

APPENDICES

Appendix I: Consent Form

Project Title: on Gender Based Violence, male dominance and risk of HIV infection among women attending antenatal clinics in the Adamawa region of Cameroon.

The study has been described to me in the language that I understand and I freely and voluntarily agree to participate. I have received, read and understood the contents on the participant information sheet. My questions about the study have been answered. I understand that my identity and personal details will not be disclosed to anyone and that I may withdraw from the study without giving a reason at any time and this will not negatively affect me in any way.

Date _____



Signature

Appendix II : Participant Information Sheet

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Faculty of Health Sciences

University of Buea

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Principal Investigator: My name is Ticha Joel Tewara and I am a student studying Masters in Public Health from the University of Buea.

Introduction: I am Ticha Joel Tewara, a final year student studying Masters in Public Health in the Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Buea. We are carrying out a research on Gender Based Violence, male dominance and risk of HIV infection among women attending antenatal clinics in the Adamawa region of Cameroon. We will be providing you with adequate information and so, we invite you to kindly be a part of this study. As a potential participant, you are free to decide to be a part of this research or not and as you go through the information that will be made available to you, feel free to stop me and ask any question that you don't understand and I will explain it to you.

Purpose of Research: The purpose of the study is to gain insight as to whether the high prevalence of HIV among the feminine gender in the Adamawa region is related to violence against women and male dominance. It is hoped that with your participation, we can determine if VAW contributes to this relatively higher prevalence or not. This study is important in that, the results generated from it could be used in developing other policies which could reduce VAW and reduce exposure to HIV.

Voluntary Participation: You have the freedom to or not to participate in this study. You are also free to stop or withdraw from answering the questions at any moment during the research and choosing not to participate in this study will not affect the quality of care you will be receiving thereafter.

Procedure: You will be participating with me in an interview. During the interview, I will be sitting with you in a safe and comfortable room in the Ngaoundere Regional Hospital. If you do not wish to answer any of the questions during the interview, feel free to say so and the interviewer will move to next question. The information obtained during our session will be confidential since no one else besides the research team will have access to the information that will be provided and the duration of this interview is about 30 minutes.

Risks: There is minimal risk involved in participating in this study but for the fact that you may feel uncomfortable giving us some personal information that are confidential.

Benefits: This study will permit you to express yourself and get counsel from a resource person on preventive measures against HIV or live a healthy life as an HIV infected person (for those that will be tested positive)

Who to Contact: In case of any need, doubt, or problem, please contact the researcher and supervisor through the following contact number (670734370) for the researcher, or the translator (696857024) Thank you for considering participating in this study. You will be given a copy of this form to keep for your records.

APPENDIX III: QUESTIONNAIRE

DATA COLLECTION FORM

SN	Question	Answer		
1	Date of Consultation			
2	Initials of name			
3	Age			
4	Marital status(1= Single 2= Married 3= Union but not married 4= divorced 5= widow 6= unknown)			
5	Matrimony 1= Monogamy 2= polygamy 3=unknown			
6	Since when have you been married?			
7	Level of education (1= Uneducated 2= Primary 3= Secondary 4= higher 5= unavailable)			
8	Profession (1= Housewife 2= Salary owned 3=student 4= unavailable)			
9	Region of origin (1= center 2= Littoral 3= North west 4=South west 5= East 6=West 7= South 8=Adamawa 9=Extreme north 10=North 11= unavailable)			
10	Division			
11	Religion (1= Christian 2= Muslim 3= unavailable...)			
12	HIV serology			
13	Date of diagnosis			
14	Partners HIV Serology			
15	Physical violence by an intimate partner	Questions	Once/ a few times/Many times.	When was your first time experience
		Was slapped or had something thrown at her that could hurt her		
		Was pushed or shoved		
		Was hit with fist or something		

		else that could hurt		
		Was kicked, dragged or beaten up		
		Was choked or burnt on purpose		
		Perpetrator threatened to use or actually used a gun, knife or other weapon against her		
16	Sexual violence by an intimate partner	Was physically forced to have sexual intercourse when she did not want to		
		Had sexual intercourse when she did not want to because she was afraid of what partner might do		
		Was forced to do something sexual that she found degrading or humiliating		
17	Emotional abuse by an intimate partner	Was insulted or made to feel bad about herself		
		Was belittled or humiliated in front of other people		
		Perpetrator had done things to scare or intimidate her on purpose, e.g. by the way he looked at her, by		

		yelling or smashing things		
		Perpetrator had threatened to hurt someone she cared about		
18	Sexual violence since age 15 years by others (non-partners)			
19	Childhood sexual abuse (before age 15 years)			
20	Forced first Intercourse?		At what Age?	
21	Number of primary male partners			
22	Number of non-primary male partners			
23	Transactional sex			
24	Do you or your partner use condoms? (1.Always 2. Most of the time 3.Rarely 4. Never)			
25	Drug use?		Which drug?	
26	After taking alcohol, have you ever...	Fought		
		Accident		
		Injury		
		Had sex with someone you just met		
		Been arrested		

FORMULAIRE DE COLLECTE DE DONNÉES

Questionnaire

SN	QUESTIONS		RÉPONSES	
1	Date de consultation			
2	Initiales du nom			
3	Âge			
4	État matrimonial (1 = célibataire, 2 = marié, 3 = Union mais non mariée, 4 = divorcé, 5 = veuve, 6 = inconnu)			
5	Mariage (1 = Monogamie, 2 = polygamie, 3 = inconnue)			
6	Depuis quand es-tu marié?			
7	Niveau d'éducation (1 = non instruit, 2 = primaire, 3 = secondaire, 4 = supérieur, 5= indisponible)			
8	Profession (1 = Ménagère, 2 = Salarié, 3 = étudiant 4 = indisponible)			
9	Région d'origine (1 = centre, 2 = Littoral, 3 = Nord-ouest, 4 = Sud-ouest, 5 = Est, 6 = Ouest, 7 = Sud, 8 = Adamawa, 9 = Extrême nord, 10 = Nord, 11 = indisponible)			
10	Département d'origine			
11	Religion (1 = chrétien, 2 = musulman, 3 = indisponible)			
12	Sérologie VIH			
13	Date du diagnostic			
14	Sérologie VIH du partenaire			
15	Violence physique par un partenaire intime	Questions	1=Une fois, 2=quelques fois, 3=plusieurs fois.	À quand remonte ta première expérience
		A été giflé ou on lui a jeté quelque chose qui pourrait la blesser		
		A été poussé		
		A été frappé avec le poing ou quelque chose d'autre qui pourrait blesser		
		A été frappé (avec son pied), tirré au sol ou battu		
		A été étouffé ou brûlé exprès		
		L'auteur a menacé d'utiliser ou a effectivement utilisé une arme à feu, couteau ou autre arme contre elle		

16	Violence sexuelle par un partenaire intime	A été physiquement forcé d'avoir des rapports sexuels quand elle ne voulait pas		
		A eu des rapports sexuels alors qu'elle ne voulait pas parce qu'elle avait peur de ce que son partenaire pourrait faire		
		A été forcée de faire quelque chose de sexuel qu'elle trouvait dégradant ou humiliant		
17	Abus émotionnel par un partenaire intime	A été insultée ou fait se sentir mal		
		A été rabaissé ou humilié devant les autres gens		
		L'auteur avait fait des choses pour l'effrayer ou l'intimider exprès, par exemple par la façon dont il l'a regardée, en criant ou en brisant des choses		
		L'auteur avait menacé de blesser quelqu'un et elle s'en souciait.		
18	Violence sexuelle depuis l'âge de 15 ans par les autres (non-partenaires)	<input type="radio"/> Oui <input type="radio"/> Non		
19	Abus sexuel pendant l'enfance (avant l'âge de 15 ans)	<input type="radio"/> Oui <input type="radio"/> Non		
20	Premier rapport sexuel forcé?	<input type="radio"/> Oui <input type="radio"/> Non	À quel âge?	
21	Nombre de partenaires masculins principaux			
22	Nombre de partenaires masculins non principaux			
23	Sexe transactionnel (pour argent, matériels, faveur etc)	<input type="radio"/> Oui <input type="radio"/> Non		
24	Est-ce que vous ou votre partenaire utilisez des préservatifs? (1. Toujours, 2. La plupart du temps, 3. Rarement, 4. Jamais)			
25	L'usage de drogues?		Quel médicament?	
26		Combattu		
		Accident		
		Blessure (injury)		

	Après avoir pris de l'alcool, avez-vous déjà ...	Eu des relations sexuelles avec quelqu'un que vous venez de rencontrer	
		Été arrêté	