IDI-Client-007

Thank you , as discussed ealier in my introction, today is 12th of march 2015, We will be discussing with you about HIV care service, I am going to ask you some general questions about your self, your health and HIV services, be free to ask clarification for any question you do not understand. As I mentioned to you ealier we will audio record our discussion because I will not be able to write everything down while we continue with. Also you are not forced to answer any questions you do not want to, pleas let me know, I will ask another question. Is it okay can we start the interview now?

Res: Yes it’s okay

Int: okay, first, I would like to know when and where did you go for HIV test?

Res: First they came those people who use tents for HIV checking, I tested and I was told that I was fine

Int: Where did you test?

Res: it was at …. At the junction to…, there after I realized that my health was not well.

Int:Eeh were you sick?

Res: yes

Int:Mmh

Res: then when I come here at…, I heard the announcements about the Mobile lab testing from ….so I came straight for testing

Int: Mhh! When was this

Res: on 13th in October mwaka janaTarehe tatu mwezi wa kumi

Int: Mwezi wa kumi mwaka huu?

Res:Eeh

Int: Then what were the results?

Res: Nikaambiwa nina maambukizi

Int: Mhh!

Res: then we got information that a relative , our Uncle, had died in…., I told them that am not well but my relatives forced me to go

Res: My wife came, and they asked her where is your husband, they phoned me, but I said me am sleeping, so I did not come to clinic that day, I came the next day

Int:Mmh!

Int:what happened, what were your CD4 count

Res:I was told it was 282,

Int:Mmh!

Res: I was told that, I should start ART but then I went to… for funeral

Int:so how long did you stay in ….

Res:Two months

Int:so you stayed for two months without medication

Res: yes

Int; But you ould have started ART even in …, HIV clinics are all over the country,

Res:I just did not want to, after all in the firs place I tested, I was told there is no infection and then here in the mobile lab I was told I have so I was confused.

Int: Mmh so what did you do?

Int: tell me what happened after knowing your status up to today when we are discussing?

Res: lat week I come back from…

Int: then what happened?

Res: I tell you , I was very weak , I can not even eat, I was vomiting, I only live by porridge

Int:Mmh!

Int: did yo go to hospital,

Res: I went to see that doctor in room … on the right side

Int:mmh! then?

Res: they gave me 18 white tablets to take, I don’t know the name

Int: Did they tell you it was ARTs?

Res: I don’t know, they said I use untile 18th then I come for other tablets

Int: so how are you feeling now, have checked for the CD4 again, it could be low than before?

Res: I have not checked again

Int:okay, may be you can check again today, since the mobile lab is here today, Res:Inadhoofika

Int:Did you share your result with other family or relatives?

Res: only me and my wife and my brother who lives in…

Int: did you try anything at home to take care of your health, like going to see a traditional healer or something else

Res: No, I cant , that will be stupidity, for a disease like this goint to local herbalist what do you expect

Int:Mmh so what were you doing all these months without treatment

Res: sometimes I was feeling just okay

Int: so if your wife did not tell you that your name was caolled at the clinic, you were not planning to come?

Res:Maybe I would have come anothr day

Int: What were you waiting, is not that it is a mistake, I just want to know the reason? Why the delay?

Res:I was still thinking and I was also feeling so tired

Int: so you were waiting the day you become strong enough to come at the clinic,

Res: when my wife said they have called your name I had to come, because my sister also come early in the morning, telling me I have to come here for treatment,

The wife was around, she said basicall her husband did not want to enter care for the resoan she does not know, and she talked to his sister as his health was fast detoriarating, then the sister managed to convice his brother to come. She even tried to ask the nurses to phone him , but he did not ant to come. Until now when he is very sick.

Int: okay, it seems your wife is already on ART?

Res: Yes

Int: Mhh!

Res: actually that woman, she is the one who is killing me

Int:Mmh how?

Res:that woman was living in …

Int: Mmh!

Res: the moment I just married her she started falling sick, I think she is the one who infected me

Int: when did you marry her?

Res:it was 2001

Int: so you married her in 2001 and she started being sick in 2005, then you feel she brought this to you?

Int: did you test for HIv before marriage?

Res:I did not know she had HIV

Int:for her she started drugs long ago, me I did not know

Int:Do you have children

Res:Yes two

Int: tell me why you did not go for HIV test if you suspected her since 2005 until now is nine years?

Res: silence

Res: In 2005 she run and went to live with her parents for two years

Int: and you who were you living with

Res:was living alone

Int: then what made you go for testing in October lats year

Res: I swa my health was detoriarating

Int: how did yo know you are detoriatrating

Res: I was frequentlt sick, weak, recurrent fevers, I was just sick pain everywhere

What do you have to say about HIV care and the heatlch care providers

Res:they care me just well

Int:what is you advice to other peole wh are reluctant to join into care

Res:I advice them to join , other wise the face the music like me (laughing)

Int; I hope you habe learde something, look at you wife she looks okay and beautiful

Res: you are very right she is doing fine, I will also educate others

Int: thank you for the information, do you have any qouestion

Res: No thank you.

Teme end 12.50 pm