

# **Assessing Community Health Programs**

## **A Participant's Manual and Workbook**

**Using LQAS for Baseline Surveys  
and Regular Monitoring**

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## **MODULE ONE**

### **Why should I do a survey and why should I use the LQAS method?**

**Session 1: Introducing Participants and the Training/Survey**

**Session 2: Uses of Surveys**

**Session 3: Random Sampling**

**Session 4: Using LQAS Sampling for Surveys**

**Session 5: Using LQAS for Baseline Surveys**

## **Getting to Know Each Other**

- 1. What organization are you from?**
- 2. What is your position/what do you do?**
- 3. What is your interest in doing surveys?**
- 4. What kind of experience do you have with surveys?**



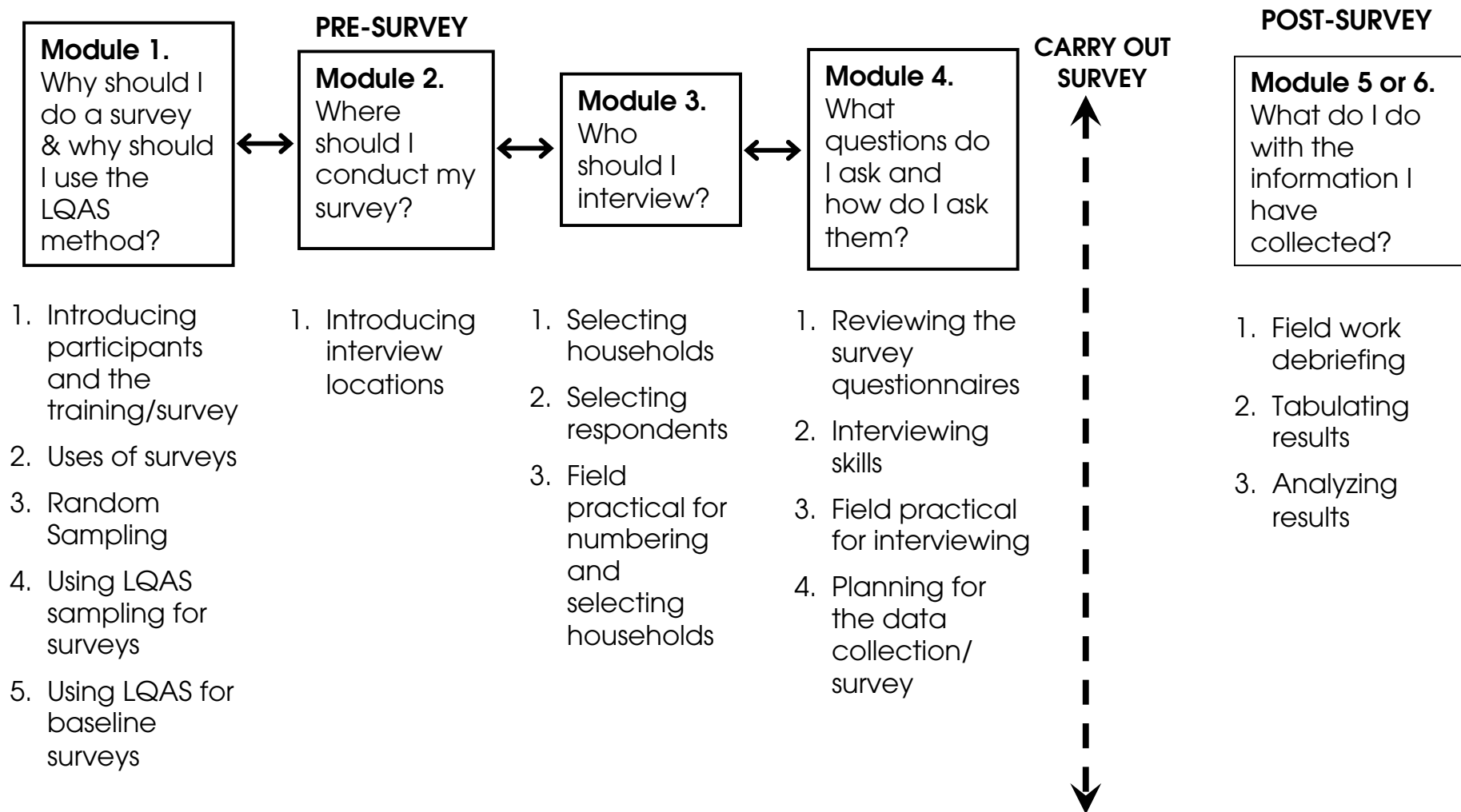
## **Purpose of the LQAS Workshop**

- **Train participants in how to conduct surveys to collect data for establishing baselines and for regular monitoring.**
  
- **Train participants in how to analyze data to identify priorities for improving program coverage.**

## **Skills to Be Learned**

- **LQAS Sampling Methods**
  
- **Interviewing Techniques**
  
- **Data Tabulation and Analysis for Program Improvement**

## Overview of the LQAS Training



## **Abbreviated Agenda for Modules 1-4: Sampling and Data Collection Workshop**

### **Day 1**

#### **Morning**

Opening and Introductions  
Uses of Surveys  
Random Sampling  
Using LQAS

#### **Afternoon**

Using LQAS continued  
Identifying Interview Locations – communities  
Selecting Households

### **Day 2**

#### **Morning**

Selecting Respondents  
Field Practical for Numbering and Selecting Households

#### **Afternoon**

Review and Discuss Field Practical  
Review Survey Questionnaires

### **Day 3**

#### **Morning**

Review Survey Questionnaires cont.  
Interviewing Techniques

#### **Afternoon**

Field Practical for Interviewing

### **Day 4**

#### **Morning**

Review and Discuss Field Practical  
Improving Interviewing Skills  
Develop Final Plans for Data Collection

#### **Afternoon**

Develop Final Plans for Data Collection cont.  
Workshop Certificates Awarded and Closing

## **Abbreviated Agenda for Module 5 (Baselines): Tabulation and Data Analysis Workshop**

### **Day 1**

#### **Morning**

- Opening and Welcome Back
- Field Work Debriefing
- Lessons Learned During the Data Collection
- Agreement on Correct Answers on Questionnaires
- How to Use the Tabulation Tables

#### **Afternoon**

- Calculating Average Coverage and its Importance
- Two Exercises: Using the Tabulation Tables
- Begin Tabulation in Stages

### **Day 2**

#### **Morning**

- Continue Tabulation in Stages

#### **Afternoon**

- Continue Tabulation in Stages

### **Day 3**

#### **Morning**

- Continue Tabulation in Stages

#### **Afternoon**

- Continue Tabulation in Stages
- How to Analyze LQAS Data and Identify Priorities
- Preparing a Baseline Report
- Next Steps and the Future

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### **Day 1**

#### **Morning**

- Opening and Welcome Back
- Field Work Debriefing
- Lessons Learned During the Data Collection
- Agreement on Correct Answers on Questionnaires
- How to Use the Tabulation Tables

#### **Afternoon**

- Calculating Average Coverage and its Importance
- Reviewing Performance Benchmarks for the Project
- Two Exercises: Using the Tabulation Tables
- Begin Tabulation in Stages

### **Day 2**

#### **Morning**

- Continue Tabulation in Stages

#### **Afternoon**

- Continue Tabulation in Stages

### **Day 3**

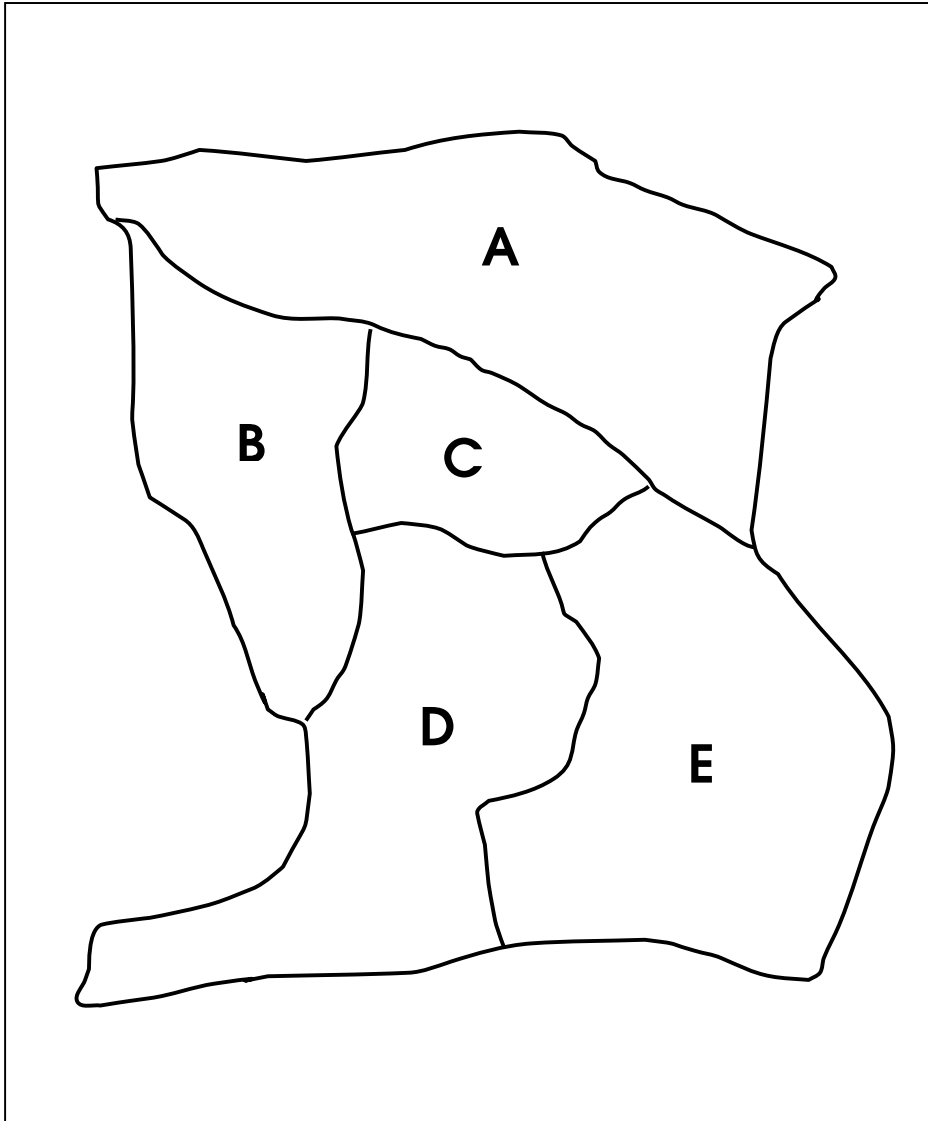
#### **Morning**

- Continue Tabulation in Stages

#### **Afternoon**

- Continue Tabulation in Stages
- How to Analyze LQAS Data and Identify Priorities Using Average Coverage and Performance Benchmarks
- Preparing a Monitoring and/or Evaluation Report
- Next Steps and the Future

## Defining Catchment Area and Supervision Areas



Together, A, B, C, D, and E represent the Catchment Area,

A, B, C, D, and E represent 5 Supervision Areas.

## **What is Coverage?**

**An important use of surveys  
is to measure coverage.**

- **What is coverage?**
  
- **Why is it important to know about coverage?**



## What Surveys Can Show You

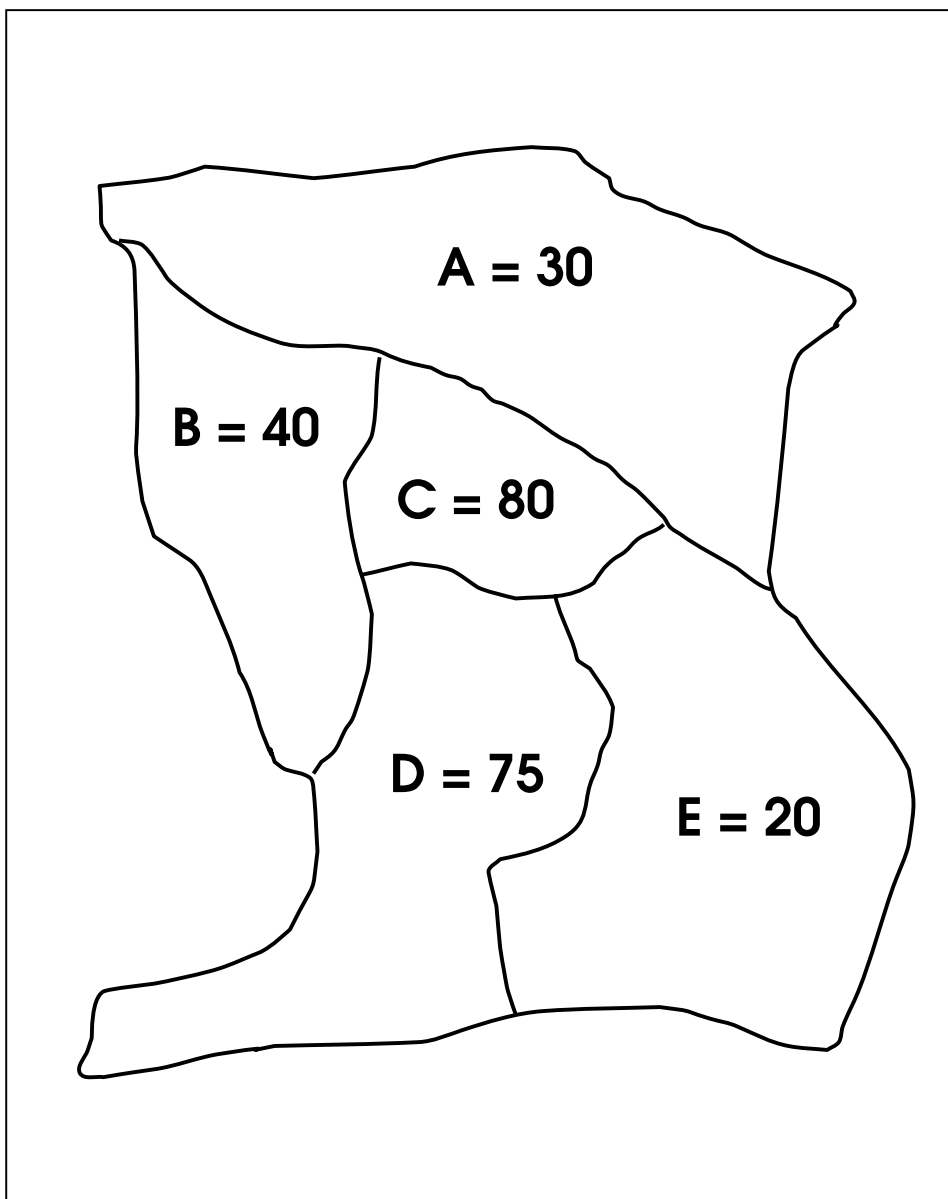
Surveys can help you identify the level of coverage of the program area as a whole, AND if there are:

- **large** differences in coverage regarding health knowledge and practices among Supervision Areas
  
- **little** difference in coverage regarding health knowledge and practices among Supervision Areas

## NGO PROGRAM: Scenario One (1)

Supervision Areas: A - E

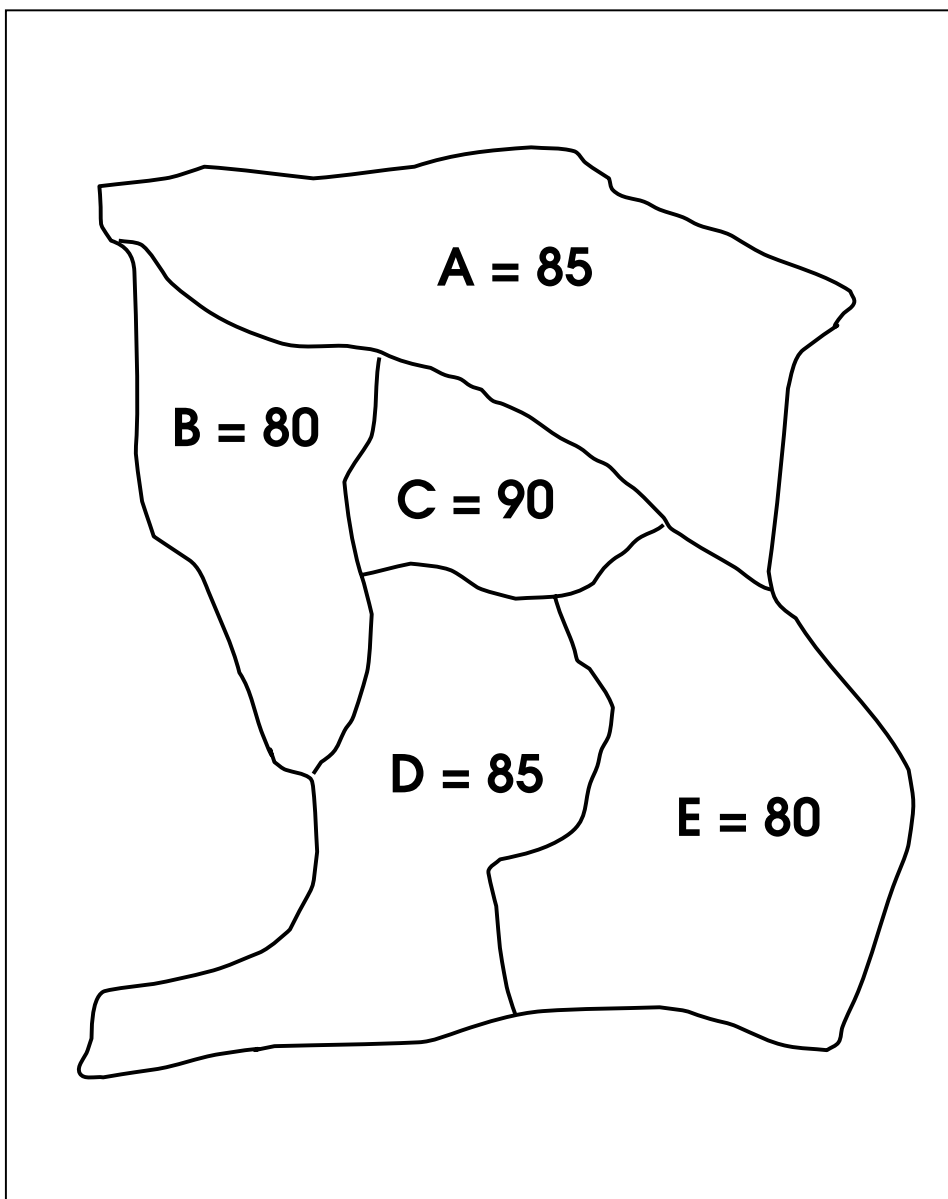
Indicator: Percentage of women (15-49) who know 2 or more ways to prevent HIV transmission.



## NGO PROGRAM: Scenario Two (2)

### Supervision Areas: A - E

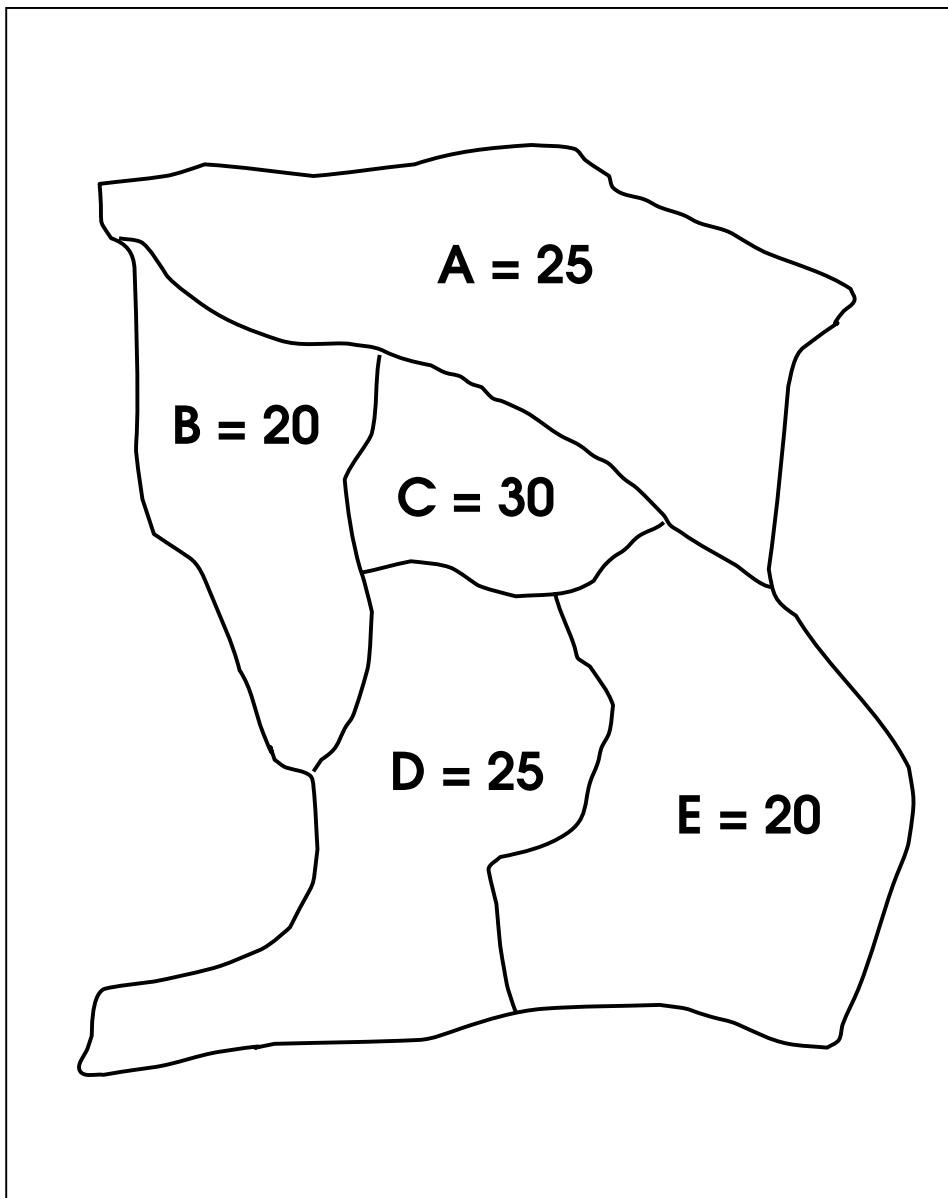
Indicator: Percentage of women (15-49) who know 2 or more ways to prevent HIV transmission.



## NGO PROGRAM: Scenario Three (3)

Supervision Areas: A - E

Indicator: Percentage of women (15-49) who know 2 or more ways to prevent HIV transmission.



## Using Survey Data

**Indicator: Percentage of women (15-49) who know at least two ways to prevent HIV transmission**

Possible Scenarios			
Supervision Area	Scenario One (1) True Coverage (%)	Scenario Two (2) True Coverage (%)	Scenario Three (3) True Coverage (%)
A	30	85	25
B	40	80	20
C	80	90	30
D	75	85	25
E	20	80	20

### Analysis:

Look only at the true coverage figures within your assigned scenario (1, 2 or 3):

1. Discuss for a few minutes the differences in coverage among the 5 Supervision Areas *within your scenario*:
  - What is the difference in coverage among the 5 Supervision Areas?
  - How different is this? Very different? Little difference?
2. Does coverage for the overall program area appear HIGH, LOW, or MIXED?
3. What may be possible reasons for why, in your scenario, the program area has this coverage?
4. What might you propose to do about HIV/AIDS in the program area?

## Uses of Surveys

Identify health knowledge and practices with:

### 1. **Large differences in coverage among Supervision Areas (SAs).**

- Identify the low-coverage SAs to be able to:
  - learn causes of low coverage.
  - focus our efforts and resources on these SAs.
  - improve coverage of the whole NGO program area by improving coverage in these SAs.
- Identify high-coverage SAs to be able to:
  - study and learn what is working well.
  - identify things that can be applied to other SAs.

### 2. **Little difference in coverage among SAs.**

- If coverage is generally high, shift resources to improve other health knowledge and practices.
- If coverage is generally low:
  - learn causes of low coverage.
  - identify/study other NGO program areas to learn what is working well.
  - identify things that can be applied in your own program area.

## Why Random Sample?

Sampling allows you to use the “*few*” to describe the “*whole*,” and this:

➤ **Saves time**

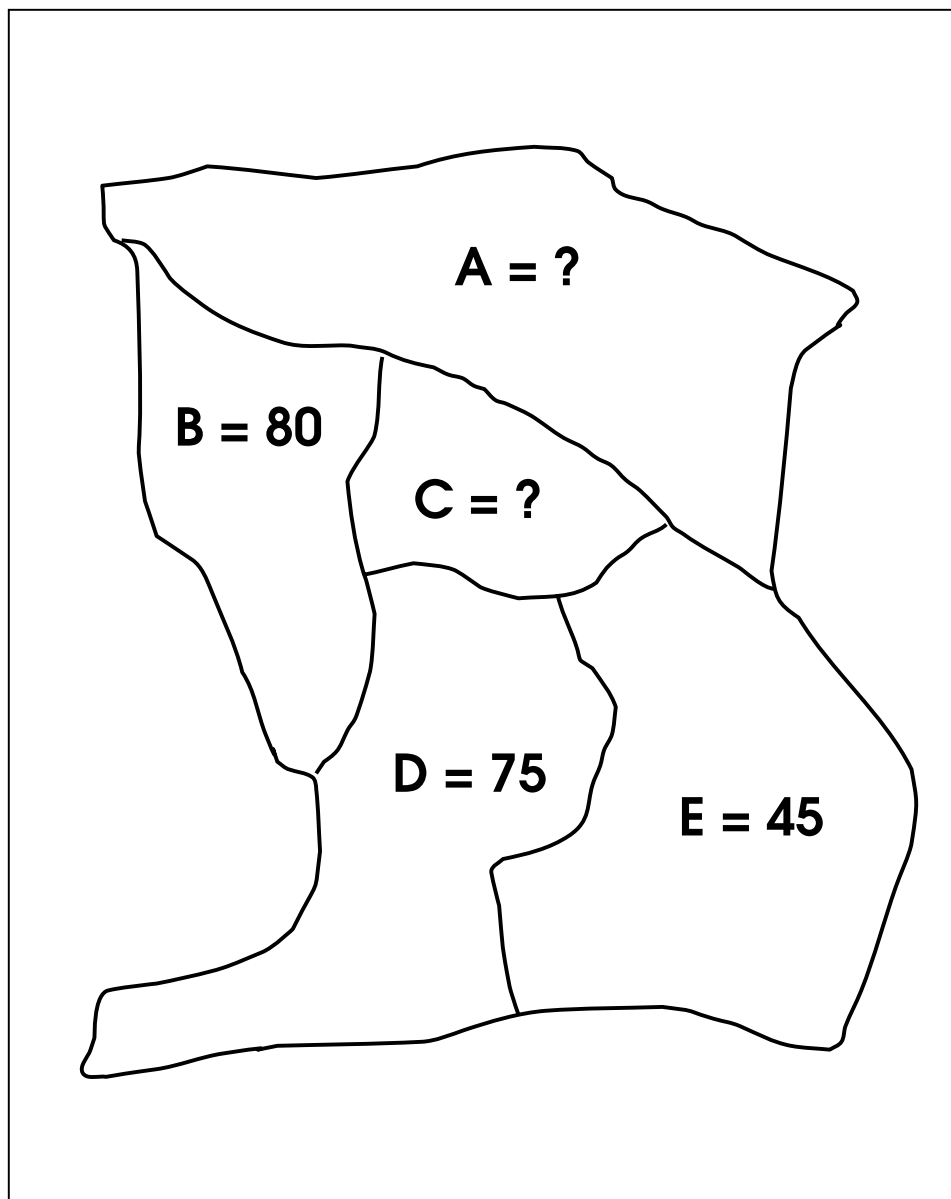
**and**

➤ **Saves money**

## NGO PROGRAM: Scenario Four (4)

Supervision Areas: A - E

Indicator: Percentage of women (15-49) who know at least 2 ways to prevent HIV transmission.





## LQAS Sampling Results

Indicator: Percentage of women (15-49) who know at least 2 ways to prevent HIV transmission

Sample	Supervision Areas: NGO Program Area	
	A	C
	Number Correct (green marbles)	Number Correct (green marbles)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		



Verify "coverage" in the bag for SA A → 
$$\frac{\text{Total green marbles in the bag}}{\text{Total green and red marbles in the bag}} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{000}}}{\boxed{\phantom{000}}} = \boxed{\phantom{000}}\%$$

Verify "coverage" in the bag for SA C → 
$$\frac{\text{Total green marbles in the bag}}{\text{Total green and red marbles in the bag}} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{000}}}{\boxed{\phantom{000}}} = \boxed{\phantom{000}}\%$$

**LQAS Table:** Decision Rules for Sample Sizes of 12-30 and Coverage Targets/Average of 10%-95%

Sample Size*	Average Coverage (Baselines) / Annual Coverage Target (Monitoring and Evaluation)																	
	10%	15%	20%	25%	30%	35%	40%	45%	50%	55%	60%	65%	70%	75%	80%	85%	90%	95%
12	N/A	N/A	1	1	2	2	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	8	9	10	11
13	N/A	N/A	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	6	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	11
14	N/A	N/A	1	1	2	3	4	4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	11	12
15	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	3	4	5	6	6	7	8	9	10	10	11	12	13
16	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13	14
17	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
18	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	3	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	11	12	13	14	16
19	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	16	17	18
22	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	12	13	14	15	16	18	19
23	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	6	7	8	10	11	12	13	14	16	17	18	20
24	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	6	7	9	10	11	13	14	15	16	18	19	21
25	N/A	1	2	2	4	5	6	8	9	10	12	13	14	16	17	18	20	21
26	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6	8	9	11	12	14	15	16	18	19	21	22
27	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	20	21	23
28	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	10	12	13	15	16	18	19	21	22	24
29	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	10	12	13	15	17	18	20	21	23	25
30	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	11	12	14	16	17	19	20	22	24	26

N/A: *Not Applicable*, meaning LQAS can not be used in this assessment because the coverage is either too low or too high to assess an SA. This table assumes the lower threshold is 30 percentage points below the upper threshold.

-  : light-shaded cells indicate where *alpha* or *beta* errors are greater than or equal to 10%.
-  : dark-shaded cells indicate where *alpha* or *beta* errors are greater than 15%.

## **What a Random Sample of 19 Can Tell Us**

- **Good for deciding what are the higher-performing Supervision Areas to learn from**
- **Good for deciding what are the lower-performing Supervision Areas**
- **Good for differentiating knowledge/practices that have high coverage from those of low coverage**
- **Good for setting priorities among Supervision Areas with large differences in coverage**
- **Good for setting priorities among knowledge/practices within an SA**

**(If one intervention is high but the other is low, we would concentrate on the low-coverage intervention.)**

## What a Random Sample of 19 Cannot Tell Us

- **Not good for calculating exact coverage in an SA (but can be used to calculate coverage for an entire program)**
  
- **Not good for setting priorities among Supervision Areas that have little difference in coverage among them**

## Why Use a Random Sample of 19?

- **A sample of 19 provides an acceptable level of error for making management decisions; at least 92% of the time it correctly identifies SAs that have reached their coverage target.**
  
- **Samples larger than 19 have practically the same statistical precision as 19. They do not result in better information, and they cost more.**

## Five Supervision Areas & One Indicator

SUPERVISION AREA: A, B, C, D or E			
Indicator: Women who know at least 2 ways to prevent HIV transmission	Number Correct	Coverage Estimate =	Equal to or Above Average? Yes or No
Supervision Area A	12	<b>65.3%</b>	Yes
Supervision Area B	9		No
Supervision Area C	16	Decision Rule = <b>11</b>	Yes
Supervision Area D	11		Yes
Supervision Area E	14		Yes

1. Add Number Correct in all SAs:  $12 + 9 + 16 + 11 + 14 = 62$   
 Add all Samples' Sizes:  $19 + 19 + 19 + 19 + 19 = 95$   
 Coverage Estimate = Average Coverage =  $62/95 = 65.3\% = 70\%$   
 (Round upward to the nearest interval of 5 to find the Decision Rule)
2. Use table to find Decision Rule.
3. Is coverage in Supervision Areas generally equal to or below average? Yes or No?
4. Can you identify Supervision Areas that are your priorities?
5. If yes, which are they? If not, why can't you identify them?

## **LQAS Concepts for Baseline Surveys**

- **“Average Coverage”** for a question/ indicator is the number of people in the sample who responded correctly to a question, divided by the total number of people responding to that question.
  
- **The “Decision Rule”** tells you whether an individual Supervision Area reaches the average coverage or is below average coverage.

## Five Supervision Areas & One Indicator: Participant Worksheet – For Baseline Surveys

Indicator: Women who used condoms each time with intercourse	Number Correct	Coverage Estimate =	Equal to or Above Average? Yes or No
Supervision Area A	7	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 40px;"></div>	
Supervision Area B	3		
Supervision Area C	2	Decision Rule (Using the LQAS Table) =	
Supervision Area D	13		
Supervision Area E	14		<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 30px;"></div>

**Questions:**

1. For baseline surveys, add number correct in all SAs:

$$7 + 3 + 2 + 13 + 14 = 39$$

Add all sample sizes:  $19 + 19 + 19 + 19 + 19 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Average coverage = \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ %

2. What is the Decision Rule?
3. Is coverage in SAs generally equal to or above average? Yes or No?
4. Can you identify Supervision Areas that are your priorities?
5. If yes, which are they? If not, why can't you identify them?



## Supervision Area A & Five Indicators

	Indicators	Number Correct	Coverage Estimate	Decision Rule	Equal to or Above Average? Yes or No
1	Women who used condoms each time with intercourse	7	45%	6	
2	Men who used condoms each time with intercourse	4	20%		
3	Women who know how HIV is transmitted	4	45%		
4	Men who know how HIV is transmitted	13	65%		
5	Women who know where to get tested for HIV	6	30%		

**Questions:**

1. Can you identify indicators that are your priorities?
2. If yes, which indicators are they? If not, why can't you identify them?

## Comparing Supervision Areas A, B, C, D, & E (for baseline survey)

Indicators		Supervision Area				
		A	B	C	D	E
1	Women who used condoms each time with intercourse				Y	Y
2	Men who used condoms each time with intercourse	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
3	Women who know how HIV is transmitted	N	N	Y	N	Y
4	Men who know how HIV is transmitted	Y	Y	N	N	Y
5	Women who know where to get tested for HIV	Y	Y	Y	N	Y

### Questions:

1. Which Supervision Area(s) appears to be performing the best for all 5 indicators: A, B, C, D, or E? \_\_\_\_
2. Which SA(s) appears to need the most support for their overall program: A, B, C, D, or E? \_\_\_\_
3. Which indicator(s) needs improvement across most of the catchment area? \_\_\_\_
4. Which indicator(s) needs improvement in only a few SAs? \_\_\_\_
5. For these weaker indicators:
  - Which SA(s) needs special attention? \_\_\_\_
  - Which SA(s) would you visit to learn possible ways to improve these weaker indicators? \_\_\_\_

## **MODULE TWO**

### **Where should I conduct my survey?**

#### **Session 1: Identifying Interview Locations**

## Identifying Locations for Interviews

- Step 1. List communities and total population.**
- Step 2. Calculate the cumulative population.**
- Step 3. Calculate the sampling interval.**
- Step 4. Choose a random number.**
- Step 5. Beginning with the random number, use the sampling interval to identify communities for the 19 sets of interviews.**

## List of Communities and Total Population for a Supervision Area

Name of Community	Total Population
Pagai	548
Santai	730
Serina	686
Mulrose	280
Fanta	1256
Bagia	684
Rostam	919
Mt. Sil	1374
Livton	1136
Farry	544
Tunis	193
Pulau	375
Sasarota	333
Pingra	3504
Kanata	336
Sirvish	2115
Balding	258
Rescuut	678
Krista	207
Manalopa	1162
Garafa	408
Spiltar	455
Masraf	978
Abrama	335
Junagadh	541
Singri	725
Kalarata	355
Ichimota	498
Chaplar	347
Sr. Kitt	186
Nevis	1346
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23489</b>

## Calculate the Cumulative Population

Name of Community	Total Population	Cumulative Population
Pagai	548	548
Santai	730	
Serina	686	
Mulrose	280	
Fanta	1256	3500
Bagia	684	4184
Rostam	919	5103
Mt. Sil	1374	6477
Livton	1136	7610
Farry	544	8154
Tunis	193	8347
Pulau	375	8722
Sasarota	333	9055
Pingra	3504	12559
Kanata	336	12895
Sirvish	2115	15010
Balding	258	15268
Rescuut	678	15946
Krista	207	16153
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Spiltar	455	18178
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Abrama	335	
Junagadh	541	
Singri	725	
Kalarata	355	
Ichimota	498	
Chaplar	347	
Sr. Kitt	186	
Nevis	1346	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23489</b>	

## Calculate the Sampling Interval

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Fanta	1256	3500
Bagia	684	4184
Rostam	919	5103
Mt. Sil	1374	6477
Livton	1136	7610
Farry	544	8154
Tunis	193	8347
Pulau	375	8722
Sasarota	333	9055
Pingra	3504	12559
Kanata	336	12895
Sirvish	2115	15010
Balding	258	15268
Rescuut	678	15946
Krista	207	16153
Manalopa	1162	17315
Garafa	408	17723
Spiltar	455	18178
Masraf	978	19156
Abrama	335	19491
Junagadh	541	20032
Singri	725	20757
Kalarata	355	21112
Ichimota	498	21610
Chaplar	347	21957
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23489</b>	--

**Sampling Interval = Total Cumulative Population/19 = ?**

## A Random Number Table

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86248	71156	55044	13045	33161	95604	57876	23367	10768	78193	60477	70307	06498	48793
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37137	47689	82466	24243	10756	54009	44053	74870	28352	66389	38729	80349	50509	56465
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20311	96089	20141	30362	04980	32703	04202	91080	28660	89691	84660	73433	70169	11273
10941	73003	87930	85620	06956	38719	88711	61454	64076	13316	02203	54437	54306	78229
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92041	68829	02163	59918	83041	71241	90678	79835	86324	13075	29913	99831	25688	53648
71240	74119	53090	23693	14007	90107	68804	54927	68964	26535	28184	21630	12362	67990



## Identify the Location of Each of the 19 Interviews in a Supervision Area: Worksheet

**Random Number = 622      Sampling Interval = 1236.26**

LQAS No.	Calculation	Interview Location
1.	Random Number (RN) = Location Number 1	<b>622</b>
2.	RN + Sampling Interval = Location Number 2	622+1236.26= <b>1858.26</b>
3.	Interview Location Number 2 + Sampling Interval	1858.26+1236.26= <b>3094.52</b>
4.	Interview Location Number 3 + Sampling Interval	3094.52+1236.26= <b>4330.78</b>
5.	Interview Location Number 4 + Sampling Interval	
6.	Interview Location Number 5 + Sampling Interval	
7.	Interview Location Number 6 + Sampling Interval	
8.	Interview Location Number 7 + Sampling Interval	
9.	Interview Location Number 8 + Sampling Interval	
10.	Interview Location Number 9 + Sampling Interval	
11.	Interview Location Number 10 + Sampling Interval	
12.	Interview Location Number 11 + Sampling Interval	
13.	Interview Location Number 12 + Sampling Interval	
14.	Interview Location Number 13 + Sampling Interval	
15.	Interview Location Number 14 + Sampling Interval	
16.	Interview Location Number 15 + Sampling Interval	
17.	Interview Location Number 16 + Sampling Interval	
18.	Interview Location Number 17 + Sampling Interval	
19.	Interview Location Number 18 + Sampling Interval	

## LQAS Sampling Frame for a Supervision Area

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Pingra	3504	12559		
Kanata	336	12895		
Sirvish	2115	15010	<del>12984.6, 14220.86</del>	
Balding	258	15268		
Rescuut	678	15946	<del>15457.12</del>	
Krista	207	16153		
Manalopa	1162	17315	<del>16693.38</del>	
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Masraf	978	19156		
Abrama	335	19491	<del>19165.90</del>	
Junagadh	541	20032		
Singri	725	20757	<del>20402.16</del>	
Kalarata	355	21112		
Ichimota	498	21610		
Chaplar	347	21957	<del>21638.42</del>	
Sr. Kitt	186	22143		
Nevis	1346	23489	<del>22874.68</del>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23489</b>			<b>19</b>

## **MODULE THREE**

### **Whom should I interview?**

**Session 1: Selecting Households**

**Session 2: Selecting Respondents**

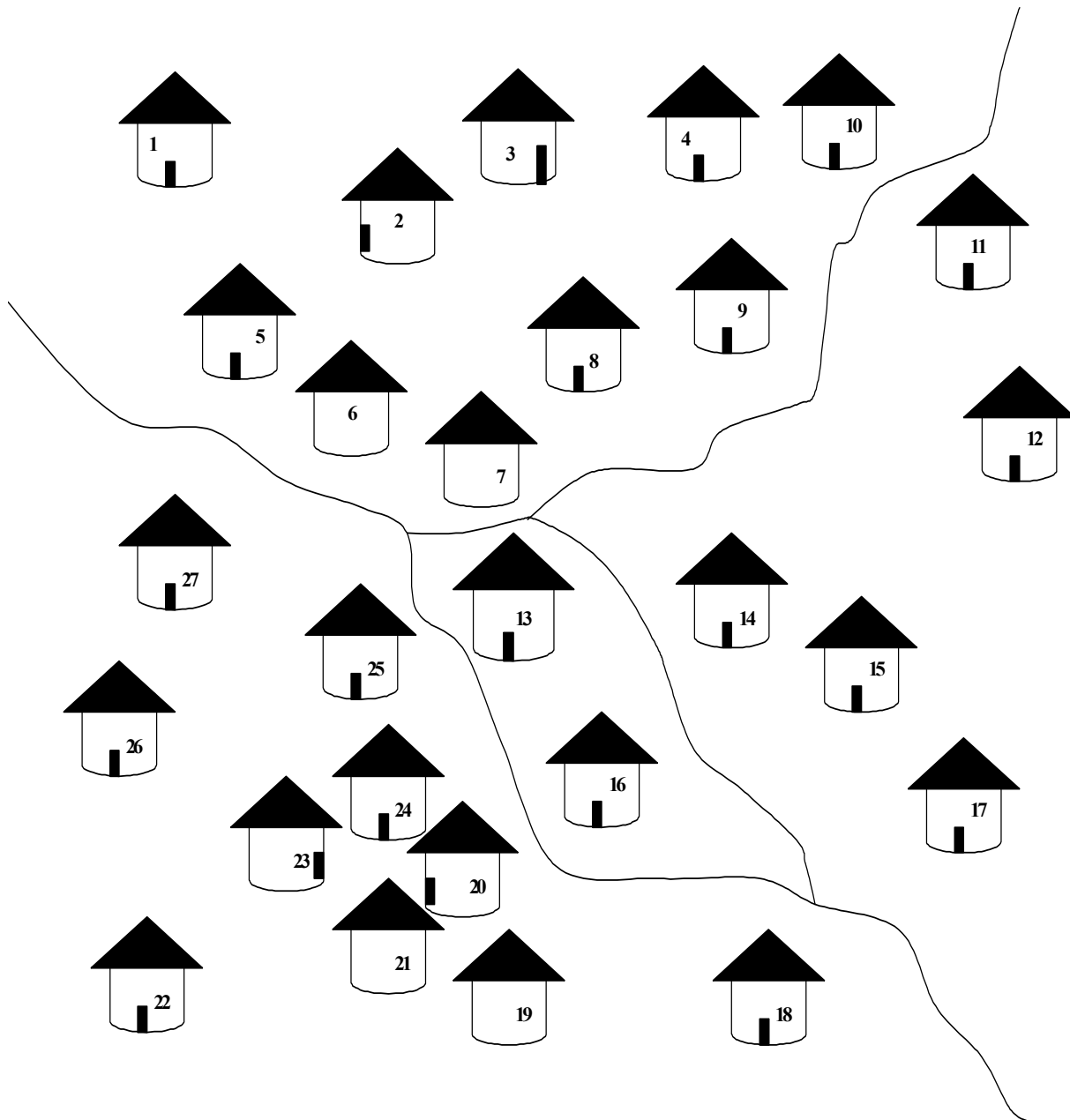
**Session 3: Field Practical for Numbering and  
Selecting Households**

## How to Assign Numbers to Households

IF:	THEN:
A complete household* list is available (tax list, census, map)	Assign a number to each house...  ...Work is done!
If the community size is "about" 30 households or less	Make a household list or map with the location of each household (use assistance of a key informant from the community)...  And then assign a number to each house...  <b>(... Alternatively, you can use the "spin-the-bottle" technique ...)</b>  ... Work is done!
If the community size is more than "about" 30 households	Subdivide the community into 2-5 sections with about the same number of households in each section. ...Select one section at random...  ...If the section has more houses than you can easily count, subdivide into 2-5 sections again and select one at random. Continue doing this until few houses remain.  ...Make a house list or map with the location of each household (use an assistant or key informant from your community). Then assign a number to each house.  <b>(... Alternatively, you can use the "spin-the-bottle" technique ...)</b>  ...Work is done!

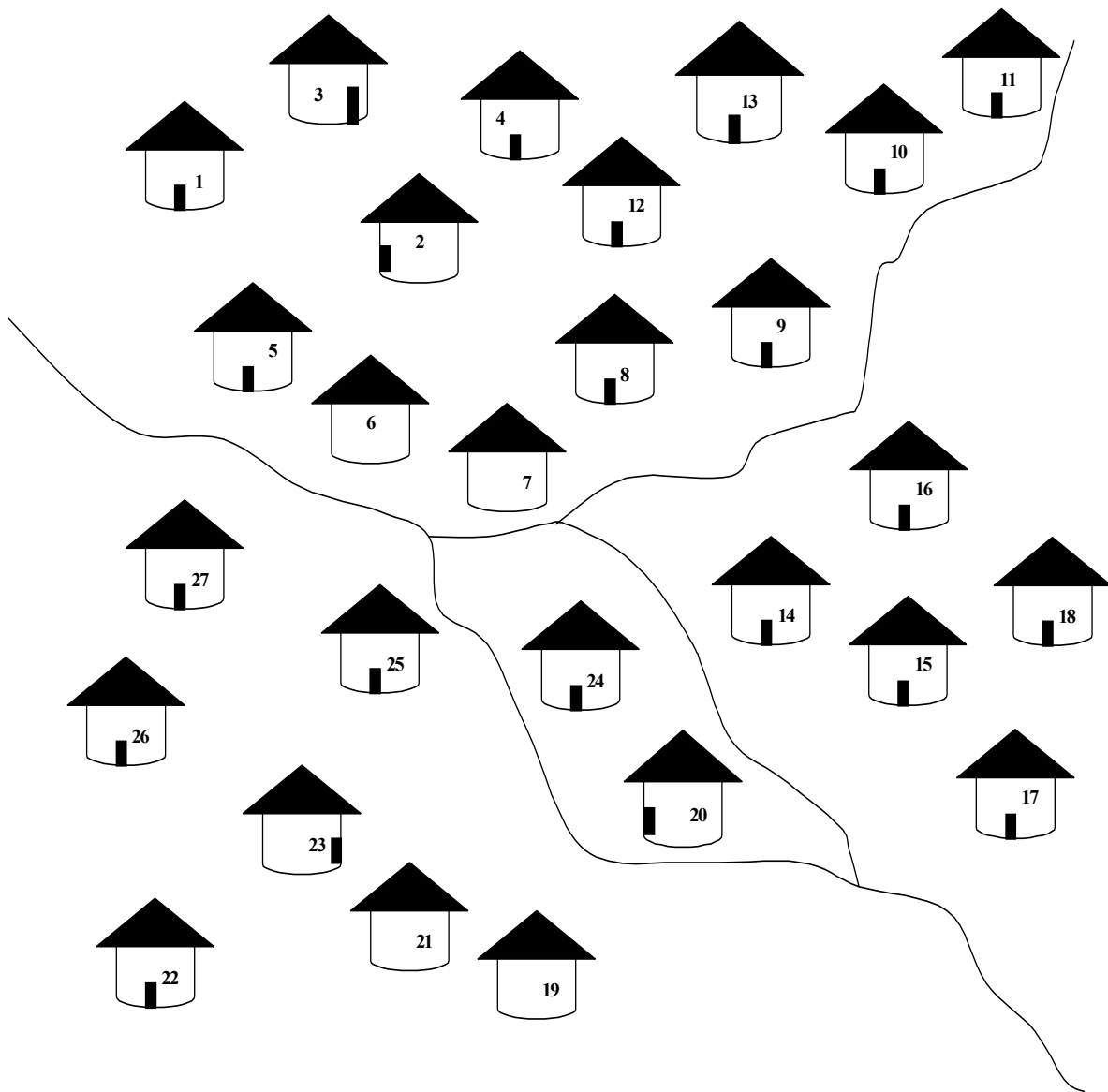
\* Household = group of persons who share the same kitchen or hearth; or, a group of persons who eat from the same cooking pot.

## Situation 2: Household List Not Available – Size ‘About’ 30





## Group of 27 Households Numbered for Random Selection of 1 Household



## Rules for Identifying Respondents

If the type of respondent you are looking for:	Then:
Is at the household* you selected	<u>Interview</u> that person <u>if</u> he/she consents.
Does <u>not</u> live at the household you selected	Go to the next-nearest household <u>from the front entrance</u> to the household you are at, and check at this "next-nearest" household... <u>Continue</u> this process <u>until</u> you find the respondent type you are looking for.
Lives at that household <b>BUT</b> is absent and far away ( <u>more than 30</u> minutes away)	(Hint: if 2 households are equally near, then choose the one with the closest door. Otherwise, "flip a coin.")
Lives at that household, is absent <b>BUT</b> is nearby ( <u>within 30</u> minutes)	Go <u>find</u> the respondent with the help of a guide from the community.... <b>IF</b> you <u>cannot</u> find the person in the next 30 minutes... <b>GO</b> to the next-nearest household <u>from the front entrance</u> of the household of the person you cannot find.

\* Household = group of persons who share the same kitchen or hearth; or, a group of persons who eat from the same cooking pot.



## 24 Household Composition Scenarios

### ◆ Household #1

- Mother 35 years with children 6 months old and 23 months old
- Sister of woman is 23 years old
- Grandmother is 50 years old

### ◆ Household #2

- Mother 18 years old with child 24 months, pregnant
- Father 26 years

### ◆ Household #3

- Abandoned house – owners absent

### ◆ Household #4

- Girl 12 years old
- 3-month-old baby
- Mother of 3-month-old in market, and she is the sister of the 12-year-old
- 6-month-old baby
- Mother of 6-month-old is dead; she was also the sister of the 12-year-old girl
- Father in nearby field

### ◆ Household #5

- Man 65 years
- Man's wife 60 years
- Mother of 15-month-old absent in field nearby – might be pregnant, doesn't know
- 15-month-old baby
- Father in city

◆ **Household #6**

- Father 45 years old
- One wife, 48 years old
- Daughter, 24 years and pregnant
- Children 2 and 3 years old

◆ **Household #7**

- Mother of 9-year-old child is not home – child does not know when mother will be back
- 9-year-old child
- 8-month-old child of woman

◆ **Household #8**

- Mother and father are not at home
- 15-year-old girl and 16-year-old boy are present

◆ **Household #9**

- 18-year-old son
- Mother of 18-year-old is 40
- Father of 18-year-old is 70
- 18-month-old child of mother's sister is in city

◆ **Household #10**

- Woman 20 years old with child 6 months
- Sister of 20-year-old is 25 years old and has child 3 years old
- 3<sup>rd</sup> sister 30 years old with 12-month-old baby
- 2 husbands, one is 25 years old, the other is 32 years – both in market playing cards

◆ **Household #11**

- 10-year-old sister
- 30-year-old aunt – she is pregnant
- Woman 75 years old, mother of pregnant aunt
- Grandfather 80 years old
- Mother and her children in the city

◆ **Household #12**

- Mother 35 years old – pregnant
- Child of pregnant mother is 13 months old
- Neighbor woman is 35 years old
- Neighbor's 10-month-old baby

◆ **Household #13**

- Girl 10 years old
- 35-year-old sister of 10-year-old is at neighbor's house
- 10-month-old baby with mother at neighbor's house

◆ **Household #14**

- 8-month-old twin girls
- Mother of twins, 27 years old
- 40-year-old brother of mother
- 32-year-old wife of brother (of mother)

◆ **Household #15**

- New bride of 14 years with 2-month-old baby
- Her 19-year-old husband
- Mother-in-law 47 years
- Husband's 26-year-old brother visiting

◆ **Household #16**

- Refugee woman from neighboring country with 3-year-old
- Her sister, who immigrated when she was 39, about 12 years ago
- Sister's father 47 years old

◆ **Household #17**

- Guesthouse has 42-year-old female owner who lives at the guesthouse
- Guest: 42-year-old businessman
- Guest: Mother 43 years with teenage children
- Guest: 30-year-old truck driver

◆ **Household #18**

- Priest is 38 years old. He lives on the church grounds and does not maintain a separate house.
- 42-year-old female cook also lives on the church grounds.

◆ **Household #19**

- Three sisters, one with a six-week-old baby, one with an 8-month-old and one who is childless.
- Husband of sister with 8-month-old is 24 years.

◆ **Household #20**

- Mother 18 – pregnant, has 4-month-old baby
- Father is working on the roof of the house

◆ **Household #21**

- 8-year-old boy
- His 32-year-old father is taking a shower
- His mother, 24 years, is cooking dinner

◆ **Household #22**

- Mother 18 years old with child 24 months, pregnant
- Father 26 years

◆ **Household #23**

- Abandoned house – owners absent

◆ **Household #24**

- Father 45 years old
- Wife, 35 years old and pregnant

## **Process for Field Practical**

- 1. Meet with community leader.**
- 2. Revise and/or create community map.**
- 3. Subdivide the community into sections of 30 or fewer households.**
- 4. Give each section (each group of 30 or fewer households) a number.**
- 5. Select a section using a random number.**
- 6. Perform Steps 3 through 5 again if the selected section is still too large.**
- 7. Assign numbers to households in selected section.**
- 8. Select a starting household using a Random Number Table.**
- 9. Identify the “next-nearest” household at least twice.**

## **MODULE FOUR**

### **What questions do I ask and how should I ask them?**

**Session 1: Reviewing the Survey Questionnaires**  
*(no overheads needed for this section)*

**Session 2: Interviewing Skills**

**Session 3: Field Practical for Interviewing**  
*(no overheads needed for this section)*

**Session 4: Planning for the Data Collection/Survey**  
*(no overheads needed for this section)*  
*(handout only included in this section)*

## Why Interviewing is Important

- **Sound programming decisions depend on reliable data,**

**and**

- **reliable data depends on getting good information from local respondents,**

**and**

- **getting good information from respondents depends on conducting effective interviews.**

## Interview Etiquette

- **Dress appropriately.**
- **Present official document/certificate from organization or project if necessary.**
- **Be punctual (if appointments have been made).**
- **Do not enter the house unless you are invited.**
- **If you remain outside, do not ask for a chair; sit on the porch, steps, etc.**
- **Tell people how long the questionnaire will take.**
- **Do not accept lunch (unless it would be rude to refuse).**
- **Do not give gifts to interviewees.**
- **Thank interviewees at the end.**



## Effective Interviewing Techniques

1. Introduce yourself, your organization, and the purpose of the survey (show document or certificate if necessary).
2. Maintain confidentiality:
  - Do not interview the respondent in the presence of others (unless he/she indicates otherwise).
  - Explain that all answers will be kept confidential.
3. Ask questions exactly as written or with minor changes that were agreed upon during the training.
4. Wait for a response; be silent, then probe.
5. If the respondent doesn't understand or the answer is unclear, ask the question again, making as few changes in wording as possible.
6. Do not suggest—by tone of voice, facial expression, or body language—the answer you want.
7. Do not ask leading questions, questions that signal the correct answer or that suggest the answer you would like.
8. Try not to react to answers in such a way as to show that you approve or disapprove.
9. If one answer is inconsistent with another, try to clear up the confusion.
10. Try to maintain a conversational tone of voice; don't make the interview seem like an interrogation.
11. Know the local words for sensitive/delicate topics.
12. Use neutral probes, (e.g., "Anything more?")

## Survey Checklists

### 1. PRE-SURVEY CHECKLIST

Before the survey begins, be sure the following tasks have been completed:

1. Review the sampling frame before designing the plan for data collection.
2. Count the questionnaires to be sure you have 19 for the respondent type and for each Supervision Area.
3. Number questionnaires 1 through 19 for each Supervision Area.
4. Review each one of the 19 questionnaires to make sure that they have the correct number of pages and they are securely stapled.
5. Verify questionnaires have no missing pages and are securely stapled together.
6. Review the materials checklist below. Be sure you have (or have decided you don't need) the following materials:

#### **Materials Checklist**

- 19 questionnaires for correct respondent + 2 extras
- Pencil
- Pencil sharpener
- Eraser
- Clipboard
- Day pack or bag to carry questionnaires and materials
- Random number tables
- Rules to select respondents in a household
- Raincoat
- Community maps or paper for making maps
- Any 'questionnaire-specific' materials: literacy tests, ORS packets, etc.

## 2. CHECKLIST FOR DATA COLLECTORS

After you are in the field, make sure participants complete the survey in the following manner:

1. If a community census is available, number households and randomly select a starting household (and proceed as in Step 6, below).
2. If no community census is available, update community maps, as needed, before selecting starting household(s), identifying all houses in the community. If no map is available, make one, being sure to include landmarks and showing the relative number of houses in each section of the community.
3. If the community is small, e.g., less than 30 houses, number all houses. Randomly select a starting household.
4. If the community is large, e.g., more than 30 houses, divide into sections (each section with a similar number of houses):
  - number each section;
  - randomly select one of the community sections; (If you have divided the community into 3 sections, select a random number between 1 and 3.)
  - go to the selected section to confirm the number of houses and the location of each house (and, if necessary, update the community map); if the section is large, subdivide it into sub-sections and randomly select one (and repeat this process until you get a sub-section with 30 or fewer houses);
  - number on the map each house in the section or sub-section selected;
  - randomly select one house.
5. If it is very difficult to divide the community or a section of it into sections, then:
  - ask a respondent to take you to a place where exactly 50% of the houses are in front of you, 50% of the houses are behind you, 50% are to the right and 50% are to the left;
  - number these 4 sections;
  - choose one randomly;
  - go to that section and repeat the procedure until you can see a manageable number of houses you can easily count;
  - select one of those houses randomly.
6. Go to the selected house to begin interviewing.
7. If you cannot complete an interview in the selected house, visit the closest house until the interview has been completed. Continue doing this procedure until you complete all questionnaire types as instructed.
8. After completing all questionnaire types, select another starting household (or section and then household) at random if there is more than one sampling point in the community or continue to a new community.

**Remember: For each questionnaire, randomly select a starting household and then go to the closest house until the interview is complete.**

### **3. CHECKLIST FOR MANAGERS**

The following is a checklist for program managers:

1. Review the data collection plan with each interviewer and supervisor.
2. Indicate the minimum number of interviews to be completed in one day.
3. During day 1 you can let data collectors work in pairs if you think this will increase their confidence.
4. Provide the technical and administrative support required by each interviewer (transport, lunch, etc.)
5. At the end of each day always review the questionnaires of each interviewer to ensure that they have been correctly filled out and are complete. Check for any missing information or responses, and missing pages.
6. Make necessary corrections to questionnaire and inform the interviewer of problems found. If information is missing, the interviewer should revisit the house to complete the questionnaire before going to another community.
7. Confirm that all questionnaires have been filled in for each Supervision Area and that no pages are missing. If your LQAS sample size is 19 then you should have 19 completed questionnaires.
8. Organize the questionnaires by LQAS number (for example – from 1 to 19), according to the Supervision Area. For five Supervision Areas, for example, you would organize the questionnaires as follows:

Folder 1: Respondent Type A, Area 1: 01 to 19  
Folder 2: Respondent Type A, Area 2: 01 to 19  
Folder 3: Respondent Type A, Area 3: 01 to 19  
Folder 4: Respondent Type A, Area 4: 01 to 19  
Folder 5: Respondent Type A, Area 5: 01 to 19

***NB: Be sure to bring all the questionnaires to the tabulation workshop.***

**USE THIS MODULE TO CARRY OUT A BASELINE  
SURVEY FOR YOUR PROGRAM**

## **MODULE FIVE**

**What do I do with the  
information I have collected  
during baseline?**

**Session 1: Fieldwork Debriefing**

**Session 2: Tabulating Results  
(*handout*)**

**Session 3: Analyzing Results**

**Status Report on Data Collection  
 from the Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) or  
 Ministry of Health (MOH) Administrative Area:**

**NGO or MOH Administrative Area: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Total Supervision Areas Included  
 in Baseline Survey = # \_\_\_\_\_**

<b>SA Number or Name</b>	<b>No. of Questionnaires <u>Completed</u></b>	<b>No. of Questionnaires Remaining (If Any)</b>	<b>No. of Questionnaires Brought To The Workshop</b>	<b>Plan to Finish Tabulation: Dates for Data Collection, Deadline for Completion</b>
<b>1</b>				
<b>2</b>				
<b>3</b>				
<b>4</b>				
<b>5</b>				
<b>6</b>				

Result Tabulation Table for a Supervision Area: Baseline Survey and Regular Monitoring: Females 15 - 49 Years																							
Supervision Area: _____						Supervisor: _____						Date: _____											
CORRECT = 1		INCORRECT = 0		SKIPPED = S						MISSING = X													
Nº	Indicator	Correct Response Key	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total Correct in SA	Total Sample Size (all '0's and '1's)
<b>Section 3: Family Planning</b>																							
1	Age of mother at first birth	20 – 35 Years																					
2	How long should a female wait after the birth of a child to have another?	2 or more years																					
3	What can a female or male do to avoid pregnancy?	3 or more of acceptable responses (ex. 1-10)																					
<b>Section 4: HIV/AIDS and Other Sexually Transmitted Infections</b>																							
1	Have you ever heard of an illness called HIV/AIDS?	Yes (if No or Unknown then Questions 3 and 5 automatically incorrect)																					
2	Is there anything a man can do to avoid getting HIV/AIDS?	DO NOT CODE																					
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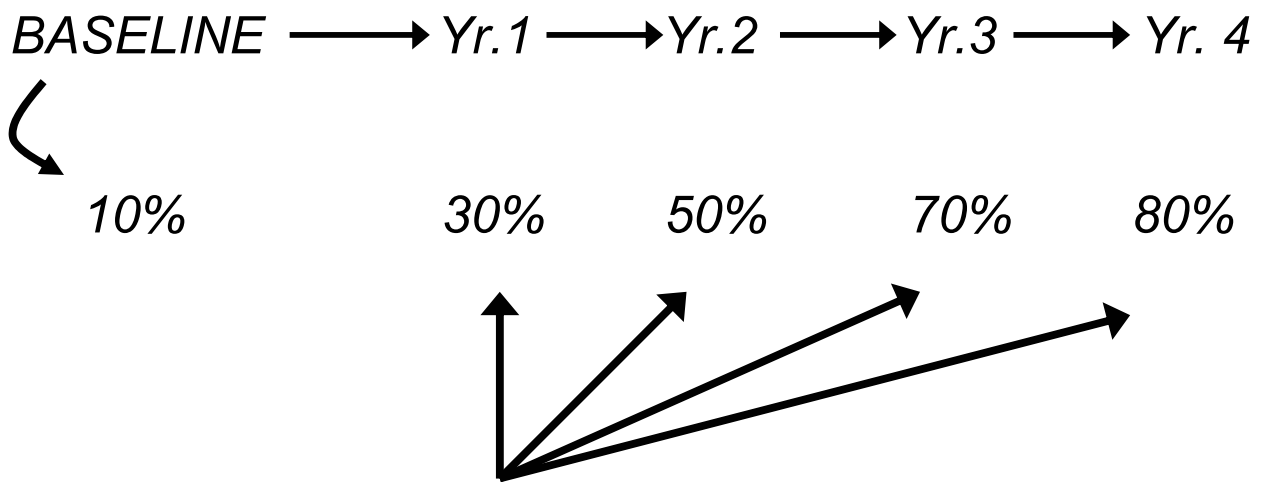
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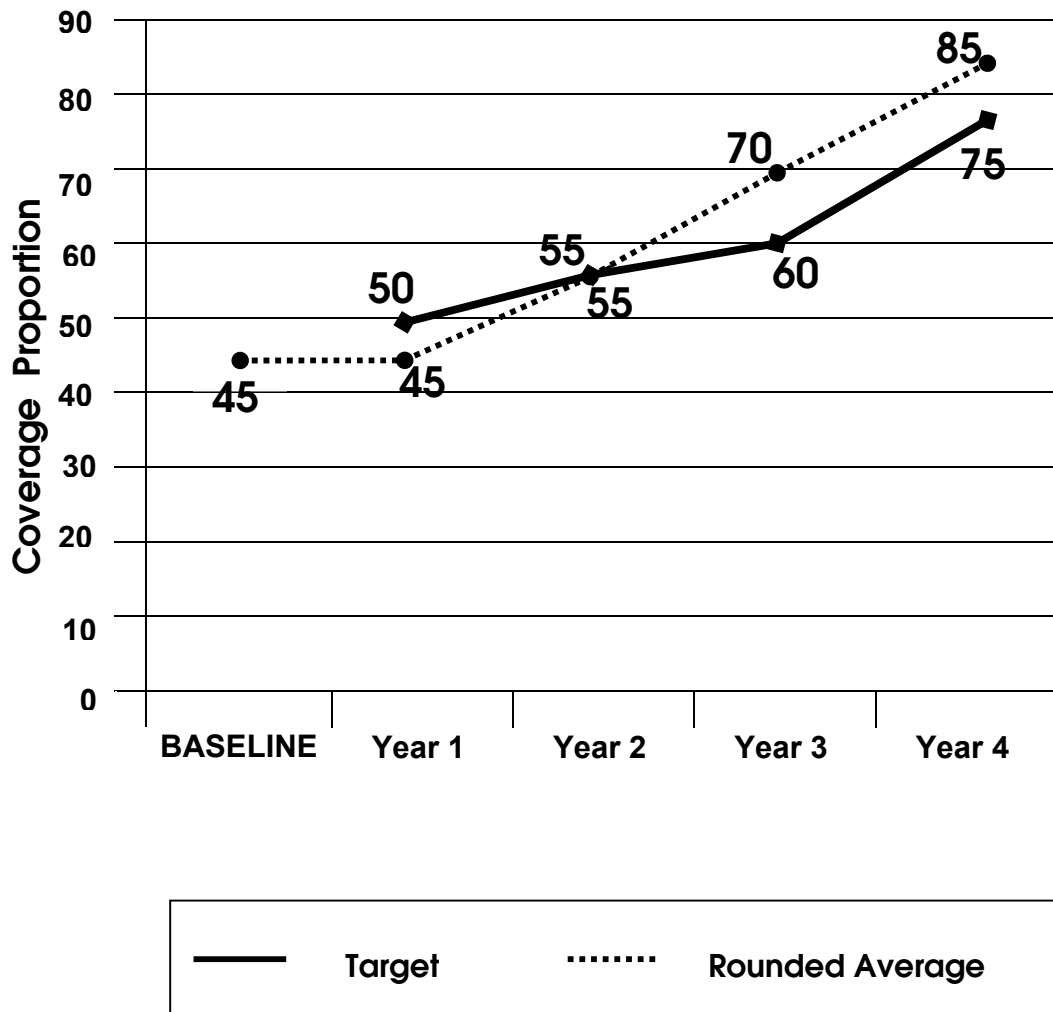
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**USE THIS SECTION FOR REGULAR  
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Result Tabulation Table for a Supervision Area: Baseline Survey and Regular Monitoring: Females 15 – 49 Years																							
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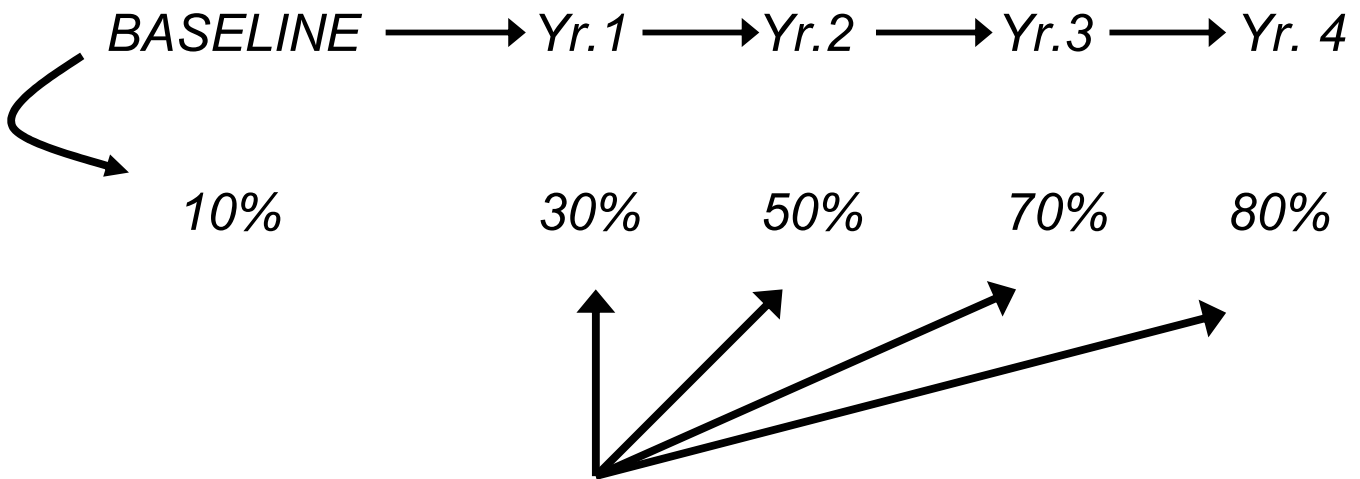
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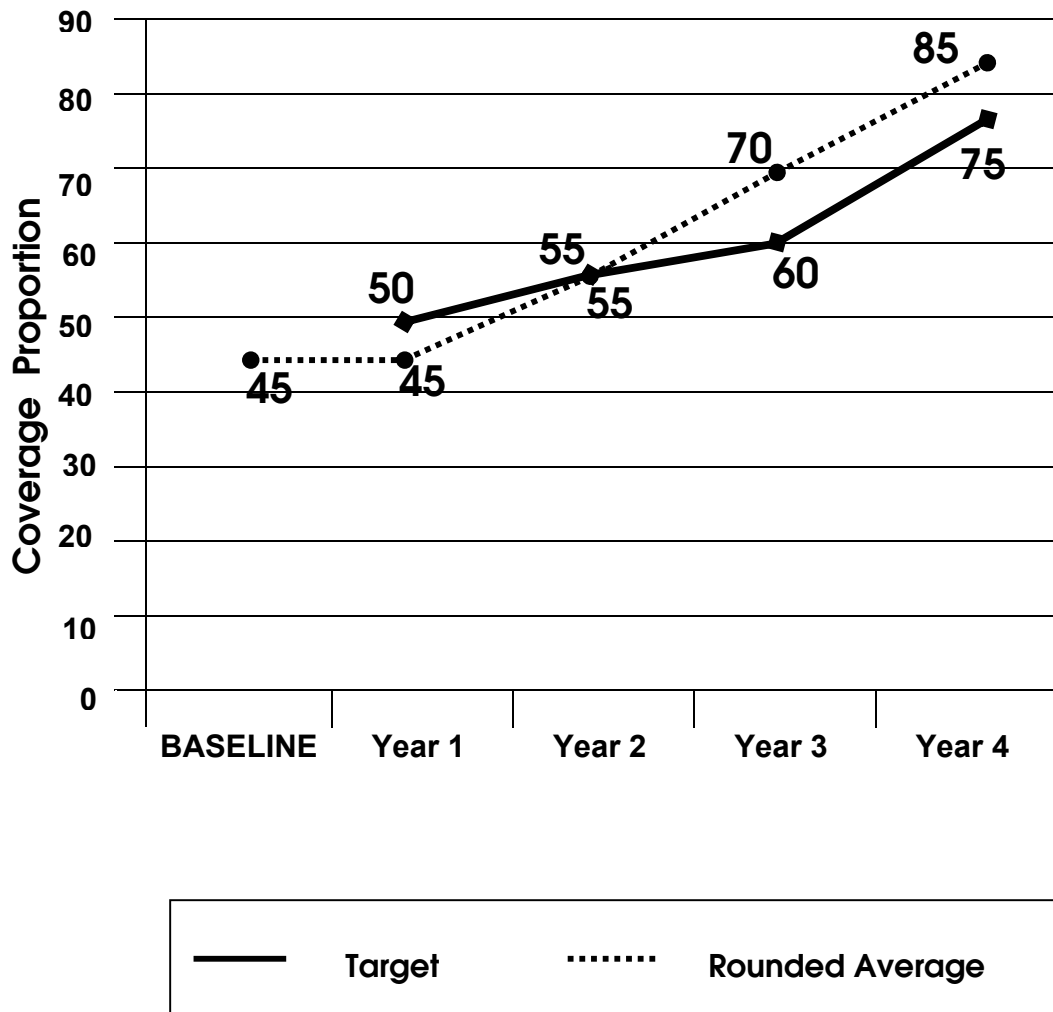
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Among the infant and child feeding indicators, the percentage of mothers who continue to breastfeed up to and beyond 12 months of age appears to be the biggest problem (across all Supervision Areas, only 20% of mothers of children aged 12-15 months were breastfeeding at the time of the survey). This practice will receive special attention in the project's nutrition intervention.

## Action Plans and Goals/Coverage Targets for Key Indicators

- For each priority, list the main activities that your organization will implement to reduce the identified problems.
- For example, a priority activity could be to identify terms, perceived causes, preferred treatments and preferred providers for the danger signs during pregnancy that women in the community recognize. Then we can further build upon the local understanding of pregnancy danger signs to develop appropriate strategies for improving recognition and care seeking.
- Report key indicators, coverage targets, and goals for your future planning. Revise coverage targets as needed.

### Results of Monitoring Survey, Coverage Targets, and End of Project Goals (Men 15-49 Years)



Key Indicators	Baseline Average Coverage	Year 1 Coverage		Projected Coverage Target Year 2	Projected Coverage Target Year 3	End of Project Goal Year 4
		Observed	Target			

**Bring This Table With You to Use in the Field or for Easy Reference.**

**LQAS Table:** Decision Rules for Sample Sizes of 12-30 and Coverage Targets/Average of 10%-95%

Sample Size*	Average Coverage (Baselines) / Annual Coverage Target (Monitoring and Evaluation)																	
	10%	15%	20%	25%	30%	35%	40%	45%	50%	55%	60%	65%	70%	75%	80%	85%	90%	95%
12	N/A	N/A	1	1	2	2	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	8	9	10	11
13	N/A	N/A	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	6	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	11
14	N/A	N/A	1	1	2	3	4	4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	11	12
15	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	3	4	5	6	6	7	8	9	10	10	11	12	13
16	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13	14
17	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
18	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	3	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	11	12	13	14	16
19	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	16	17	18
22	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	12	13	14	15	16	18	19
23	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	6	7	8	10	11	12	13	14	16	17	18	20
24	N/A	N/A	1	2	3	4	6	7	9	10	11	13	14	15	16	18	19	21
25	N/A	1	2	2	4	5	6	8	9	10	12	13	14	16	17	18	20	21
26	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6	8	9	11	12	14	15	16	18	19	21	22
27	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	20	21	23
28	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	10	12	13	15	16	18	19	21	22	24
29	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	10	12	13	15	17	18	20	21	23	25
30	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	11	12	14	16	17	19	20	22	24	26

N/A: *Not Applicable*, meaning LQAS can not be used in this assessment because the coverage is either too low or too high to assess an SA. This table assumes the lower threshold is 30 percentage points below the upper threshold.

-  : light-shaded cells indicate where *alpha* or *beta* errors are greater than or equal to 10%.
-  : dark-shaded cells indicate where *alpha* or *beta* errors are greater than 15%.

