Perspectives on International Training

PANEL DISCUSSION

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Country Experience

Argentina  Bangladesh  Brazil  China  Costa Rica  DRC  Egypt  Ghana  Guatemala  India
Indonesia  Kazakhstan  Kenya  Malawi  Mexico  Nigeria  Panama  Philippines  Qatar  Tanzania
Thailand  Turkey  Uganda  Uruguay  Vietnam  Zambia
General Overview of Challenges

• Difficult training environments
  ➢ Electricity/telecommunications – frequent power loss and surges, spotty wi-fi and cell phone coverage all lead to data transmission issues

• Translations – multiple languages, cultural barriers, “on-the-fly”
More challenges

- **Privacy** – personal boundaries, interviews are frequently a family affair
- **Facilities** – insufficient space, poor lighting, temperature extremes
- **Managing subcontractor staff** – often difficult to evaluate skills, language barriers
• National education survey in Nigeria in 2014/2015

• Numerous obstacles to doing household surveys there – poor internet/electricity, country instability, remote areas are difficult to travel to, language issues
Desistance Wish List

- Single desktop application
- Easy to use and develop
- Intuitive and Graphical
- Seamlessly integrates all features
- Accurate in prompting recall
- Low cost!
The Challenges

• Screen Real Estate!

• Ten years of life event data

• Multiple Domains & Sub-domains of data

• Embedded Survey instrument & Life Event Calendar
• 8 domains of data to collect
• 30 sub-domains of data to collect
• An integrated survey instrument to collect the data
• Intuitive LEC
Ghana

- This study concerns HIV/AIDS prevention and education in military populations of developing countries.

- Additional challenges - lack of incentive to participate and lack of appropriate areas for privacy.
Know your HIV STATUS.
PREVENT your BABY from THE VIRUS
The rewards are many!!!

• Training internationally can be challenging but extremely rewarding
• Key is to be flexible and prepared for anything to happen!
• Be open to a new view of the world.
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