## AFRICAN PROGRAMME FOR ONCHOCERCIASIS CONTROL



# INDEPENDENT PARTICIPATORY MONITORING OF CDTI PROJECTS

## GUIDELINES AND INSTRUMENTS

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#### GUIDELINES

## 1. MEETING WITH PERMANENT SECRETARY, WHO REPRESENTATIVE IN THE COUNTRY, AND CHAIR OF NOTF

Brief the WR on the mission

Fix date for debriefing session with WR

Fix date with Permanent Secretary or Director of Disease Control or Chair of the NOTF (which ever is applicable), preferably before proceeding for field visits. Give executive summary of the report during the debriefing.

If the project is in its fourth or fifth year, debrief WR, Permanent Secretary or Director of Disease Control, NOTF Chair, on the evaluation findings and whether or not actions have been taken.

## 1b. DEBRIEFING MEETING WITH PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM

Fix date for debriefing Project Management team

The meeting will be attended by the Director of Disease Control/Health Services, National Onchocerciasis Coordinator (where applicable), Project Coordinator and Team members. During the meeting it is advisable that the Project Coordinator be the one to take the minutes.

Debrief the District/LGA administration of findings of the monitoring exercise.

#### 2. MEETING WITH NATIONAL COORDINATOR & NGDO PARTNER (Hqs).

Discuss objectives, modalities for selection of site, local guides and field activities.

Plan field activities.

Discuss logistics and other needs of the monitoring team

For third, fourth and fifth year projects; in debriefing draw attention to recommendations in previous monitoring and evaluation exercises.

#### 3. MEETING BETWEEN EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL MONITORS

- Train monitors on instruments, data collection procedures and analysis (2 days)
- Develop Plan for field activities.
- Develop a template for data entry.
- Qualitative data, draw attention to narratives from FGDs that will be included in the report.

#### 4. MEETING WITH PROJECT TEAM AT STATE / DISTRICT LEVEL

Discuss objective, selection of site and field activities.

Select villages to be visited.

Monitors should be allowed 2 days in the district to select and train local guides (SEE SECTION B) Select local guides who are capable of working in the selected villages

Train local guides to understand the instruments (especially concepts like **mode** and **time** of distribution, **community perception** of CDTI, **community role** in CDTI, the concept and responsibilities of the health system)

Plan to send advance messages to selected villages. <u>It is advisable to inform communities not more than three days prior to arrival of the team</u>

Discuss logistics and other needs of the monitoring team

The monitors should, as soon as training of local guides has commenced, share out responsibilities among themselves, in order to save time.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

#### **Sample Selection**

A minimum of 30 villages must be selected by random sampling based on the Rapid Epidemiological Mapping for Onchocerciasis (REMO)). Please ensure that villages selected are spread across a minimum of 3 endemic Sub – Counties/LGAs/ Health Sub-Districts which are randomly selected within the project area.

#### **Data Collection**

#### A. Monitors

There will be a total of 7 monitors made up of two external, four internal and one community members. One of the internal monitors will be an NGDO or Project Coordinator whose project is not being monitored. The NGDO monitor cannot monitor their counterpart NGDO project in another country. Both external and internal (except community member) monitors will be involved in data analysis and report writing.

#### B. Local Guides

Each team will work with two local guides, one from the project and the other from the community. Please note the community member is an official members of the monitoring team should participate in conducting interviews for the household survey. Where necessary a project implementer can be required to act as the local guide in another project area.

#### C. Checklist of Instruments and sample sizes

| Instruments                               | ample         |  |  |
|---|---------------|--|--|
| 1. Village leader Interview Questionnaire | 30            |  |  |
| 2. FGDs Guide                             | 6             |  |  |
| 3. Community Meeting Guide                | 4             |  |  |
| 4. CDD Interview Questionnaire            | 30            |  |  |
| 5. Household Survey                       | 30            |  |  |
| 6. Health Personnel Interview Questionna  | ire 6 or more |  |  |
| 7. Interview Guide for Policy Makers/WR   | as applicable |  |  |

Seven instruments must be administered:

#### 1. Key informant interview of village leader.

This instrument is to be administered to the village head or a representative of the village head. The head can ask another person to assist with the interview and to even have a say during the interview. Do not refuse. Most of the questions are structured. **Circle appropriate codes**. Do not prompt the responses; rather allow the respondent to answer while you circle the appropriate option to the respondent's answer. Listen to the chief and choose among the items provided. If he says something different select 'Other' and write the actual response in the space provided.

#### 2. Group discussions guide among community members

Conduct focus group discussions for women in six villages, one of which will be targeted at minorities (settlers, non-indigenes, pastoralists, women in seclusion, etc). The six villages where the group discussions will be conducted must be purposively selected to represent geo – ethnic considerations.

Ideally, each of the selected villages must be informed that the group discussions will only be for women before the monitoring team arrives in the village.

Arrange for a comfortable place that offers some privacy and enough places to sit. Each group must consist of 6-8 people.

#### 3. <u>Community Meetings</u>

Community meetings should be conducted in 4 villages that are purposively selected also to take care of geoethnic considerations. The 4 villages selected must not be among those where group discussions are conducted.

The recommended community meeting should have *at least* 30 community members (15 women and 15 men). This is to emphasize the need for attendance of a substantial number of both men and women.

#### Planning/Preparation

The day and time for the meeting should be determined in consultation with community members. The community leader should be informed that all community members (men, women and youths) should attend this meeting. Therefore, the decision on the convenient day and time for the meeting should be made in consultation with community members in order to allow all sections of the community to attend.

#### Location of the meeting

Community meetings should not be held near the roadsides and trading centres nor in order to minimise the number of persons from other communities that would attend the meeting. In some places community meetings may not be conducted on market, funeral and other ceremonial days to enable most community members to attend.

#### Facilitating the meeting

- The team should arrive before the agreed time
- Make use of the participatory approach.
- Request the community members to select 2 men and 2 women to assist in counting responses to questions related to issues like:
  - o total number of men and women in attendance
  - o treated,
  - o received health education,
  - o participated in selection of CDDs
  - o decided on the period of distribution
  - o supported the CDDs, and
  - o those that will continue taking ivermectin.
- Community members and visitors should be seated separated so that data is collected only from those who reside in the selected community.
- A good facilitator should be assigned the task of facilitating discussions after the community leader or his representative has made the introductions and invited the team to talk to his/her community members.
- The CDDs, health workers and other key persons involved in the CDTI should be assigned the task of
  recording minutes. This makes them feel appreciated, but it also prevents them from interfering with
  certain responses they do not like.
- It should be made clear before the meeting begins that **the objective is not to find fault** with what has been done but to improve the overall CDTI implementation process. Participants should therefore be encouraged to freely express themselves during the meeting. All contributions are welcome.
- The facilitator should purposively encourage women, youth, and other disadvantaged individuals or groups to participate in the discussions. Sometimes it may be necessary for the CDDs or the community leader to give explanation on certain relevant issues as deemed appropriate.
- The facilitator should encourage exchange of views among community members without losing control of the meeting.
- After administering the question guide, the facilitator should allow the community members and visitors to ask questions. It is important that a key person who has been involved in the project implementation is available to answer relevant questions.

• After, the facilitator should thank community members for their contributions and then hand over the meeting to the Community leader for closing.

#### 4. In-depth interview of CDD

This tool is should be administered in all villages. Where a village has more than two CDDs, at least two should be interviewed. The in-depth interview is to be administered in the same manner as the key informant interview. At the end of the interview ask the distributor to get his tools: measuring stick, registers and remaining drugs. When a question requires multiple responses, do not forget to circle each appropriate response code.

#### 5. Household Survey

This instrument must be administered in all the thirty (30) villages. A minimum of 10 households should be surveyed in each village. In a village with less than 10 households, survey all households. Otherwise, select the household in such a way that all the different parts of the village are adequately represented. Every member of the household should answer the questions. First, get from the head of household (male or female) or his representative the names of all members of the household. The head of household or any member of the household can answer for members who are absent and for the children.

If, in the absence of household head, the wife refuses to respond, go to the next household. Similarly, if there is no respondent in a selected household, go to the next household. For each person put the code corresponding to the answer in the required column. To ensure fair representation of women and girls among interviewees, it is advisable to include women as members of monitoring teams.

#### Cross-checking accuracy of dosage

In a minimum of 5 villages, efforts must be made to crosscheck accuracy of dosage. This will be achieved by taking heights of 5 randomly selected individuals and comparing the ideal number of tablets with the actual number of tablets given by the CDD.

#### Household Members participation

In addition to the tasks earlier mentioned, use the household members participation section of the Household survey to collect information from the household head, two women and a youth of either sex

#### 6. Questionnaire for health personnel

This questionnaire is administered on any health worker in the area who is directly involved in CDTI programme i.e. the health staff nearest to the village. The number of health personnel to be interviewed depends on the situation on the ground. A minimum of 6 health personnel who are supervisors of CDDs should be interviewed within the project area. After the interview ask the health personnel for the documents used for CDTI activities.

#### 7. Interview guide for policy-makers/ WHO representative/ Programme Managers

This interview is administered on Co-ordinators, Programme managers, representatives of NGDOs involved in CDTI, Ministry of Health policymakers (e.g. chair of NOTF) and the WHO representative in the country. Where appropriate, documents such as registers should be requested before the formal interview so that information can be extracted for the report

#### **Treatment Register**

In addition to the instruments, treatment registers must be examined to obtain relevant information on:

- Total population
- Number of children under 5 years of age
- Number of people 5 years and above treated
- Number of refusals
- Number of absentees
- Number of ineligibles

- Evidence of Up-date of census records

Also, the treatment registers should be examined for accuracy of recording. Avoid collecting information from the summary page.

#### **D.** Information for Trainers

This guide is to provide some instructions for using the different monitoring instruments. The trainer should begin by discussing the APOC philosophy and the CDTI process and describing what is expected of programme implementers. The trainer should explain in very clear terms the meaning of certain concepts in the local language assisted by the internal monitor:

- 1. *CDTI*: the process of entering the community, the role of the community in design and implementation, (the difference between CDTI and CBTI should be discussed).
- 2. *Time of distribution*: the season or the month
- 3. *First distribution*: note that distribution may have been on-going in the area using other methods. First distribution refers to the first time the community will use CDTI approach
- 4. *Last distribution*: this refers to the most recent distribution of ivermectin within the community. It does not refer to the last time the individual was treated but the last time the entire community had their general distribution
- 5. *Mode of distribution*: this refers to the method of getting the drug to every individual within the community e.g. central point, house-to-house or a mix central and house-to-house.

It is very important that the trainees have a general understanding in the local language of other terms that are frequently used by the community (e.g. Oncho programme, Mectizan /Ivermectin tablets).

At the beginning the trainer should briefly explain the objectives of the monitoring exercise and the importance of collecting accurate data. The trainer should ensure that the trainees practice interviewing and note-taking during the training period. Every participant should take part in role-play and in learning to use the various instruments. Trainer should demonstrate how to CIRCLE the appropriate responses, especially the multiple responses.

It should be emphasised that the interviewers and group discussion facilitators should not be in a hurry even if there is some delay at the beginning of the exercise. They should take time to listen carefully to the responses and to probe or repeat the questions when they are not well understood by the respondent.

#### E. Other Issues

To avoid delay, it is recommended that the team send an advance notice (not more than three days before arrival) to the village head so that all the persons needed would be around when the team arrives in the village. Be on time if you have made an appointment. Do not delay or change the appointment without giving any information to the community.

The team should feel free to utilise funds approved for report preparation or contingency for data entry and analysis.

#### F. Reporting Format for Independent Monitoring Team

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### INTRODUCTION

- Brief background of the Country and Project including the NGDO Involved in the project
- Indicate extent to which the recommendations of previous monitoring and evaluation exercises were implemented.

Terms of Reference

#### **METHODOLOGY**

- Sampling
- Selection of villages
- Instruments
- Limitations
- Data Analysis

#### **RESULTS**

- Community participation and programme ownership
- Mectizan supply, collection and distribution
- Coverage
- Work CDDs
- Health Education/Mobilisation/Sensitisation
- Gender Issues and Minority groups/non-indigenous
- Training, monitoring and supervision
- Integration
- Partnership
- Resources

Community-self monitoring (Indicate whether the project initiated community-self monitoring and how many communities are doing community self-monitoring).

**IMPORTANT**: Qualitative information collected during community meetings and focus group discussions must be used to reinforce the quantitative data in the final report.

#### DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

According to indicators comparing findings with CDTI expectations, and drawing lessons learnt.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

#### **ANNEX**

- 1. List of indicators
- 2. List of Instruments
- 3. Guidelines
- 4. Other attachments including graphs, charts, histograms, maps
- 5. Debriefing sessions with NOTFs and Country WRs

#### INDICATORS FOR INDEPENDENT MONITORING

#### 1.0 Community participation and ownership

- 1.1 Proportion and number of target communities, which decided on the period, or method of treatment.
- 1.2 Proportion and number of target communities where the "community" selected their own CDD.
- 1.3 Proportion and number of target communities where all segments of the community including minorities that are involved in implementation.

- 1.4 Proportion and number of communities where community members carry out mobilisation, distribution and reporting.
- 1.5 Proportion and number of target communities which collected ivermectin from collection point/the health centre.

#### 2.0 Mectizan Supply, Collection and Distribution

2.1 Proportion and number of communities/projects that experienced late supply or shortage of ivermectin.

#### 3.0 Coverage

- 3.1 Proportion and number of refusals two months after distribution
- 3.2 Proportion and number of absentees that were later treated
- 3.3 Proportion and number of at-risk villages treated
- 3.4 Proportion and number of persons 5 years and above who receive ivermectin.

#### 4.0 Work of CDDs

- 4.1 Proportion and number of communities where CDDs were changed by the community after treatment
- 4.2 Proportion and number of CDDs with measuring device for height
- 4.3 Proportion and number of communities with accurate treatment registers
- 4.4 Proportion and number of CDDs who had stopped carrying out CDTI activities

#### 5.0 Health Education, Mobilisation and Sensitization

- 5.1 Proportion and number of communities which received education about importance of extended ivermectin treatment
- 5.2 Proportion and number of district/LGA policy makers who have been sensitized on CDTI
- 5.3 Proportion and number of community leaders that have been mobilized for CDTI activities
- 5.4 Proportion and number of community leaders that are involved in mobilisation /health education / supervision for CDTI activities

#### 6.0 Training, Monitoring and Supervision

- 6.1 Proportion and number of communities with trained CDDs
- 6.2 Proportion and number of communities whose nearest health facilities have "severe adverse reaction" records
- 6.3 Proportion and number of target communities that were supervised/monitored during the last Mectizan distribution

#### 7.0 Integration

- 7.1 Proportion and number health programmes which have adopted CDTI approach to the health services
- 7.2 Proportion and number of districts/LGAs that have CDTI integrated into annual plans/budgets
- 7.3 Proportion and number of health workers who combine CDTI with other health activities.
- 7.4 Proportion and number of target communities which undertook integrated community self monitoring

#### 8.0 Gender Issues and Minority groups

- 8.1 Proportion and number of communities where there are female CDDs.
- 8.2 Proportion and number of health workers who are females
- 8.3 Proportion and number of communities that recognised that females could be CDDs.
- 8.4 Proportion and number of women that attend health education meetings.
- 8.5 Proportion and number of women who were treated during the last distribution
- 8.6 Proportion and number of health workers who participated in selecting the CDD
- 8.7 Proportion and number of women who participated in deciding the day of distribution

#### 9.0 Partnership with NGDOs, CBOs, Districts, sub-counties or health subdistricts

- 9.1 Proportion and number of local partners, NGDOs and CBO providing technical support (training, health education, etc) at different levels
- 9.2 Proportion and number of partners/NGDOs participating in routine planning and budgeting of CDTI activities.
- 9.3 Proportion and number of partners/NGDOs carrying out advocacy for CDTI activities

#### 10.0 Contribution of resources (finances and others) by partners.

- 10.1 Proportion and number of communities that support their CDDs.
- 10.2 Proportion and number of partners that contribute cash to CDTI implementation.
- 10.3 Proportion and number of NGDOs/Government Organisations that contributed to finances of the CDTI

#### **KEY INFORMANT INTERVIEW: Community Leader**

This instrument is to be administered on the village head or a representative of the village head. The village head can ask another person to assist and to even have a say during the interview. Do not refuse. Most of the questions are structured. **Circle appropriasse codes**. Do not prompt the responses; rather allow the respondent to answer while you circle the appropriate option to the respondent's answer. Listen to the chief and choose among the items provided. If he says something different select 'Other' and write the actual response in the space provided.

| Village Name : | Village Code:   |
|----------------|---|
| Sub-county/LC  | ADistrict/State:Country:  |
| Month and yea  | r of last distribution  |
|                | ell us about any programme concerning onchocerciasis treatment in this village HE FOLLOWING ISSUES) |
| - who b        | rought the idea of the onchocerciasis programme to this village?                                    |
| -when c        | id the person(s) come to talk with you about onchocerciasis?  |
|                | e person(s) meet with you and other village leaders first? ey ask for you to arrange a meeting?     |
| - what o       | lid they tell you about community responsibility  |
| a) Commun      | ity participation and ownership;  |
| 2. How was the | time (month/season) for distribution decided?   |
|                | 1. at a village meeting   |
|                | 2. village elders meeting   |
|                | 3. village chief/leader   |
|                | 4. health worker  |
|                | 5. village health committee   |
|                | <ul><li>6. village committee meeting</li><li>7. other (specify)</li></ul>                           |
| 3. What mode o | f distribution was decided?   |
|                | 1. house-to-house   |
|                | 2. central place (specify)  |
|                | 3. both house-to-house and central place  |
|                | 4. other (specify)  |
| 4. How was th  | e mode of distribution decided?   |
|                | 1. at a village meeting   |
|                | 2. village elders meeting   |
|                | 3. village chief/leader   |
|                | 4. health worker  |
|                | 5. village health committee   |
|                | 6. village committee meeting  |

- 5. How were the persons (CDDs) selected to do the work?
  - 1. at a village meeting

7. other (specify)

|     |      | <ol> <li>village elders meeting</li> <li>village chief/leader</li> <li>Health worker</li> <li>village health committee</li> <li>village committee meeting</li> <li>other (specify)</li></ol> |
|-----|------|--|
|     | 6.   | Why did you choose these person(s)?  |
| 7.  |      | Have you changed any of your CDDs?   |
| 8.  |      | 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know  If yes to Q7, why?   |
| 9.  |      | How many persons have stopped working as CDDs in your community on their own accord?   |
| 10. |      | Was there any community decision on how the drug should be collected from a collection point?  1. Yes  2. No  3. Don't know  |
| b)  | Me   | ectizan supply (collection and distribution)   |
| 11. | Di   | id any member of the community collect the drug from a collection point?  1. Yes  2. No  3. Don't know   |
| 12. | Ifr  | no to Q11, why?  |
| 13. | Die  | d you get the drug the first time you went to collect it? (late supply)  1. Yes  2. No   |
|     |      | Please explain   |
| 14. | Die  | d you experience shortage of drugs during the last distribution?  1. Yes  2. No  3. Don't know   |
| 15. | Ify  | yes to Q14, how was the problem solved?  |
| c)  |      | Coverage   |
| 16. | Doe  | es the community have a treatment register?  1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know  |
| 17. | If y | res to Q16, where is the register kept?  |
| 18. | Wa   | s the census of your village undertaken?  1. Yes  2. No  3. Don't know   |
| 19. | If y | res to Q18, at what period was the census or census update done?   |

| 1. Before distribution 2. During distribution 3. After distribution 4. I don't know  |
|--|
| 20. Do more people take the drug now that last year?  1. Yes 2. No. 3. I don't know  |
| 21. Are there more refusals now than last year? 1. Yes. 2. No. 3. I don't know   |
| 22. Are there more absentees now than last year? 1. Yes. 2. No. 3. I don't know  |
| d) Contribution of resources (finances and others) by partners.  |
| 23. What contribution did your community make in order to support this programme?  |
| 24. How was the CDDs supported?  |
| 25. Where do you go to collect ivermectin  |
| 26. What mode of transport is used to collect Ivermectin from the collection point?  1.Motor Vehicle  2. Bicycle  3. Walking  4. Other Means (specify) |
| 27. How long does it take (in hours/minutes) to get there (using the mode indicated earlier)?  |
| e) Gender Issues and Minority groups:  |
| 28. How many persons (CDDs) in this village distribute the drug.   |
| 29. How many are male CDDs? How many are female CDDs?  |
| 30. Are there people in this community who are not involved in the distribution exercise.  1. Yes  2.No  3. Don't know                                 |
| 31. If 'Yes' to Q30, please explain  |
| 32. What time of the day do you normal hold general community meetings?  |
| 33. Do women in this community attend general community meetings?  1. Yes  2. No   |
| 34. If yes to Q33, do they participate in the discussions?   |
| 54. If yes to Q55, do they participate in the discussions:   |

## HEALTH EDUCATION, MOBILIZATION & SENSITISATION

| 36. Have you (the community) received education on the importance of taking ivermectin/mectizan/<br>Oncho tablet annually for several years?   |
|--|
| 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know/Can't remember  |
| <ul> <li>37. If yes to Q36, ask: When did you receive the education? (circle all that apply)</li> <li>1. During the first meeting</li> <li>2. Before the first distribution</li> <li>3. During distribution</li> <li>4. Soon after distribution</li> </ul> |
| 38. If yes to Q36, what were you told? (Probe for:  A. annual treatment for several years  B. benefits  C. community responsibility  |
| 39. How were you involved in mobilisation/health education?  |
| WORK OF CDD  |
| 40. How well have the CDDs done the work?  1. well 2. fair 3. poor (Explain)   |
| Training, Monitoring and Supervision   |
| 41. Have the CDDs received any training?  1. Yes  2. No  3. Don't know/ cannot remember  |
| 42. Who trained the CDDs?  1. Health staff 2. Village health committee member 2. NGO partner 3. Community member/chief 4. Other (specify)  |
| <ul> <li>43. If yes to Qn41., when did they receive training?</li> <li>1. Before the first distribution</li> <li>2. During distribution</li> <li>3. Soon after the first distribution</li> <li>4. Don't know/Can't remember</li> </ul>                     |
| 44. Do you supervise CDDs in your community? 1. Yes 2. No  |
| Integration  |
| 45. Are the CDDs in this community involved in other health activities?  1.Yes 2. No   |
| 46. If yes, what other type of health activities?  |
| 47. Was it the community that selected them for these other health activities 1. Yes 2. No.  |
| 48 If no to $0.45$ why?  |

| 49. Do other health programmes offer health education to your community members                                    |                   |                      |  |  |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|--|--|
|  | 1. Yes            | 2. No.               |  |  |
| 50. What other health programmes can be tackled in the same way Ivermectin is being distributed in your community? |                   |                      |  |  |
| 51. Is there any   | ything you will l | like to tell/ask us? |  |  |
|  |                   |                      |  |  |

#### IN-DEPTH INTERVIEW OF THE CDD

To be administered in all villages. Interview 2 CDDs per village if there are more than one CDDs Preference should be given to female CDDs where present. Ask the distributor to let you see his tools: measuring devise, registers, remaining drug if it is the case. When a question requires multiple responses, remember to put a circle around each applicable response code. Probe where appropriate.

| Name of VillageVillage code:Subcounty/LGA:  |
|---|
| District/State  |
| Name of CDD Sex: 1. Female 2. Male  |
| Main Occupation:  |
| Month and year of first CDTI distribution in the village/   |
| Month and year of last CDTI distribution in the village/  |
| COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND OWNERSHIP Introduction: Please tell me about how the last distribution of ivermectin was carried out in this community  |
| <ol> <li>How was the time (month/season) for distribution decided?</li> <li>at a community meeting</li> <li>community elders' meeting</li> <li>community chief/leader</li> <li>health worker</li> <li>community health committee</li> <li>community committee meeting</li> <li>other (specify)</li> </ol> |
| <ol> <li>What mode of distribution was decided?</li> <li>house-to-house</li> <li>central place (specify)</li> <li>Both house-to-house and central place</li> <li>other (specify)</li> </ol>   |
| <ol> <li>How was the mode of distribution decided?</li> <li>at a community meeting</li> <li>community elders' meeting</li> <li>community chief/leader</li> <li>health worker</li> <li>community health committee</li> <li>community committee meeting</li> <li>other (specify)</li> </ol>                 |

- 4. How were you selected to do the work?
  - 1. at a community meeting
  - 2. community elders' meeting

3. community chief/leader

|             | 4. health worker   |                  |      |
|-------------|--|------------------|------|
|             | 5. community health committee  |                  |      |
|             | 6. community committee meeting   |                  |      |
|             | 7. other (specify)   |                  |      |
| 5.          | Has any CDD been changed after the first distribution?  1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know |                  |      |
| 6.          | If yes to Q5, Why was the CDD (s) changed?   |                  |      |
| 7.          | How many persons have stopped working as CDDs in your community?                   |                  |      |
| 8. <b>v</b> | What are the reasons for stopping work   |                  |      |
| W           | ORK OF CDD   |                  |      |
| 9. <b>v</b> | Which categories of people would you not give the tablets (PLEASE CIRC             | LE YES O         | R NO |
|             | FOR EACH RESPONSE)  1. Individuals below 5 years of age/ below 90cm                | 1. Yes           | 2 No |
|             | 2. Pregnant women  | 1. Tes<br>1. Yes |      |
|             | 3. Women who delivered less than one week before distribution                      |                  |      |
|             | 4. Sick individuals  | 1. Yes           |      |
|             | 5. Visitors  | 1. Yes           |      |
|             | 6. Other (specify)   |                  |      |
| 10.         | How do you ensure that these categories of people eventually receive treatment?    |                  |      |
| 11.         | Do you have drugs to take care of minor side effects?  1. Yes  2. No               |                  |      |
| 12.         | If no to Q11, please explain   | -                |      |
| 13.         | Do you have problems with record keeping?  1. Yes  2. No                           |                  |      |
| 14.         | Are you willing to continue as a CDD?  1. Yes  2. No                               |                  |      |
|             | Please explain   |                  |      |
| 15.         | Is measuring device for height present?  |                  |      |
|             | 1. Yes, seen 2. Yes, but not seen (Eyplein)  |                  |      |
|             | <ul><li>2. Yes, but not seen (Explain)</li><li>3. No, Explain</li></ul>            | <del></del>      |      |
| 16.         | How do you use it?   |                  |      |

| 17. Is treatment register present?  |
|---|
| 1. Yes, seen  |
| 2. Yes, but not seen (Explain)  |
| 3. No, explain  |
|   |
| 18. If Q17 is "Yes, seen" EXAMINE TREATMENT REGISTER AND OBTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON:   |
| 1. Total population   |
| 2. Age composition of people: Below 5 years   |
| 5 years and above  3. Sex composition of the population: Male Female  |
| 3. Sex composition of the population: Male Female   |
| <ul> <li>4. Number of persons treated Male Female</li> <li>5. Number of persons under-5 years who received treatment</li> </ul>   |
|   |
| <ul><li>6. Number of refusals</li><li>7. Number absent during last treatment</li></ul>  |
| 7. Number absent during last treatment  |
| 8. Number with severe side effects  |
| 9. Number of tablets received   |
| 10. Number of tablets used  |
| 11. Number of tablets left in the drug kit  |
| <ul> <li>MECTIZAN SUPPLY (COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION)</li> <li>19. Did any member of the community collect the drug from a collection point during the last distribution?</li> <li>1. Yes</li> <li>2. No</li> <li>3. Don't know</li> </ul>                       |
| 20. If "no" to Q19, why?  |
| 21. Where is the collection point?  |
| 22. Did you experience late supply of drugs during the last distribution?  1. Yes  2. No  |
| Please explain  |
| <ul> <li>23. How do you normally determine the quantity of drugs required by the community?</li> <li>1. Census/registration record</li> <li>2. Previous treatment records</li> <li>3. By counting the number of households</li> <li>4. Other (specify)</li> </ul> |
| <ul><li>24. Did you experience shortage of drugs during the last distribution?</li><li>1. Yes</li><li>2. No</li></ul>   |
| 25. If yes, please explain  |
| 26. How do you determine the number of tablets to give to an individual? (CIRCLE YES C  |
| NO FOR EACH RESPONSE)  1. Take height measurement  1. Yes  2. No  |

| 3.   | Use weight Visual observation   | 1. Yes<br>1. Yes                          |                                     |
|--|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| 4.<br>5.   | Age Other (specify)   | 1. Yes                                    | 2. No                               |
| 27. How long do you                              | normally keep the tablets in  | the community?                            |                                     |
| 28. How many days d                              | id you take to complete the l   | ast distribution?                         |                                     |
| 29. Where do you no                              | rmally keep the tablets?  |   |                                     |
| COVERAGE   |   |   |                                     |
| 30. What do you do al                            | bout individuals who are abs  | ent during normal di                      | stribution period?                  |
| 31. What do you do al                            | bout individuals who refuse   | treatment?                                |                                     |
| 32. Were women who 1. Yes                        | were pregnant during distribution 2. No 3. Ca   | -   | after delivery                      |
|  | •   | ee of taking ivermect                     | in tablets                          |
| 34. If yes, what were                            |   | . Cromonio                                |                                     |
| 35. Did you provide the 1. Yes                   | he community with education 2. No   | n on ivermectin treat                     | ment?                               |
| NO FOR EACH RES  1. Dur  2. Befo  3. Dur  4. Soo | en did you provide the education PONSE) ing the first meeting ore the first distribution ing distribution after distribution er (specify) | 1. Yes 1. Yes 1. Yes 1. Yes 1. Yes 1. Yes | 2. No                               |
| RESPONSE)  1. Tak 2. Ber 3. Cor 4. Side          | at did you tell the community  ring ivermectin annually for nefits of treatment mmunity responsibility e effects er (specify)             | several years 1. Y                        | Yes 2. No<br>Yes 2. No<br>Yes 2. No |

## TRAINING, MONITORING AND SUPERVISION

| 38. Did you receive 1. Yes  | any training on how to treat community 2. No  | / membe  | rs?    |       |        |   |
|---|---|----------|--------|-------|--------|---|
| 39. If Yes to Q38, w  | hen did you receive training?   |          |        |       |        | _ |
| 1. He<br>2. No<br>3. A  | ? (CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY ealth personnel/Oncho coordinator GDO staff (specify) nother CDD ther (specify)      |          |        |       |        |   |
| 41. How long did the<br>1 <sup>st</sup> trai<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> tra<br>Last t | e training last? ining aining craining  |          |        |       |        |   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> trai  | s were trained together (size of the groundining raining  | ıp)?     |        |       |        |   |
| 1. Wi<br>2. Ou<br>3. He   | enue of the last training? ithin the community itside the community ealthcare facility/hospital her (specify) |          |        |       |        |   |
|   | f training near to your community? s 2. No  |          |        |       |        |   |
| 45. What were you to EACH RESPONSE)   | aught during training about onchocercia   | sis (CIR | CLE Y  | ES OR | NO FOR |   |
| ,   | ause  | 1.       | Yes    | 2.    | No     |   |
| 2. Sy   | ymptoms   | 1.       | Yes    | 2.    | No     |   |
| 3. So   | ocio-economic importance  | 1.       | Yes    | 2.    | No     |   |
| 4. Co   | ommunity mobilisation and education   | 1.       | Yes    | 2.    | No     |   |
|   | rermectin as treatment for a long time ther (specify)   | 1.<br>-  | Yes    | 2.    | No     |   |
| 16 What ware you to   | aught about the drug? (CIRCLE YES O   | R NIO EO | DE EAG | THRE  | SDONGE |   |
| •   | uration of treatment  | KNOT     |        | Yes   | 2. N   |   |
|   | overage of distribution   |          |        | Yes   | 2. N   |   |
|   | osage determination by measuring heigh  | ht       |        | Yes   | 2. N   |   |
|   | xpiration of drug after removing contain  |          |        | Yes   | 2. N   |   |
|   | reatment of absentees and refusals  | 5-41     |        | Yes   | 2. N   |   |
|   | de effects (counseling and referral)  |          |        | Yes   | 2. N   |   |
|   | xclusion criteria   |          |        | Yes   | 2. N   |   |

| 8. Record keeping  | 1. Yes                  |          |
|--|-------------------------|----------|
| 9. Census  | 1. Yes                  | 2. No    |
| 10. Other (specify)  |                         |          |
| 47. What were you taught about reporting? (CIRCLE Y  | YES OR NO FOR EACH RES  | PONSE)   |
| 1. Number of persons treated   | 1. Yes 2. N             | ,        |
| 2. Number of refusals  | 1. Yes 2. N             |          |
| 3. Number of absentees   | 1. Yes 2. N             |          |
| 4. Number of excluded persons  | 1. Yes 2. N             |          |
| 5. Number with severe side effects   | 1. Yes 2. N             |          |
| 6. Other (specify)   |                         |          |
| 48. What other health issues were addressed during the   | e training?             |          |
| 49. Have you been trained on other health issues?  |                         |          |
| 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't k  | cnow                    |          |
|  |                         |          |
| 50. If 'Yes', please specify   |                         |          |
| 51. Have you ever been supervised?   |                         |          |
| 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't k  | now                     |          |
| 52. If yes to Q51, who supervised you? (IF NAME WAIDENTITY/POSITION/STATUS OF THE PERSON. 1. Health staff 2. Village health committee member 3. NGO partner 4. Community member/chief 5. Other (specify)  53. What did the supervisor do? (CIRCLE ALL THAT | ON)                     | ASK FOR  |
| 1. Checked the ivermectin inventory  |                         |          |
| 2. Checked the records/treatment regist  | ter                     |          |
| 3. Collated the reports  |                         |          |
| 4. Advised on the treatment of absented  |                         |          |
| 5. other (specify)   |                         |          |
| 54. At what occasions were you supervised? (CIRCLE RESPONSE)   | YES OR NO FOR EACH      |          |
| 1. Before distribution 1.  | Yes 2. No               |          |
| 2. During distribution 1.  | Yes 2. No               |          |
| 2. During distribution 1. 3. Soon after distribution 1. Yes  | 2. No                   |          |
| CONTRIBUTION OF RESOURCES (FINANCES A  | ND OTHERS) BY PARTNER   | S.       |
| 55. What kind of support do you receive from the com   | munity? (CIRCLE ALL THA | Γ APPLY) |
| 1. Transportation for drug collection  |                         | ŕ        |
| 2. Incentives (specify)  |                         |          |
| 3. Other (specify)   |                         |          |

#### GENDER ISSUES AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

| 56. | How many female CDDs do you have in this community?  |
|-----|--|
| 57. | If there are no female CDDs, please explain  |
| IN  | TEGRATION AND PARTNERSHIP WITH OTHER ACTORS  |
| 58. | Are there Community Based Organisations or Social Clubs/Age Grades that support the drug distribution in this community?  1. Yes  2. No  3. Don't know |
| 59. | If 'Yes' to Q58, what do they do?  1. Mobilisation 2. Support for CDD 3. Supervision 4. Transport to collect Mectizan 5. Others (Please specify)       |
| 60. | Are you involved in other health care or community development programmes?  1. Yes  2. No  3. Don't know   |
| 61. | If 'Yes', which programme  |
| 62. | How do you feel this programme may be sustained for a long period  |
| 63. | How does the community respond to the CDTI exercise.   |
| 64. | What are the challenges to your work   |
| 65. | What should be done to improve the programme?  |
| 66. | Is there anything else you would like to talk to me about regarding your work as CDD?  |

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR FRONT LINE HEALTH PERSONNEL

This questionnaire should be administered on any health worker located nearest to the village who is involved in CDTI programme. A minimum of 6 health personnel should be interviewed. Examine documents (summary sheets, inventory, training manuals) and make notes.

| LGA/Sub-county:  | State/District  | Country                      |
|--|---|------------------------------|
| Name of health personnel   | Sex: 1. Male  | 2. Female                    |
| No. of Oncho. Villages   | No. of CDDs in villages c                                       | overed                       |
| How many Male CDDs   | How many Female CDDs  |                              |
| Position:  | Qualification:  |                              |
| Health Education, Mobilisat  | tion and Sensitisation  |                              |
| Did you receive any general     1. Yes   | orientation on CDTI? 2. No                                      |                              |
| •  | w about the CDTI programme with obe community involvement in CD | •                            |
| 3. Were there initial meetings v 1. Yes  | with the communities where CDTI  2. No                          | was introduced?              |
| THAT APPLY)  1. Facilitated t  2. Met with vi  |   |                              |
| <ul><li>5. Who led the facilitating team</li><li>1. Health staff</li><li>2. Government</li><li>3. NGDO staff</li></ul> | m to the community?  f nt administrative staff (non-health)     |                              |
| 6. Were the communities (wh ivermectin tablets?  | nere you worked) educated on the                                | importance of treatment with |

3. Don't know

1. Yes 2. No

|                                | t were they told? (CIRC Annual treatment for s |                    |       | LEACH RI<br>1. Yes |        |               |
|--------------------------------|--|--------------------|-------|--------------------|--------|---------------|
|                                | Benefits of treatment                          | o votat j cat      |       | 1. Yes             | 2.     | No            |
| 3.                             | Community responsib                            |                    |       |                    |        |               |
| 4.                             | Others (specify)                               |                    |       |                    |        |               |
| Mectizan supply                | (collection and dist                           | ribution)          |       |                    |        |               |
| -                              | y delays in collecting ive<br>Yes 2. No        | ermectin by the co | ommu  | unity during       | g last | distribution? |
| 9. If yes to Q8, please        | e explain                                      |                    |       |                    |        |               |
| 10. What constraints RESPONSE) | have you experienced i                         | n getting the drug | g? (C | IRCLE YE           | ES OI  | R NO FOR EACH |
| 1.                             | None   | 1. Yes             |       | No                 |        |               |
| 2.                             | Transport problem                              | 1. Yes             | 2.    | No                 |        |               |
| 3.                             | Inadequate supply                              | 1. Yes             | 2.    | No                 |        |               |
| 4.                             | Delay in supply                                | 1. Yes             | 2.    | No                 |        |               |
| 5.                             | Other (specify)                                |                    |       |                    |        | -             |
| 11 How do you estir            | mate the quantity of drug                      | required?          |       |                    |        |               |
| -                              | Not responsible                                | g required?        |       |                    |        |               |
|                                | Number used during la                          | st treatment       |       |                    |        |               |
|                                | Based on requests from                         |                    |       |                    |        |               |
|                                | Total population (with                         |                    |       |                    |        |               |
| 5.                             | Other (specify)                                |                    |       | -                  |        |               |
| 12 Do you have facil           | lity for storage of iverme                     | octin?             |       |                    |        |               |
| <u> </u>                       | Yes 2. No                                      |                    |       |                    |        |               |
| 13. Have you experie           | enced loss of tablets due                      | to pilferage?      |       |                    |        |               |
|                                | Yes 2. No 3. I                                 |                    |       |                    |        |               |
| 14. How long do you            | normally keep the table                        | ets for the comm   | unity | ?                  |        |               |
|                                |  |                    |       |                    |        |               |
| Coverage                       |  |                    |       |                    |        |               |
| 15 Are all the village         | es eligible for treatment                      | receiving Mectiv   | zan?  | Probe for r        | rono   | rtion of      |

- 15. Are all the villages eligible for treatment receiving Mectizan? Probe for proportion of villages covered.
- 16. What percentage of the eligible population is receiving Mectizan? Probe for trends for the last three years.

## Training, Monitoring and Supervision

#### **Training**

- 17. Did you receive training on how to train CDDs?
  - 1. Yes
- 2. No

| 18. If yes to Q17, how long?  |  |
|---|--|
| 19. List the main topics covered  |  |
|   |  |
|   |  |
| 20. Were you taught how severe side effects should be r 1. Yes 2. No  | nanaged?                                     |
| 21. Were CDDs in the communities (where you worked 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't be a superior of the communities (where you worked to be a superior of the communities). | ed) trained for the CDTI programme? n't know |
| 22. If yes to Q21, did you participate in the training of 1. Yes 2. No  | CDDs?  |
| 23. If yes to Q21, how long did this training session la  | st? Initial training<br>Retraining           |
| 24. Did the training address other health issues?  1. Yes  2. No  3. Do   | n't know                                     |
| 25. If 'Yes' to Q24, what were those issues   |  |
| 26. Was the training targeted? 1.Yes 2. No 3. Do  | n't know                                     |
| 27. If Yes to Q26, please explain   |  |
| Supervision/Monitoring  |  |
| <ul> <li>28 Who supervised the CDDs (CIRCLE ALL THAT And 1. Not supervised)</li> <li>2. Village head</li> <li>3. Village health committee member</li> <li>4. health personnel</li> <li>5. Other (Specify)</li> </ul>  | APPLY)                                       |
| 29. If supervised, how many CDDs did you supervise d  | uring the last distribution?                 |
| 30. If not supervised, why?   |  |
| 31. At which occasions did you visit the CDD? (CIRCI RESPONSE)  |  |
| 1 Before distribution 2. During distribution  | 1. Yes 2. No<br>1. Yes 2. No                 |

|                              | <ul><li>3. Soon after distribution</li><li>4. Other (specify)</li></ul> | 1. Yes 2. No     |                |
|------------------------------|---|------------------|----------------|
| 32. What tasks do RESPONSE)  | you carry out during your visit to the CDD?                             | ? (CIRCLE YES    | OR NO FOR EACH |
| ,                            | 1. Collection of unused drugs after distribut                           | tion 1. Yes      | 2. No          |
| ,                            | 2. Review of records  | 1. Yes           | 2. No          |
|                              | 3. Management of side effects   | 1. Yes           | 2. No          |
| •                            | 4. Supervision of drug distribution                                     | 1. Yes           | 2. No          |
| ;                            | 5. Other (specify)  |                  |                |
| 33. What constrain RESPONSE) | ints do you have in supervising the CDD?                                | (CIRCLE YES      | OR NO FOR EACH |
|                              | 1. No constraints   | 1. Yes           |                |
|                              | 2. Inadequate/lack of means of transport/fuel                           | 1. Yes           | 2. No          |
|                              | 3. Too much work  | 1. Yes           | 2. No          |
|                              | 4. Inadequate/lack of supervision allowance                             | 1. Yes           | 2. No          |
|                              | 5. Inaccessibility  | 1. Yes           | 2. No          |
|                              | 6. Other (specify)  |                  |                |
| 34. Do you have tr           | eatment summaries for communities (where                                | you are workin   | g)?            |
|                              | 1. Yes, seen  |                  |                |
|                              | 2. Yes, but not seen (Explain)  |                  |                |
|                              | 3. No, explain  |                  |                |
|                              | , seen" EXAMINE TREATMENT SUMMA FORMATION ON:                           | RIES AND OB      | TAIN THE       |
|                              | 1. Total population   |                  |                |
|                              | 2. Age composition of people: Below 5 years                             | ars              |                |
|                              | 5 years at  | nd above         |                |
|                              | 3. Sex composition Male Fema. 4. Number of persons treated Mal.         | ıle              |                |
|                              | 4. Number of persons treated Mal  | e Fer            | <br>nale       |
|                              | 5. Number of persons under-5 years who re                               | eceived treatmen | nt             |
|                              | 6. Number of refusals   |                  |                |
|                              | 7. Number absent during last treatment                                  |                  |                |
|                              | 8. Number with severe side effects                                      |                  |                |
|                              | 9 Number of tablets received  |                  |                |
|                              | 10. Number of tablets used  |                  |                |
|                              | 11. Number of tablets remaining   |                  |                |
|                              |   |                  |                |
| Work of CDDs                 |   |                  |                |
| 36. How many per             | rsons have stopped working as CDDs in you                               | r area?          | _              |
|                              | s normally determine the quantity of drugs re                           | equired by the c | ommunity?      |
|                              | 1. Census/registration record   |                  |                |
|                              | 2. Previous treatment records   |                  |                |
|                              | 3. By counting the number of households                                 |                  |                |
|                              | 4. Other (specify)  |                  |                |

| 38. How do CDDs determine the number of tablets to give NO FOR EACH RESPONSE)  | to an individual?    | (CIRCLE YES OR        |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Take height measurement   | 1. Yes               | 2. No                 |
| 2. Use weight  | 1. Yes               |                       |
| 3. Visual observation  | 1. Yes               |                       |
| 4. Age   | 1. Yes               | 2. No                 |
| 5. Other (specify)   | _                    |                       |
| 39. What do CDDs do about individuals who are absent du  | ring normal distrib  | oution period?        |
| 40. What is done about individuals who refuse treatment?   |                      |                       |
| 41. Do you have drugs to take care of minor side effects?  1. Yes, seen 2. Yes but not seen  | 3. No                |                       |
| Integration  |                      |                       |
| 42. What other health activities do you combine with Onch FOR HEALTH ACTIVITY IN THE CDTI COMMUNITIES  |                      | nme activities (PROBE |
| Gender and Minority groups   |                      |                       |
| 43. How many health staff are involved in CDTI within your   | r area?              |                       |
| 44. How many Male Staff How many Fem   | nale Staff           |                       |
| 45. To what extent are women and other minority groups in  | nvolved in CDTI a    | ctivities             |
| Contribution of resources by partners  |                      |                       |
| 46. Are there other partners contributing to CDTI activities organisations e.g. CBOs, that are involved in CDTI activities   | •                    | bbe for other         |
| 47. What kind of contributions do they make towards CDT human and material resources.  | TI activities? Probe | e for financial,      |
| Partnership with NGDOs and other actors  |                      |                       |
| 48. What have been the benefits of working with other loca   | ıl partners?         | _                     |
| 49. What have been the constraints of working with other leads to the constraints of working with the constraints of the constraints of working with the constraint with the constraint with the constraints of working with the constraint with the | ocal partners?       | _                     |

| 50. What o | do you think should be done to improve the programme?   |
|------------|---|
| 51. Pleas  | te tell me how you intend to improve the following activities   |
| a)         | Training of many CDDs to reduce their workload  |
| b)         | Participation of the community (support to CDD, treatment of ALL the eligible members of the community) |
| c)         | Health education  |

52. Is there anything else you would like to discuss with me about CDTI in this area?

#### GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE AMONG COMMUNITY MEMBERS

In six villages conduct five group discussions for women and one for minority groups (women) With the permission of the village-head ask the CDD to arrange a comfortable place that offers some privacy and enough space to sit. Each group must consist of 6-8 people. The group discussion must be tape-recorded

At the end of the session, play back the tape for a few minutes to be sure that the discussion was properly recorded. Label the cassette/Notes (Name of the community, the group identity, date). Make copious notes for use in the analysis.

(a) Community participation and ownership:

- 1. Please tell us what you know about the onchocerciasis treatment programme (PLEASE PROBE FOR THE FOLLOWING ISSUES.)
  - i) The person(s) who brought the idea of the onchocerciasis programme to this community
  - ii) The time when the person(s) came to talk with you about onchocerciasis
  - iii) Whether there was a community meeting at that time. Probe for issues that were discussed at the meeting
    - Ownership of the programme
    - Objectives of the programme (key elements)
    - Expectation from the programme
    - Responsibility of the community
- 2. Please describe how the community took decision on the time (month/season) and mode of distribution. PLEASE PROBE FOR:
  - Persons involved in decision-making
  - How the decision was made
  - Time of distribution
  - Why the time was chosen
  - Method of distribution
  - Why the method of distribution was chosen
- 3. Please describe how the community took decision on the persons responsible for distributing the drugs to community members. PLEASE PROBE FOR:
  - Persons involved in decision-making
  - Who will be responsible for distribution
  - How the persons were selected
  - Why the persons were selected
  - Method of drug collection
- 4. What changes have been made in the way the drug is distributed in this community? PROBE FOR
  - Type of change
  - Persons that brought the change

- Change in CDD (number, sex)
- 5. How will the community ensure that all its members receive the tablets every year for several years? Probe for
  - Arrangements in place,
  - Constraints envisaged,
  - Motivation to continue taking the drugs

#### b) Gender issues and community groups

- 6. How many people among those gathered here attended the last health education meeting? Probe for:
  - Number of meetings held last year
  - Conveniences of the meeting time and place
  - Issues discussed at the meeting
  - Suggestions to encourage female attendance and participation at meetings

7. How many of you would like to be CDDs? Probe for

- Acceptance of the idea of female CDDs by the community
- Constraints that may hinder interest of female in the CDD work
- How the work may be made appealing to females

#### (b) Mectizan supply (collection and distribution):

- 8. How is the drug normally brought into the community and distributed to community members? PROBE FOR:
  - Point of collection
  - Person responsible for bringing it to the community,
  - Person responsible for distribution within the community
  - Mode of distribution
  - When was the drug swallowed
- 9. How convenient is the time and mode of distribution and person distributing to women in this community? PROBE For
  - Timeliness of supply to the community
  - Adequacy of supply
  - treatment of women especially those who were ineligible at time of distribution

### (c) Coverage

- 10. Which people who were not treated during the last distribution? Probe for:
  - Treatment of women,
  - children and
  - minorities (non-indigenes)
  - What were the reasons for not being treated?
- 11. Ask participants to comment on the willingness of people to continue with the treatment next year? Probe for:
  - Reasons for continuing treatment

- Constraints to continuing treatment
- (d) Contribution of resources (finances and others) by partners.
- 12. How do you support the CDD? Probe for:
  - Incentives in cash or in kind
  - Provision of means of transport
  - Mobilization of community
  - Ensuring compliance

#### **Integration**

- 13. Are your CDDs involved in other health/development activities? Probe for:
  - Type of health activities
- 14. Who selected them (CDDs) to participate in those activities?
- 19. What do you think about the CDDs participation in other health activities?
- 20. How does their participation in other activities affect CDTI activities?
- 21. Ask the women to suggest what changes should be made to ensure their full participation.

#### **GUIDE FOR CONDUCTING COMMUNITY MEETINGS**

Meetings should be held in 4 communities where Group Discussions will not be held. It is important to ensure that both sexes are well represented in the meeting. The minimum for conducting a community meeting is 30 people who are residents of that community. For details on how to conduct community meetings, see the guide.

| 1. | Attendance: Number of women(at least 13 years old).   |  |  |  |
|----|---|--|--|--|
|    | Number of men (at least 13 years old) . Total in attendance   |  |  |  |
|    | Number of women who were treated Number of men who were treated   |  |  |  |
| 2  | Please tell what happened after swallowing the ivermectin/Mectizan/Oncho tablets. (issues to follow up on are: side reactions and management, benefits, why some were not treated, whether those who experienced side effects or were absent came for treatment next time). |  |  |  |

- 3. What method/center was used in distributing tablets in this village? Was it convenient for everyone? Were you part of the decision to select the place/method? (at every stage, count the number of males /females responding to each question. Insist on a show of hands. Ask why some did not participate? Ask how in future everybody's participation would be assured- do not lose sight of the women and other minorities). Facilitators should not be the provider of solutions rather should be the ones seeking their own solutions.
- 4. Who distributed the tablets? How was he/she selected? Were you part of that selection? (at every stage, count the number of males /females responding to each question. Insist on a show of hands). For those who did not take part, what was the reason?
- Are they things in the distribution exercise that you would like to be done differently?

  (The facilitator/or the Projector Co-ordinator can come in to take them through all the stages so that they can identify which ones they were satisfied with and those they were not satisfied with-e.g. mobilisation, notice of day and time of distribution, convenience of treatment centre/method, person distributing, duration of distribution, follow up on treatment of absentees, refusals, the sick and pregnant).
- 6. How many of you did attend health education (Insist on a show of hands at this stage from both males and females)? For those who did not attend health education what do you know about this disease and how it is treated? For those who attended health education, what did you learn? For those who attended health education, where did you attend health education? (Was this place, day and time convenient? What suggestions would you like regarding place, day and time?)
- 7. How many of you would like to be CDDs (no. of males and no. of females)? How do you support your CDD (s)? (Ask the CDDs to tell the gathering what he does and where he needs support?)

  Do you think having more CDDs is a good thing? If yes why? (For the facilitator: Note that being a CDD is not a for a few people, every family may have a trained person who can fulfil the role of a CDD. Mention this to the meeting.).
- 8. At this point, ask the community members to raise any questions they have. It is important that those related with the project implementation be answered by the project co-ordinator. The facilitators may answer questions, which are related with this exercise. The community leader and the CDDs should be called upon to respond to questions that involve intra-community issues. After this, the facilitator should thank the people and hand over the meeting to the community leader for closure.
- 9. At the end of the meeting, the facilitator should sit with the community leader, all the distributors and the project co-ordinator. The facilitator should provide a piece of paper and pencil to the

community leader or one of the CDDs to sketch the village map. They should all agree that this sketch is a fair representation of their community. Then ask them to add on the sketch their community's structure (which group- kinship, tribe etc stays where), treatment centres, and homes of the CDDs and the chief. Ask them to locate the center where health education takes place. Ask them to indicate the area where the homes of most refusals and absentees are located. (This information can be linked with what has been mentioned in the meeting and later compared with quantitative information.)

## INTERVIEW GUIDE FOR POLICY-MAKERS/ WHO REPRESENTATIVE /PROGRAMME MANAGERS/ COORDINATORS

This interview is administered on Co-ordinators, Programme managers, representatives of NGDOs involved in CDTI, Ministry of health policymakers and the WHO representative in the country. It is similar to the interview of health personnel. Documents such as registers should be requested before the formal interview so that information can be extracted for the report

#### SECTION A: PROGRAMME MANAGERS/ ONCHO COORDINATORS

#### (a) Community participation and ownership

1. Please explain how communities are involved in CDTI? Probe for process of getting communities to take responsibility, decision-making and ownership.

## (b) Mectizan supply (collection and distribution)

- 2. Please explain process of receiving ivermectin. PROBE FOR:
  - a. Timeliness of supply
    - If there are any delays, at what level do they occur and why?
  - b. Adequacy of the quantity received/shortage
    - In case of shortages, at what level are they experienced and why?
  - c. Process of collection and storage
    - Ask for how it is done and if they are any constraints they experience at the different levels of collection and storage (storage, transport, etc)
  - d. Distribution to communities (opportunities and constraints) In case of constraints, how are they managed?
  - e. Pilferage

#### (c) Coverage

| 3. | <b>EXTRACT INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING</b> (relate to the level of operation e. | g |
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|    | State and LGA)   |   |
|    |  |   |

| a. | Total Population  |
|----|---|
| b. | Number of villages in the area  |
| c. | Number of villages with summary forms   |
| d. | Number of villages treated  |
| e. | Number with severe side effects   |
| f. | Evidence of report update (check annual returns after distribution)  1. Updated  2. Not updated |

## (d) Contribution of resources (finances and others) by partners.

4. FUNDING: Please probe for

| a. | Delays | in  | endorsement | of lett | ers of | agreemen |
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- b. Timeliness in receiving funds
  - In case of delays at what level do they occur and why?
- c. Disbursement of funds
  - Are funds released for CDTI activities?
  - Are funds released on time? If not, at what level are the delays and why?
  - Is counter funding being done as stipulated in the letter of agreement? Please explain your answer.
- d. Adequacy of previous budget
  - If not adequate, why and for what activities?
- e Fund administration:
  - Are financial reports submitted in time?
  - If not why?
- f. Comment on the timeliness of feedback from APOC headquarters on financial reports

### (e) Gender Issues and community groups

5. Please can you tell me about the women involved in CDTI?

#### Probe:

- The responsibilities of females in CDTI activities.
- Opportunities and constraints

#### **SECTION B: MOH POLICY MAKERS (Permanent Secretary/Director Disease Control)**

- 6. Do you have a national Plan for the control of onchocerciasis (Probe for the importance attached to onchocerciasis control
- 7. What kind of support do you provide for Onchocerciasis control activities (PROBE FOR FINANCIAL INPUT)
- 8. Ask about the extent to which CDTI been integrated into other health programmes?
- 9. What post APOC plan is in place to sustain the CDTI activities?
- 10. Ask whether there is anything else about the CDTI programme that they would like to discuss.

#### **HOUSEHOLD SURVEY FORM**

Instructions to the monitor - the following questions should be answered by every member of the household. (1) Ask the head of the household or his/her representative to list the names of all the members of the household. (2)Ask each household member and record the answer in the appropriate column. select 5 persons in three communitys treated by a particular cdd (not more than 1 per household) determine the accuracy of number of tablets given. if accurate code as "1" but if not accurate code as "0"

| For those not selected, leave blank and do not code. |                   |     |   |   |                                       |  |                         |   |  |  |   |   |
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| Community N  | ame               |     | Con   | nmunity code                                | Mor                                   | nth of last tr   | reatment                | House   | ehold ID No  | CI   | DD's name   |   |
| COMMUN<br>ITY:                                       | Sex<br>M=1<br>F=2 | Age | QUESTION 1  | IF YES TO QUESTION 1                        |                                       |  |                         | IF NO TO Q                                    | UEST. 1  | QUESTION 2                                       | Accuracy of number of tablets   |   |
| NAMES of<br>household<br>members                     |                   |     | During the last general treatment, did you receive tablets? Y=1 N=2 | How<br>many<br>tablets<br>were you<br>given | What color were they? White=1 Other=2 | Did<br>You<br>swallow<br>the<br>tablets?<br>Y=1<br>N=2 | How did it affect you?* | If unwell within two days, what did you do?** | Why did you not receive the tablets at that time?*** | Have you taken these tablets since then? Y=1 N=2 | Did you take<br>the tablets the<br>year before<br>the last<br>distribution?<br>Y=1<br>N=2 | Is the number of tablets given by CDD correct by the height of the person?  Correct =1 Incorrect= 0 |
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dose= 0
not treated =00, swelling=05,
no reaction=01, nausea/vomiting=06,
itching=02, many reactions=07,
dizziness=03 feeling better=08,
headache=04, others=88,

no response=

\*codes:

no response= 99

\*\*code: nothing=1,

modern medicine=2

traditional medicine=3

others=4

absent=2 pregnant=3 refusal=4

not informed=5 sick=6

others=7

\*\*\*code: child<5=1,

correct dose = 1

\*\*\*\*code: incorrect

b) Household Participation survey.

Instructions: Interview household head, two women, a young person of either sex less than 20 years old.

|       |     |     | Did you<br>attend<br>health<br>education?<br>Y=1<br>N=0 | Did you<br>participate in<br>deciding on<br>the location<br>of<br>treatment?<br>Y=1 N=0 | Did you<br>participate in<br>deciding on the<br>mode of<br>treatment? | Did you participate in deciding on the time of distribution? | Did you<br>participate in the<br>selection of the<br>distributor? | How did you compensate the CDD who treated you? |
|-------|-----|-----|---|---|---|--|---|---|
|       | Sex | Age |   |   |   | Y=1  | Y= 1  | Y= 1  |
| Names |     |     |   |   |   | N=0  | N=0   | N=0   |
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