POST - EFFECTS OF OBSTETRIC FISTULA IN UGANDA; A CASE STUDY OF FISTULA SURVIVORS IN KITOVU MISSION HOSPITAL

(MASAKA), UGANDA

INTERVIEW GUIDE FOR FISTULA SURVIVORS

(An interview guide to be used on women with treated fistula)

LC II Zone
Name of Health Facility
Introduction:
Miss/Mrs.
I am called Nakilembe Jennifer, a student at Makerere University pursuing a Master's
degree of science in Reproductive Health. I am collecting information on Post-effects of
obstetric fistula among women with treated fistula. I very much appreciate your
participation in this research study. Your participation is purely voluntary and the
information you provide will be kept strictly confidential and will not be shown to any
other person. Participating in this study has no risks involved and may not give you
personal benefit but may go a long way into understand the experiences that fistula
survivors go through. You are free to opt out of this study any point in time when you
feel uncomfortable or otherwise.
Do you agree or consent to participate in this study? Yes, No
If so, please sign or thumb print

Interview started at	am/	'pm
Interview ended at	am/	'pm

I would like you to introduce yourself to me, by telling me your names, age, marital status, level of education, residence and your religion.

- 1. What do you do for a living?
- 2. How did you know that you had fistula?
- 3. When did you get the fistula and how old were you?
- 4. In your opinion what might have caused it?
- 5. For how long did you live with it (years/months)?
- 6. Who knew that you had fistula?
- 7. What was the reaction of those who knew about your condition? (Probe on how she felt)
- 8. How did you find out that it was treatable?
- 9. When was the fistula operated on? (Probe for the time she spent with it and why so)
- 10. How successful was the operation?
- 11. Since the operation, how is your personal health (probe for also the social life)
- 12. What difference do you have before and after the fistula repair?
- 13. What was the family reaction when you returned after the successful operation?
- 14. What has been done to ensure that you do not continue the negative experiences you had before?
- 15. What has the "successful "operation meant to you as a person?

- 16. And what difference has it made in your life?
- 17. What more should be done;
 - i. To prevent OF
 - ii. Enable affected people access help
- iii. Facilitate re-integration

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