**3.2.B.1 Baseline interview transcript**

| **Respondent ID** | 1-GM-3-3 |
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| **Respondent Group Number** | 3 |
| **Care Group Role** | Member |
| **Consent to participate** | (missing) |
| **Interview date** | (missing) |
| **Interview start time** | 11:27 |
| **Interview end time** | 11:50 |
| **Interview location** | Tobwe |
| **Interview language** |  |
| **Interview condition notes** |  |
| **Enumerator ID** |  |
| **Fully anonymized** |  |
| **Resident community** |  |
| **Gender** | Female |
| **Age** | 28 |

**Section 2: Group Experience.**

**1\_Are you a member of any groups now (Care group of VSLA or others)? Have you been a member of any group in the in the past.**

*Yes. No I have never joined.*

**2\_What is the purpose of these groups?**

*The purpose of this group is to equip women about hygiene and health information. This information evolve around breastfeeding, how to hold a baby when breastfeeding, how to cook healthy meals for the baby and cleaning our homes.*

**3\_What made you decide to join the group?**

*I joined the group as I wanted to get information and be educated on things that I did know about hygiene and health.*

1. **Probe - Can you please highlight some of the activities you do as a Care Group?**

*We are taught about hygiene and health and at times we do role plays.*

1. **Probe - What benefits do or did you get from the group?**

*Hmmmm I have never seen the benefits for now.*

1. **Probe - How often do you meet as a Care Group?**

*We meet once a month as a group.*

1. **Probe - As a Care group what are some of the challenges/successes you have experienced?**

*I have not seen any challenges for now.*

*The success I have seen is that we are being empowered and given information which helps to improve the health of our children. Also, i have been given porridge to supplement the feeding my child.*

1. **Probe - How have solved these Challenges?**

*There are no challenges solved.*

1. **Probe - How often do you get home visits from your peer group members/ Lead Mothers?**

*She visited me once.*

1. **Probe - Do you have any challenges with joining and participating in the groups? Please explain**.

*No, I do not have any challenges of meeting with this group. This is because I joined freely as I k ew who were the members of the group.*

**Section 4: What constitutes care group quality.**

**26\_What characteristics of a care group make it of high quality for you?**

*I do not know. .*

1. **Probe - Who is the group?**

*Women only.*

1. **Probe - Are there any males, grandmothers in your group?**

*No we do not have.*

1. **Probe - If yes what has been their contribution towards group’s activities?**

*No.*

1. **Probe - Who leads the group and how?**

*The lead mother is the one who leads the group as she is the one who receives and disseminate all the information that is needed. .*

1. **Probe - Who participates in a meetings? How are solutions identified?**

*We all participant as alluded that we have singing and dramas, so everyone has a role to play whenever we meet.*

*When we have a challenge we always ask from the lead mother and VHW and we also deliberate among ourselves.*

1. **Probe - Practicability of discussions to apply at home?**

*These are practical as we are taught how to breastfeed and how to hold the child.*

1. **Probe - Interactive Activities.**

*The activities are more than interactive in which we sing and act drama as a group so in this way everyone is involved and interact without any challenges.*

1. **Probe - Social Support from members.**

*No they have visited me.*

1. **Probe - Recognition by community leaders or structures?**

*I don’t have any idea, I can lie about that.*

**Section 5: Recommendations.**

**29\_Do you have any recommendation for programs that support groups for women in your community?**

*Amalima Loko to support us, with the drilling of a borehole for water. We request for support with refreshments during our sessions considering that some could have travelled long distances.*

*Regarding meetings we request that if the frequency can be adjusted to make sure that everyone participates.*

**30\_Do you feel there are any other topics or groups who could benefit from participating in a Care Group in your Community?**

*No idea.*

**Section 6: Conclusion and Remaining Thoughts.**

**31\_Would you ever consider becoming a Lead Mother for a Care Group? Why or Why not?**

*No, I am not ready to teach people at this time in point.*

**32\_Is there anything else you would like to add?**

*No.*