

ABACUS training
Accra, Ghana: May 24-26 2016
Agenda

Trainers: *Margaret Gyapong* (Dodowa HDSS, Ghana); *Johannes John-Langba* (University of Cape Town, South Africa); *Proochista Ariana* (Oxford University, UK); *John Kinsman* (Umeå University, Sweden)

Monday 23rd May

- Arrival, transfer to Dodowa

Tuesday 24th May – Getting to know the ABACUS study

- 09.00-09.20: Welcome and Introductions (Margaret)
- 09.20-09.50: Overview of the ABACUS study (John)
- 09.50-16.30 (with breaks for coffee and lunch): Review of the research instruments, including information sheets and informed consent forms etc. (John, Johannes, Margaret)
 - HDSS household questionnaire
 - Supplier inventory
 - Customer antibiotic encounter questionnaire
 - Community member FGD
 - Supplier in-depth interview
 - Community member in-depth interview
- 16.30-17.00: Logistics and plans for tomorrow's pilot work (Margaret)

Wednesday 25th May – Piloting the research instruments

- 08.30: Split into three small groups, and head to community to conduct IDIs / FGDs / inventory / exit interviews (bring snacks for lunch)
 - i. Community member FGD + Supplier inventory *or* Customer antibiotic encounter questionnaire (Margaret)
 - ii. Supplier in-depth interview + Supplier inventory *or* Customer antibiotic encounter questionnaire (Johannes)
 - iii. Community member in-depth interview + Supplier inventory *or* Customer antibiotic encounter questionnaire (John)
- Return to Dodowa HDSS HQ by 15.30 - Coffee
- 15.45-17.00: Each group to meet and discuss among themselves interesting preliminary findings and methodological lessons learned; and prepare for presentations and discussions tomorrow

Thursday 26th May – Reflections on the pilot, and looking ahead to implementation

- 08.30-10.30: Each group to present their findings and lessons learned to the larger group, followed by discussions of each
- 10.30-10.45: Coffee break
- 10.45-12.15: Logistics and other outstanding issues that need to be addressed before the study can begin (Margaret, Johannes, John)
- 12.15-13.15: Lunch
- 13.15-15.00: A short introduction to Thematic Analysis (Margaret, Johannes, Proochista, John)
- 15.00-15.15: Coffee
- 15.15-17.00: The standardized analytical approach for qualitative data to be taken in the ABACUS study (Margaret, Johannes and Proochista)
- Close, and transfer to Accra airport