

DATA COLLECTION INSTRUMENT

LIFESTYLE AND DIETARY DETERMINANTS OF PEPTIC ULCER OCCURRENCE

Community Survey Questionnaire — Kailahun Town, Sierra Leone, 2025

Participant Code: _____ Date: _____ Interviewer ID: _____

Instructions to Interviewer: Read each question clearly. Record responses exactly as stated. Do not suggest answers. All responses are strictly confidential.

SECTION A: SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

A1. Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

A2. Age (completed years): _____

A3. Marital Status: ☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Divorced/Separated ☐ Widowed

A4. Highest level of education completed: ☐ No formal education ☐ Primary ☐ Secondary ☐ Tertiary

A5. Primary occupation: ☐ Subsistence farmer ☐ Petty trader ☐ Civil servant ☐ Informal labourer ☐ Other: _____

A6. Duration of residence in Luawa Chiefdom: _____ years

SECTION B: LIFESTYLE FACTORS

B1. Do you currently smoke cigarettes or use any tobacco products? ☐ Yes (currently) ☐ No (never) ☐ Formerly (quit)

B2. If yes to B1, how many cigarettes per day on average? _____

B3. Do you consume alcoholic beverages (palm wine, country gin, beer, spirits)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

B4. If yes to B3, how often? ☐ Daily ☐ 4–6 times/week ☐ 2–3 times/week ☐ Once a week ☐ Less than weekly

B5. Do you usually consume alcohol before your first meal of the day? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes

B6. Do you frequently use painkillers (aspirin, ibuprofen, paracetamol, diclofenac) without a doctor's prescription? ☐ Yes (frequently) ☐ No ☐ Sometimes

B7. If yes to B6, do you take them on an empty stomach? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes

B8. Do you use traditional herbal medicines for stomach pain or other illnesses? ☐ Yes ☐ No

B9. How often do you feel stressed (work, financial, family pressures)? ☐ Very often ☐ Often ☐ Sometimes ☐ Rarely ☐ Never

B10. How many hours of sleep do you get on a typical night? _____ hours

B11. Do you engage in regular physical activity or exercise (at least 30 minutes, 3×/week)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

SECTION C: DIETARY PRACTICES

C1. How many main meals do you eat on a typical day? ☐ 1 meal ☐ 2 meals ☐ 3 meals ☐ 4 or more meals

C2. Do you regularly skip meals (miss a scheduled mealtime)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

C3. If yes to C2, which meal do you most often skip? ☐ Breakfast ☐ Lunch ☐ Dinner

C4. How often do you eat spicy foods (pepper soup, chili-based stews)? ☐ Daily / Frequently ☐ Several times a week ☐ Occasionally ☐ Rarely ☐ Never

C5. How often do you eat fried or oily foods (fried fish, deep-fried plantain, palm-oil-heavy stews)? ☐ Daily / Frequently ☐ Several times a week ☐ Occasionally ☐ Rarely ☐ Never

C6. How often do you eat fruits (oranges, mangoes, pawpaw, etc.)? ☐ Daily ☐ Several times a week ☐ Occasionally ☐ Rarely ☐ Never

C7. How often do you eat vegetables in your meals? ☐ Daily ☐ Several times a week ☐ Occasionally ☐ Rarely ☐ Never

C8. What is your main source of protein in daily meals? ☐ Fish ☐ Chicken/meat ☐ Legumes (beans, groundnuts) ☐ Eggs ☐ None regularly

C9. Do you drink coffee or strong tea? ☐ Yes, daily ☐ Yes, occasionally ☐ No

SECTION D: PEPTIC ULCER DISEASE HISTORY

D1. When were you first diagnosed with peptic ulcer disease? Year: _____

D2. Were you diagnosed by a qualified health professional? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure

D3. What symptoms led to your diagnosis? (tick all that apply) ☐ Burning stomach pain ☐ Nausea/vomiting ☐ Bloating ☐ Blood in vomit/stool ☐ Loss of appetite

D4. Have you been hospitalised for PUD or its complications? ☐ Yes ☐ No

D5. Are you currently on medication for PUD? ☐ Yes ☐ No