Questionnaire 2: Postintervention form

Impact of health awareness campaign in improving the perception of the community about palliative care: A pre- and post-intervention study in rural Tamil Nadu

Form no. _____ Date - ____

Name of the respondent-

Address-

1. Did you or your any family member attend the health awareness campaign conducted recently in your village about palliative care?

If No, then give reason-

- 2. Have you heard about the term palliative care/end of life care/home care for bedridden people/community-based care?
- 3. If yes, what is the source of the information? If no, then skip to Q.13
- 4. What are the conditions requiring such care as in Q.2?
- 5. Who can provide such care as in Q.2?
- What is the benefit of such care as in Q.2? 6.
 - f. Prolongs life
 - Improves quality of life g.
 - h. Reduces financial burden on the family
 - Reduces the stress and burden of caregivers i.
 - j. Others, specify_____
- 7. Does palliative care helps in solving physical, psychological, social, and spiritual problems?
- 8. Can palliative care work alongside and could be integrated into existing programs/treatment?
- What time during the course of such illness as in Q.4, is palliative care needed? 9.

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- -At diagnosis/terminal stage/generally available/cannot say
- 10. In your opinion who can provide such care to these people in your village?
- 11. Do you think community volunteers can
 - a. provide such care
 - b. facilitate such care
 - c. both
- 12. Where can these services are provided best? at home/hospitals/community/clinics/don't know
- 13. Do you think that as a community you can help each other in providing financial/psychological/social support to the needy members of the society?
- 14. In your opinion can such compassionate communities exist?
- 15. If palliative care/end of life care/home care for bedridden people/community-based care services are provided in your village, do you think the people will utilize the services?
- 16. Are you interested in knowing more about palliative care/end of life care/home care for bedridden people/ community-based care?
- 17. Would you like to be a volunteer for such services in your community?

Prompt sheet: Issues to consider during interview

Physical symptoms

Does the patient present with unresolved physical symptoms such as drowsiness, fatigue, dyspnea, vomiting/nausea, persistent cough, pain, edema, constipation, diarrhea, sleep problems, or loss of appetite?

Activities of daily living

- Is the patient having difficulty with toileting, showering, bathing, or food preparation?
- Is there a caregiver to assist the patient?

Psychological

- Is the patient experiencing sustained lowering of mood, tearfulness, guilt or irritability, loss of pleasure, or interest in usual activities?
- Is the patient experiencing feelings of apprehension, tension, anger, fearfulness or nervousness, hopelessness, or a sense of isolation?
- Is the patient requesting a hastened death?

Spiritual/existential

- Is the patient feeling isolated or hopeless?
- Does the patient feel that life has no meaning or that his/her life has been wasted?
- Does the patient require assistance in finding appropriate spiritual resources or services?

Financial/legal

- Are there financial concerns relating to loss of income or costs of treatment, travel expenses, or equipment?
- Is the family socioeconomically disadvantaged?
- Are there conflicting opinions between patient and family relating to legal issues such as end-of-life care options and advance care plans?
- Is the patient or family aware of the various financial schemes available and do they need assistance in accessing these?

Health beliefs, social and cultural

- Does the patient or family have beliefs or attitudes that make health care provision difficult?
- Are there any language difficulties? Does the patient or family require a translator?
- Is the family preventing information about prognosis from being disclosed to the patient?
- Is the patient or family feeling socially isolated?
- Does the family live more than 50 km from the primary service provider?