QUESTIONNAIRE Improving care in health centers

This questionnaire is directed to health center _____

Function:_____

In this function since:_____

Date: _____

Instructions

For answering the questions, please take the following in mind:

- 1. Please try to answer all questions.
- 2. Don't stay too long with one question.
- 3. Tick the box that you think best corresponds with reality
- 4. If you don't know the answer to a question, try to find out or skip the question
- 5. Questions are ordered by topic, as indicated by the headers
- 6. If you have any doubt how to answer a certain question, see the questionnaire manual
- 7. For any questions, contact Daan de Jong on 0786040748 or dr. NDAHINDWA Vedaste on 0788454613

1 Health Center

- 1. Which of these services does health center offer (please cross all that are offered)?
 - $\hfill\square$ Curative care for children
 - $\hfill\square$ Facility-based delivery service
 - $\hfill\square$ Child immunization
 - \Box Natural family planning
 - $\hfill\square$ Modern family planning
 - $\hfill\square$ Antenatal care
 - $\hfill\square$ Growth monitoring
 - □ Services for STIs (sexual transmittable infections)
- 2. What is (approximately) the average monthly number of patients treated?

3. Which sectors are the catchment area for this health center?

- 4. Are there within this catchment area places from which it is difficult to come to the health center?
 - \square No
 - □ Yes, for approximately ______ % of the catchment population Please list the reasons for this difficulty in access here:

2 Strategies to improve health

The following questions are necessary to get an insight in what strategies the health center has developed to meet the PBF-targets. Please try for all of the questions to list some strategies, of which you think they are improve to the care delivered. For some ideas of strategies, please consult the questionnaire manual page 2.

1. What is the standard for antenatal consultations for your health center?

a. The number of woman visiting for antenatal consultations is at least ______ a month.

The quality score of these consultations should at least be: $_$

b. Please list the strategies the health center uses to reach this standard?

2. What is the standard for deliveries for your health center?

a. The number of deliveries is at least ______ a month.

The quality score of these deliveries should at least be: _____ %

b. Please describe what is done to achieve these standard?

3. What is the standard for growth monitoring for your health center?

a. The number of monitoring control consultations is at least ______ a month.

The quality score of these consultations should at least be: _____ %

b. Please list the strategies the health center uses to reach this standard?

- 4. What is the standard for family planning (natural+modern) for your health center?
- a. The number of family planning consultations is at least ______ a month.

The quality score of these consultations should at least be: %

b. Please list the strategies the health center uses to reach this standard?

- 5. What is the standard for child immunization for your health center?
- a. The number of vaccinations is at least ______ a month.

The quality score of these consultations should at least be: _____ %

b. Please list the strategies the health center uses to reach this standard?

Please choose one of the strategies, which meets the following conditions NOTE: If there is no strategy meeting all items, please choose a strategy that meets most conditions
• Introduced after 2005
• Preferably not a government initiative
• Preferably unique/charactistic for this area or health center
• Preferably for antenatal care or deliveries
Please describe the strategy of your choice here and continue to section 3 with this strategy in mind.

7. When did the health center introduce this strategy? See in the questionnaire manual how to use the timeline



3 Specific strategy

Please answer the questions in this section with the strategy from question 6 of the previous section in mind

Why has the strategy been introduced?

1. To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

	Disagree	Neutral	Agree		
There was already much known about this strategy from other health centers					
It was already known which effects the strategy would have on the number of patients coming					
The strategy was first tested with some personnel before everyone had to work with it					
What has been the reason(s) to implement this strategy (more answers possible)?					
To increase the number of notionts treated					

- $\hfill\square$ To increase the number of patients treated
- $\hfill\square$ To improve quality of care delivered
- $\hfill\square$ To receive extra money from the PBF
- $\hfill\square$ Advised by donor, NGO or the affiliated religious organization
- $\hfill\square$ Because other health centers also introduced it
- \Box To improve the image of the health center
- $\hfill\square$ To better reach people that are normally not coming to the health center
- \Box Government strategy
- \Box Other: ____

2.

3. The following factors influenced the choice for this strategy?

PBF funding	No influence \Box	Some influence \Box	A lot of influence \Box
Competition between health centers			
Government policies			
Favoured by personnel			
Favoured by patients			

4. Do you have any additional comments on why the strategy has been introduced? If so, please list them here

How has the strategy been introduced?

5. How did you hear of this strategy (more answers are possible)?

\Box I heard it from the staff of this health cent
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- \Box I heard/saw it from another health center, namely:
- \Box I heard it from another supervisor, namely the supervisor of health center:
- \Box I heard it at a meeting. Please specify: _____
- \Box I heard it from the government
- \Box I heard of it through local media (newsletters, etc.)
- □ I heard of it through mass-media (newspapers, tv, etc.)
- □ Other _____
- $\hfill\square$ Don't know

6. How was the strategy implemented?

- \Box The supervisor took responsibility for the implementation
- \Box The head of the health center took responsibility for the implementation
- □ Implementation was arranged during the management meetings
- $\hfill\square$ One of the staff members was made responsible
- \Box Other ____
- $\hfill\square$ Don't know
- 7. About the implementation of strategy: To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

	Disagree	Neutral	Agree
It was clear which steps had to be taken to implement this strategy			
The health center has the capacity to meet the increased number of patients			
This strategy could easily be integrated in our working method			
This strategy resulted in extra procedures for the personnel			
Implementation of this strategy was easy			
The introduction of this strategy clearly led to higher PBF revenues			

8. Do you have any additional comments on how the strategy has been introduced? If so, please list them here

What is your opinion on the strategy?

- 9. Would you recommend this strategy to other health centers?
 - \Box Yes
 - \square Maybe
 - \square No

10. Has your health center been an example for other health centers?

\Box Yes, for the health center(s):	
□ No	

11. About the results of the strategy: To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

Thanks to the strategy more PBF money is received	Disagree \Box	Neutral □	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Agree} \\ \Box \end{array}$
The costs for the health center to implement this strategy are high			
Using this strategy improves the image of the health center (com- pared to other health centers)			
This strategy improves the quality of care the health center delivers			
The strategy has led to a large increase in the number of patients treated			
This strategy has increased the number of patients coming			

12. Do you have any additional comments on your opinion of the strategy? If so, please list them here

13. Do you have any additional comments on the strategy itself? If so, please list them here

4 Health center characteristics

Resources

- 1. Which types of funding does the health center receive (more answers possible)?
 - $\hfill\square$ Government funding
 - \Box Insurance funding
 - \square PBF funding
 - $\hfill\square$ Money from faith-based organizations
 - $\hfill\square$ Money from NGOs
 - □ Other: _____

2. Does the health center have a focus on specific services? (give maximal two)

- \square No
- $\hfill\square$ Curative care for children
- \Box Facility-based delivery service
- $\hfill\square$ Child immunization
- □ Family planning
- $\hfill\square$ Antenatal care
- $\hfill\square$ Growth monitoring
- \Box Services for STIs (sexual transmittable infections)

3. What is present in the health center on 'instrumentation' (please cross all present)?

- \Box Electricity
- \Box Running water
- $\hfill\square$ Freezer
- \Box Sterilization apparature
- \Box Ambulance
- \Box Incubator

4. How would you indicate the supply of medicines?

- \Box Never a shortage of medicines
- $\hfill\square$ Only few medicines which we are short of
- $\hfill\square$ Many medicines which we are short of
- $\hfill\square$ Short on all medicines
- \Box Other ____
- 5. Do you have any additional comments on the resources of the health center? If so, please list them here

Funding:		
Focus:		
Apparature and medicines:		

Personnel

6. What is your vision on the health care staff in the health center, regarding:

Motivation	Low	\square	High □
Voice in policy of health centers			
Entrepreneurially			

7. What is your vision on the head of the health center?

Please only answer this when you are the supervisor of the health center

Risk-taking	Low	\square	High □
Entrepreneurially			
Educational level			
Motivation			
Leadership			
Commanding personnel			
Involvement			

8. Do you have any additional comments on the personnel of the health center? If so, please list them here

Role of supervisor

9. Indicate to what extent you agree with the following statements if you agree?

a. It is the role of the supervisor to decide which changes should be made in the health center

	Disagree \Box	Neutral □	Agree □	
b. It is the role of the supervisor to assist the head and management team of the health center				
	\Box	\square	Agree	
c. It is the role of the supervisor to	control what	t is done with	in the health center	
	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{Disagree} \\ \Box \end{array} $	\square	Agree	
d. The health center expect a lot of	f guidance fro	om the superv	risor	
	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{Disagree} \\ \Box \end{array} $	\square	Agree	
e. The health center is able to take	its own initia	atives		
	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	

Disagree	Neutral	Agree

Relation with other health centers

10. Are there many people close to this health center going to other health centers and if so, to which?



11. Are there people coming from other health centers specifically to this health center?



12. Which health centers are an example for this health center?



13. To which health centers is this health center an example?



Communication with other health centers and hospital

14. Can you give an indication on how often the following meetings take place?

	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Yearly	Never/NA
Meetings between the supervisors within district					
Informal meetings between supervisors					
Meetings of the management committee of the health center					
Meetings of the health committee of the health center					
Meetings between this and other health centers in the district					
Informal meetings between this and other health centers					

15. Which of these meetings is to your opinion most important for the spread of new initiatives? Please rank the most important three (by placing 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes)

- $\hfill\square$ Meetings of the management committee of the health center
- $\hfill\square$ Meetings of the health committee of the health center
- \Box Meetings with other health centers in district
- $\hfill\square$ Informal meetings with other health center
- \Box Meetings with supervisors in district
- \Box Informal meetings with other supervisors
- □ Other:_____

PROCEED TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WITH THE MOST IMPORTANT TYPE OF MEETING IN MIND

16. Which health centers are represented in this meetings

- $\hfill\square$ All health centers of the district
- \Box Select group, with health centers from same supervisor: _____
- \Box Other, the health centers: _____

17. Who is chairing these meetings?

Function:

18. Please rank the following groups in order of most input (1) to lowest input (6)

- _____ Other health centers
- _____ This health center
- _____ Supervisors
- _____ District hospital
 - _____ Government
 - _____ Others: _____

Other

19. Please rank the following actors on the one with most influence (1) on the health center's strategies to the lowest influence (7)

_____ Ministry of Health _____ Province authorities _____ District administration _____ District hospital _____ Health center itself _____ Health center comittee _____ Community _____ Others: _____ 20. What is the number of the staff (only nurses and medical supporting staff)? Total number of staff: _____ Number of nurses A1: _____ Number of nurses A2: _____ Number of Lab technicians A2: Number of doctors: _____ 21. What percentage of the catchment population (population cible) has paid it's Mutuelles de santé in 2011? -----% of the catchment population. 22. You've reached the end of the questionnaire. Is there anything else you would like to share? If so, please list it here

Thank you very much for filling this questionnaire out. Please put your answers in the envelope, and hand it back over to the one who shared this questionnaire with you. In February you will receive the results of this research by email.