?			
	1) Already cured, discharge for medical advice			
	2) No cured, transferred for medical advice			
	3) Asking for discharge			
	4) Other			
	Notes: If the answer was option 1, 2, or 4, skip to question			
	51.			
50	Why did you ask for discharge?			
	1) The disease has not been cured			
	2) I feel good enough			
	3) Hospitalization costs too much			

	4) Underequipped hospital			
	5) Poor professional skill			
	6) Other			
51	How much the total charge of hospitalization? (In RMB			
	Yuan)			
52	How much was the out-of-pocket expenditure? (In RMB			
	Yuan)			
	Notes: Excluding reimbursement and personal medical			
	account expenses			
53	How much did you and the person who accompanied you			
	spend on this hospitalization (such as taking a bus,			
	accommodation, and hiring a nursing worker)? (In RMB			
	Yuan)			
54	How many days did the family member who accompanied			
	you be absent from work while in the hospital?			

Table 3 Household information

Question number	Questions and options	Answer
55	How many people do you usually eat and live with within your family? (That is, the resident population)	
56	 How far is the nearest place to see a doctor from your home? 1) Less than one kilometer 2) One to five kilometers 3) More than five kilometers 	
57	 How do you handle your minor ailment? 1) To see a doctor 2) To go to the pharmacy to get over-the-counter (OTC) medicine 3) Indifferent 4) Other <i>Notes: If the respondent answered option 2, 3, or 4, skip to question 59.</i> 	
58	 Where do you access to doctor's help for a minor ailment? 1) Village clinic 2) Private clinic 3) Town health center 4) Public hospital within the county 5) Private hospital within the county 6) City or provincial hospital outside the county 7) Other 	
59	Has your family been registered as a poor household?	

	1) Vec	
	1) Yes	
	2) No	
	3) Unknown	
	Notes: If the answer was option 2, skip to 61.	
	Has your family been alleviated out of poverty?	
60	1) Yes	
00	2) No	
	3) Unknown	
	What is your family income in 2018?	
	a. What do you think of your family's income in 2018 compared with	
	the people around you?	
	1) very low 2) low 3) medium 4) high 5) very high	
61	b. How much money did your family earn in 2018? (In thousands RMB	
	Yuan)	
	Notes: Choose one of the two questions above. Total household income	
	includes wage income, net operating income, property income, and	
	transfer income.	
	How much did your family spend on daily life in 2018? (That is,	
	household consumption expenditure)	
62	Or, ask the percentage of the family spend on daily life relative to total	
	income.	
63	How much did your family spend on food? (Or ask for percentage)	
<i></i>	How much did your family spend on medicines, medical services, and	
64	products? (Or ask for percentage)	
	Was your family a subsistence allowance beneficiary?	
65	1) Yes	
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2) No
3) Unknown
What the main reason for your family being in poverty?
1) Lack of labor
2) Natural disaster
3) Influenced labor cause by disease
4) Out-of-pocket expenses related to disease
5) Unemployed
6) Anthropogenic factor
7) Other
Notes: This question is only available for those registered as poor
households.
Are you satisfied with the poverty alleviation?
1) Very dissatisfied
2) Dissatisfied
3) Generally satisfied
4) Quite satisfied
5) Very satisfied
6) Unknown
Notes: This question is available for those registered as poor
households.

Table 4 Health literacy

~	uestion number	Questions and options	Answer		
If th	If the respondent had hypertension and diabetes mellitus, ask questions 68-87; if the respondent had hypertension but without diabetes mellitus,				
ask	questions 6	8-72 and 80-87; otherwise, ask questions 73-87.			
Note	Notes: The interviewer read the sentence and ask about the interviewee's judgment on the sentence. Common options for the following sentences				
are:	are:				
1)	Right				
2)	Wrong				
3)	Unknown	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
	68	High blood pressure is acceptable as long as we don't feel sick.			
	69	Not less than 140/90mmHg is considered high blood pressure.			
	70	Without treatment, high blood pressure can damage the kidneys.			
	71	We can sense our blood pressure.			
	72	Hardening or narrowing of blood vessels caused by fatty deposits can cause high blood			
	12	pressure.			
	73	Diabetes is due to insufficient insulin secretion or deficiency.			
	74	Diabetes can be cured by taking medicine over some time.			
	75	Diabetic patients can eat freely if their fasting blood glucose is normal in the morning.			
	76	Prolonged hyperglycemia can cause other health problems, such as blindness.			
	77	Normal fasting blood glucose levels do not exceed seven mmol/L.			
	78	Diabetic patients can eat fruits ad libitum.			
	79	Diabetic patients can share their medicine.			
	80	When blood glucose or pressure is controlled, you can stop taking medicine.			

81	All medicines should be taken only after meals.	
82	A double-dosage would compromise a missed medication.	
83	Taking hypoglycemic agents or antihypertensive drugs every two days would reduce adverse	
85	reactions.	
84	All the medicine should be kept in the refrigerator.	
85	Smoking increases the risk of heart disease.	
86	Not eating sugar will lead to a lack of energy.	
87	Vegetable oils are cholesterol-free and can be eaten in large quantities.	