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

| **Respondent ID** | 2-GM-1-8 |
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| **Respondent Group Number** | 8 |
| **Care Group Role** | Member |
| **Consent to participate** | (missing) |
| **Interview date** | 07-11-22 |
| **Interview start time** | 16:01 |
| **Interview end time** | 16:36 |
| **Interview location** | Daluka |
| **Interview language** | (missing) |
| **Interview condition notes** | (missing) |
| **Enumerator ID** | (missing) |
| **Fully anonymized** | (missing) |
| **Resident community** | (missing) |
| **Gender** | Female |
| **Age** | 17 |

**Section 2: Group experience**

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

*I am a member of the Care group only and I have never joined any other group.*

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

*Teach each other about hygiene,how to take care of the child and how we should wear especially when going to the public.*

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

*To get help about hygiene and knowledge about childcare*

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

*We learn , do drama and also sing in a Care Group.*

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

*To get new ideas from other women*

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

*Once a week on Wednesdays.*

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

*We have no challenges as a group and the good things we have, are teachings each other about cleanliness in our homes*

1. **Probe - How have you solved these challenges?**

*None*

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

*The Lead Mother visits every week before Wednesdays and as peer group members we don’t meet.*

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

*There are no challenges in joining care groups. We all take part in care group meetings*

**Section 4: What constitutes care group “quality”**

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

*Helping each other, doing something that is good,and doing something that is fun and also motivates people. It should also be a group which teaches people and sends good messages to other people.*

1. **Probe - How would you describe a high-quality care group?**
   1. **Probe - Who is in the group?**

*Mothers with children who are below five years****.***

* 1. **Probe - In your Care groups do you have any male/grandmother/young mothers members?**
  2. *There are no males in the group but we have a grandmother and young mothers.*
  3. **Probe - If yes, what has been their contribution towards your group’s activities?**

*Grandmother teaches us about how to wear in a respectable manner and how to breastfeed the child whilst young mothers do drama and sing and we get to teach other community members what they do not know.*

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

*Lead Mother is the one who leads the group, she visits our homes and checks up our children’s clinic books as well as teaching us.*

* 1. **Probe - Participation: Who participates in a meeting? How are solutions identified?**

*Group members participate in the group and when we have issues we discuss the problems as a group and come up with solutions.*

* 1. **Probe - Practicality of discussions to apply at home.**

*Yes it is practical since it has taught us what is right and we have made positive changes in our homes.*

* 1. **Probe - Interactive activities.**

*Drama is useful as it teaches us more when we take part.*

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

*As a group we have not done or offered any social support to any group member.*

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

Village Heads and councilors support us by being present in some of our meetings.

* 1. **Probe - Other**

None.

**27\_What (if anything) makes your experience in a group of other women like yourself good? (Probe for: what does good mean?)**

I *have gained knowledge and it has helped me change my behaviour since I am now informed by the new knowledge****.***

**28\_What (if anything) made your experience in a group not so good?**

*Some members look down upon each other and do not take each other’s ideas seriously. Some people dominate in the group.*

**Section 5: Recommendations**

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

1. **Probe - What can be done better?**

*They need to build us boreholes because we have water shortage, the well are falling apart,we need access to safe and clean water.*

1. **Probe - How can groups be led or facilitated differently?**

*I do not know, maybe coming with many topics to teach us would help,but people have to be taught to listen to each other because some people look down upon ideas that would have been passed by someone else.*

1. **Probe - How can Amalima Loko, health care workers, or community leaders support Care Groups better?**

*Start projects for us so that we stand on our feet as women for example a chicken project and even start clubs for us or even start tuckshops for us.*

*Amalima Loko should start sustainable projects for us, and health workers have to teach us about how to take care of our children and our homes more.The village head needs to gain more information for us and be more active so that the community members are always up to date about projects that are taking place in the area.*

*“Abezempilakahle bengazosifundisa ukuthi amaguma aphathwa njani,labantwana baphathwa njan lokuthi nxa ungumama womntwana kumbe umama weguma uziphathe njani…”*

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

*There are no other topics I know of.*

**Section 6: Conclusion and remaining thoughts**

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

*Yes but there is a lot of work to do and would have a challenge if there are materials to read because I did not get enough education.*

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

*None*