

Interview questionnaire

Section 1: Socio-demographic characteristics

1. What is your gender?

1 Male 2 Female

2. How old are you?

_____years

3. What is your tribe?

1 Mandingo tribe 2 Kpelle tribe

4. What is your current place of residence?

1 Vai Town 2 Clara Town

5. What is your religion?

1 Christian 2 Muslim 3 no religion

99 Other (specify).....

6. What is your marital status?

1 Single 2 Married 3 Widowed 4 Separated/Divorce

7. What is your highest level of education completed?

1 Did not go to school 2 Elementary School 3 High school

4 bachelor's degree or higher

8. What is your principal occupation? (Choose one main occupation to answer)

☐ 1. Unemployed (retired, housewife)

☐ 2. Business owner (with employee (s))

☐ 3. Business Owner (with no employee (s))

☐ 4. Laborer/Employed for wages

☐ 5. Private company employee

☐ 6. Government staff (civil servant, permanent employee, temporary worker)

☐ 7. Work in a family business without pay

☐ 8. Cooperative/ Network Marketing

☐ 9. Farmer/Agriculture

☐ 99. Other, (Specify)-----

Section 2: General knowledge about Ebola virus disease

Question	Yes (1)	No (0)
9. Do you believe a virus causes Ebola? (yes)		
10. Can Ebola virus disease symptoms include severe bleeding? (yes)		
11. Is there a cure for Ebola virus disease? (NO)		
12. Is consuming undercooked meat from infected animals a risk factor for Ebola virus disease? (NO)		
13. Are children more resistant to Ebola virus disease than adults? (NO)		
14. Can Ebola virus disease survivors become immune to the virus? (YES)		
15. Is the Ebola virus disease always fatal? (No)		
16. Can animals, such as bats, transmit Ebola virus disease to humans? (yes)		
17. Does the Ebola virus disease only affect people in African countries? (No)		
18. Can good hygiene practices reduce the risk of Ebola virus disease transmission? (yes)		

Section 3: Knowledge about transmission routes of Ebola virus disease

Question	Yes (1)	No (0)
19. Can Ebola virus disease be transmitted through direct contact with the bodily fluids of an infected person?		
20. Is it possible to contract Ebola virus disease by touching surfaces contaminated with the virus?		
21. Can Ebola virus disease spread through the air over long distances?		
22. Can Ebola virus disease be prevented through vaccination?		
23. Can mosquitoes transmit Ebola virus disease?		
24. Is the sexual transmission of Ebola virus disease possible?		
25. Can Ebola virus disease be spread through casual contact, such as shaking hands?		
26. Can a person transmit the Ebola virus disease before they start showing symptoms?		
27. Is it safe to consume fruit partially eaten by bats in Ebola virus disease-affected areas?		
28. Can the Ebola virus disease survive on surfaces outside the body for several days?		

Section 4: Attitudes toward controlling EVD in communities during funeral activities

Question	Totally not agree (1)	Not agree (2)	Some what agree (3)	Agree (4)	Totally agree (5)
29. Traditional funeral practices can be modified to prevent Ebola virus disease transmission.					
30. You are confident in your ability to protect yourself from Ebola virus disease at a funeral.					
31. You would report a funeral that did not follow safe burial practices for Ebola virus disease victims to the officials.					
32. You trust health authorities to provide accurate information about the risks of Ebola virus disease at funerals					
33. Despite the potential risks, You feel driven to attend a funeral for an Ebola virus victim.					
34. More education is needed on the risks of Ebola virus disease transmission at funerals.					

Section 5: Perceived risk of getting EVD during funerals (Agree (higher score) means high perceived risk)

Question	Totally not agree (1)	Not agree (2)	Some what agree (3)	Agree (4)	Totally agree (5)
35. Attending funerals of Ebola virus disease victims poses a high risk of transmission.					
36. The risk of Ebola virus disease transmission at funerals is often underestimated.					
37. Your community is well-informed about the risks of Ebola virus disease at funerals.					