HELP & SHELTER/UNFPA WORKSHOP TO ENHANCE KNOWLEDGE IN WORKPLACES ON GENDER, GENDER BASED VIOLENCE, DVA, & SOA

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A total of 25 persons completed evaluation forms

4 = Strongly Agree	3 = Agree	2 =Disagree	1= Strongly Disagree
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	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No comment
Information was presented in a way I could	18/72%	6/24%		2 is ugree	1/4%
understand					
The workshop increased my knowledge and understanding of Gender & Gender Roles	20/80%	5/20%			
I now better understand the forms, causes and consequences of Domestic Violence	15/60%	10/40%			
My knowledge about sexual & reproductive rights and issues has increased	15/60%	9/36%	1/4%		
I now have a better understanding of the Domestic Violence Act & Sexual Offences Act	12/50%	13/52%			
There was enough time for discussion and sharing of information	4/ 16%	14/56%	7/28%		
The workshop venue was comfortable and conducive for learning	8/32%	13/52%	2/8%	1/4%	1/4%
The facilitators were effective in presenting topics & information	18/72%	7/28%			
Presentations, handouts and training materials were useful and effective	16/64%	9/36%			

What parts of the workshop participants found most useful:

- Gender & Domestic Violence (2 persons)
- Gender & Gender Roles (4 persons)
- Domestic violence (2 persons)
- Domestic Violence and Sexual Offences Act (3 persons)
- DVA (1 person)
- All the sessions (5 persons)
- Cycle of violence was useful knowledge as it provokes a desire to nip DV in the bud
- The information on the Act and the relationship of socialization to our perceptions of gender
- The different types of abuses especially the list of psychological abuses in the handout
- The first presentation on relationships and abuse
- Gender & DVA
- When staff participated in presentations
- Clarification on how perceptions are built into our minds from childhood about the roles of men and women in society

What participants found least useful about the workshop:

• Sexual Reproduction

What area/topic participants would have liked to have been covered in more detail:

- Domestic Violence & Cycle of Abuse
- Understanding the forms, causes and consequences of DV
- Cycle of Violence, recommendations and support groups
- Some tools to help with the abuse
- Gender roles and SOA
- Domestic violence as it relates to child/children being protected from their attackers
- Sexual abuse
- DVA & SOA (8 persons)
- All were done extensively

How will participants use the training they received:

- Look for signs of violence in my community and try to assist in bringing justice to victims
- Share information with family, co-workers, Church members
- By keeping my own training in my Church with the pamphlets I have received
- To encourage everyone to speak up and not to be afraid
- Information has helped me personally and I will share knowledge gained at the workplace & Church
- Apply it to myself & others
- To educate others
- look for signs of violence in my life & life of others
- Sharing it with my neighbour
- I will use my Church as a forum and counsel on SRH and abuse and on the Laws that govern these areas
- better myself as an individual and my relationship

Naming of at least 3 things that participants will do differently as a result of the workshop:

- Talking about what I would look for in a relationship
- Sit down and discuss about sex with my children, report any domestic abuse and take persons I know facing domestic abuse to Help & Shelter
- talk to my spouse about every issue, enlighten others seek to be more involved in awareness raising
- Work harder at understanding why people behave the way they do in relationships, tell others about the DVA & SOA Acts, seek help for both victims & of violence perpetrators
- Listen and talk more with partner
- Teach my son to be expressive, talk more about sexual relationship
- Inform educate and communicate with others about DV
- Communicate with my spouse better, educate more people about DV and the consequences of DV
- Improve on verbal communication, approach relationship more strategically to learn more about my partner
- Look at situations more in depth, communicate more, listen
- Will encourage persons to visit Help & Shelter when they experience problems
- Tell my younger family about sex without taboo, advise co-workers in a different manner, know how to treat my reproductive health life and apply DVA
- Talk more with my partner about our relationship

- Stop physically abusing (hitting/slapping) my children
- React differently to my spouse, communicate more, be a better person
- Identify and discuss what I need in an ideal relationship before committing to one, avoid getting into relationship that is abusive, get involved in FP

Participants' further suggestions for improving the workshop:

- I think that this organizations needs more seminars like this so everyone can hear
- Have another session targeting younger staff
- More workshops
- More posters would be great as it relates to talking about the Acts. Role playing would also be effective
- More time to be given to participants to write from the slides
- I day is inadequate, I advise 1 day for each topic
- A follow up session or an afternoon session that can be attended eg a programme for at least 6 weeks to have in depth sessions