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**ORPHAN AND VULNERABLE
CHILDREN SITUATION ANALYSIS:
INTERVIEW GUIDE FOR SOCIAL
WELFARE OFFICERS**



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Interview Guide

Pediatric HIV Case Identification, Referral and Care at Health Facilities for orphans and vulnerable children (OVC)

For interviews with health sector Social Welfare Officer responsible for OVC care and support at the district level.

Date: _____ **Name of District** _____

Interviewer(s) _____ **Name of Sector** _____

Interviewee(s) _____

Team: _____

Contact Person: _____ **Phone:** _____

General

Ask to speak with the person in charge for social center or NGO who is present today. Introduce yourself, briefly explain the purpose of your visit and ask if she/he would be willing to answer few questions about orphans and vulnerable children with HIV and AIDS

Hello. My name is _____. My colleagues and I are here on behalf of to conduct a joint situation analysis to learn more about your services related to HIV/AIDS and OVCs. The information you provide us is very important and valuable, which will help to inform social centers, health facilities, care givers, to support and improve OVC related policies and the delivery of services. We do appreciate your time and responses.

THANK YOU

Interview Guide: Health Sector Social Welfare for OVC and Pediatric HIV Services
(for use at provincial and district levels of care)

Type of Facilities in the Sector:	Linked to:
<input type="checkbox"/> Referral Hospital	Regional Hospital Name.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Regional Hospital	District Hospital Name.....
<input type="checkbox"/> District Hospital	Health Center (1).....
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Center	Health Center (2).....
<input type="checkbox"/> Dispensary	Health Center (3).....
<input type="checkbox"/> Others	Health Center (4).....
	Dispensaries (Number).....

Site Characteristics

Types of site for OVC and pediatric HIV care in the Sector

- Public (government)
- Private, (NGO)
- Private, (FBO)
- Other (specify: _____)

Location of the site

- Urban
- Rural
- Semi-urban/peri-urban

Services offered in the Sector

- Out-patient MCH
- ANC
- Labor and Delivery
- Out-patient pediatric
- In-patient pediatric
- General/Family practice/OPD
- Other (specify: _____)
- TB clinic
- Nutrition

ALL OF ABOVE

Selected Sector Statistics

Population of catchment area (adult +children)....._____

Population of children under 15 years of age_____

Population of children under 5 years of age_____

Population of orphans and vulnerable children_____

Population of orphans and vulnerable children under 5 years of age_____

Number of orphans seen at the health facilities (2007)_____

Number of orphans below 5 years attended to in the sector....._____

Number of orphans known to be HIV positive (2007)_____

Number of orphans under 5 years known to be HIV positive (2007)....._____

Services Available in the Sector

HIV counseling and Testing
(check those that apply)

(Check all that apply)

Provider Initiated Testing and Counseling (PITC)
 ___ inpatient: ___ adults ___ children
 ___ outpatient: ___ adults ___ children

VCT ___ adults ___ children

Routine offer of testing for infants and children:
 ___ inpatient ___ outpatient

Adults Yes No Start Date: ___/___/___

Children Yes No Start Date: ___/___/___

Referral of HIV positive women to ART
 If yes, when? ___ ANC _____ (post partum or antenatal)

Partner counseling and testing – rare

ART Yes No

When initiated at this facility
(mm/yyyy)

PMTCT Yes No

Pediatric/MCH/Child Health services

___ Growth monitoring
 ___ Immunization
 ___ IMCI
 ___ Cotrimoazole for HIV exposed children @ART
 ___ Bednets/ITN

Psychosocial support to families with HIV? (check all that apply)

Individual counseling support groups outreach to community Other _____

If outreach workers find a child in the home of a family who is sick/suspected of being HIV infected, what do they do?

Services and support provided for orphans and vulnerable children at the Sector level

- Psychosocial support
- Screening for health problem
- Immunization
- Nutritional Support
- Cotrimoazole for HIV exposed children with HIV
- ART for eligible children
- Bednets/ITN

For infants and children exposed to HIV, who/which service is responsible for each of the following elements of care:

Complete items at right with following codes (more than one code can apply)

- ART at Provincial level hospital (ART-P)
- ART at District level (ART-D)
- ART at sub-district level (ART-SD)
- Dispensaries (Dis)
- HBC workers/CHWs/OVC workers

- Identification of HIV- exposed infants and children
- Prescribe ART
- Monitor ART after 3 months
- Provide adherence support
- Provide CTMZ prophylaxis
- Refer for HIV testing
- Conduct clinical assessment

Where are pediatric HIV care services located?

- MCH
- OPD
- CCC
- Pediatric HIV specialty clinic
- Other (specify: _____)

CARE AND SUPPORT FOR ORPHANS AND VULNERABLE CHILDREN (OVC)

- How does the Sector identify OVCs (indigent, orphan and vulnerable children) in the facility?

- What specific services are available for OVC in the Sector? Please list
 - Who provides these services?
 - When are the services provided?
 - Where are they provided at the health facility?

- How do OVCs access services in the Sector?

- How many OVCs are attended to in the Sector each year?
 - How many of the OVCs are under 5 years of age?

- What are the common health problems of OVC that are encountered in the Sector? Please list

- What do you do when you encounter a sick OVC in the Sector?

- What are the barriers to access to health services by OVCs? Please list

- What support services are available to OVCs in the Sector
- What challenges do you encounter while providing services for OVCs in the Sector ?
 - Getting OVC tested for HIV?
 - Providing treatment for OVCs?

- What support do you think should be provided to OVCs who are infected with HIV in the Sector?

- Do you refer OVCs to other services or NGOs in the community? And to where?

- What interventions are available for OVC in the sector?

Guidelines Available for OVC and Pediatric HIV services

Guidelines present on site	Response
Guidelines for Clinical Management of HIV/AIDS (ART, OIs)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, specify: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Observed TOLD AT NEARBY OFFICE
Guidelines for PMTCT	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, specify: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Observed TOLD AT NEARBY OFFICE
Guidelines for counseling and testing for adults	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, specify: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Observed
Guidelines for care and support for orphans and vulnerable children	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, specify: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Observed
Handbook on Pediatric AIDS in Africa (ANECCA)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Told it is In a Medical Officer's office – did not observe
Other relevant guidelines
Are there information, education and communication (IEC) materials available for the patients	<input type="checkbox"/> General HIV education <input type="checkbox"/> General ART issues <input type="checkbox"/> ARV side effects and their management <input type="checkbox"/> Opportunistic infections <input type="checkbox"/> Medication use <input type="checkbox"/> Adherence support <input type="checkbox"/> Pediatric HIV and AIDS

STAFFING AND CAPACITY FOR PEDIATRIC HIV CARE AND TREATMENT

	Total Number	# of each type provider providing pediatric HIV Care	# trained in IMCI-HIV	# trained in pediatric HIV care
Medical Officers (1 ENT, 2 surgeons, 1 physician, 1 pediatrician, 1 gynecologist)				
Asst MO				
Clinical officer				
Nursing Officer				
Nurse Midwife				
Nurses (all other levels)				
Nurse attendant or hospital assistant				
Health Assistant				
Others				

SERVICE STATISTICS

Question

Response

Number of infants born to HIV positive mothers who return to the facility for follow-up

Number of HIV exposed infants on CT prophylaxis

Number of HIV-infected children who are currently on ART in the facility

_____ < 15 years
 _____ below 2 years
 _____ above 2 years

How many children (<15 y.o.) have been put on or referred for ART while on the in-patient ward (2007).

None
 Number: _____

How many children have been put on or referred for ART from the MCH/OPD/Ped OP clinic in last month?

None
 Number: _____

How many children have been put on or referred for ART because their parents are on ART?

None
 Number: _____

Comments