

Improving adolescent access to contraception and safe abortion in sub-Saharan Africa: health system pathways
Question guide: Interviewing the interviewers

[Start – Go through informed consent and get verbal consent. Explain that the interview is not a performance interview but is aimed to focus on how they experienced interviewing adolescents. Chance for questions on above]

Now that the project is coming to an end, have you had any thoughts on your experience interviewing young adolescents?

Did you have any expectations at the beginning of this project of what the experience as an interviewer might be like?

- If yes, did these expectations change during the course of the research? How? Why do you think that was?
- If no, was there anything during the course of this research that you had / hadn't expected?

Were there any questions or aspects of this research that you found challenging? Why?

Did you have any questions that you particularly looked forward to / did not look forward to asking? Why?

Were there any moments that surprised you when doing interviews? Why?

Can you describe the experience of being interviewer 1 or interviewer 2? Were they different? How? Why?

What was it like having two interviewers in the room? Do you think it changed the experience? Why? How?

How did you find using the flip chart during the interview?

- Was the experience of having this different to interviews where you didn't have this?
- How did you feel as interviewer using that?

How did you find using the datasheet? What were the pros and cons?

How did you feel listening to the adolescent's abortion trajectories? Probe on whether there were any differences in how they experienced / responded to respondents depending on type of trajectory

Did that change if you were Interviewer 1 or Interviewer 2?

Did your experience as an interviewer change depending on the respondent

- If yes, why? Did it change based on age? Based on presentation?
- Did that change if you were Interviewer 1 or Interviewer 2?

Were there any things that you heard that were challenging / emotive / interesting?

- If yes, what were they and why did it have that impact on you?
- How did you respond / manage your responses when you heard these things?
- Did that change if you were Interviewer 1 or Interviewer 2?

How did you feel when respondents express positive thoughts / emotions towards having an abortion?

- Why?
- Were you surprised when respondents answered like this?
- Did it change your experience during the interview?

Is there anything else that you found while being an interviewer on a project relating to adolescents and abortion?