

OUT REACH REPORT CONDUCTED IN OPAR SOROTI DISTRICT ON HEALTH PRACTICAL SERVICES AND SENSITISATION

Date: 6th March, 2014

Location

The community outreach was conducted in Opar village, Gweri sub-county, Soroti District. Opar is 10 Kilometres from Soroti town. This outreach was supported by Teso Safe Motherhood project.

Activities

This was community integrated services and immunisation inclusive. Sensitisation was done to mothers who came for postnatal care and immunisation of children after 6 weeks of delivery. There were 35 mothers for postnatal care and 66 children for immunisation.

Immunisation Topics Covered

- Immunisable diseases and their vaccines
- Benefits of completing all immunisation in time before the child is one year
- Proper care of child's health card



Taking weight of the child using a Salter weighing scale as a mother reads the weight

Challenges

Lack of health workers skills on weighing children on usage Salter weighing scale

Example;

- The weighing scale above the high level of the reader
- Mothers left alone to read the weight of their babies

Achievement

- ✓ Active involvement of mothers in monitoring of the growth of their children

Recommendation

- Needs to train health workers on growth monitoring and promotion especially skills in taking weight

SENSITIZATION OF PATIENTS IN SOROTI SUB-COUNTY HEALTH CENTRE III ON MALARIA CONTROL

Date: 14th March, 2014

Location

Soroti Health Centre III is a public health centre 3 kilometres from Soroti town.

Activity

Sensitisation of patients in Out Patients Department [OPD] was done on malaria control

Topics covered

- ✓ Use of long lasting insecticides mosquito nets
- ✓ Care of mosquito nets
- ✓ Key signs and symptoms of simple and complicated malaria



Patients very attentive as Daniel teach them on control of malaria

Achievements

- ✓ Patients were enthusiastic to get information
- ✓ They were free to raise their concerns example appreciation for universal mosquito net distributions

Challenges

- Inadequate anti-malarial drugs in the health unit
- Uncooperative health workers
- Inadequate staffing
- Lack of safe drinking water in the health unit

Recommendations

- Increase staffing
- Rational drug use by health workers
- Provision of safe water for drinking example Rain water harvest, tap water etc.

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