Rwandan Nurses Saving Lives

Reducing RHD in Rwanda is a government priority. Through your attendance at the Rwandan Nurses Saving Lives conference, you have received education and skills to increase your clinical decision making process. To help develop a strong advocacy for nurses doing assessments, diagnosis, treatment plans, and management on Streptococuccus pyogenes infection, Acute Rheumatic Fever, and Rheumatic Heart Disease, we need to understand how you are using your knowledge and skills. This information can help support nurses, increase supplies at the HCs, and provide additional education/updates. All information is confidential and not linked to you or your clinic.

Please Fill out once a week

Knowledge/skill	Week	total							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Completed a full history of									
present illness									
Completed a HEENT/ neck									
exam									
Listened to lungs									
Listened to the heart									
Completed an abdominal									
exam									
Heard abnormal heart									
sounds									
Did a referral based on an									
expanded history & physical									
Evaluate any patient for									
Heart Failure symptoms-									
tired/ fatigue/ Short of									
breath/ night time cough/									
Leg edema									
Anything to share:									

Streptococcus pyogenes Infections

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	total
# Patient with a sore throat									
# with Clinical ST									
# prescribed Penicillin									
# patients with skin rash									
# with Clinical Impetigo									
# prescribed Penicillin									

How many sore throat patients were referred from teachers?		
How many sore throat patients were referred by CHW?		
Anything to share:		
Acute Rheumatic fever Signs and symptoms		
Action item	Yes	No
Did you provide education to parents about the importance of watching		
of a new fever without a sore throat in 1-4 weeks?		
Have you seen any patient with possible ARF?		
Did you refer for an echocardiogram at the DH?		
Do you have results from the echo?		
Was the cardiac echo changes?		
Did you provide education on the body's autoimmune response that		
caused the ARF		
Anything to share?		
Rheumatic Heart Disease		
Action item	Yes	No
Have you seen a child, or young adult that may have RHD?	168	INO
Was there a heart murmur or abnormal heart sounds?	1	
Was there a heart murmur or abnormal heart sounds? Did you refer for an echocardiogram at the DH?		
Did you refer for an echocardiogram at the DH?		

About your Clinic Practice. Please place an "x"

Action Item	No	some	Yes
Are you able to use your new knowledge and skills at the HC?			
Were you able to share your knowledge and skills with other			
nurses?			
Do you feel supported and encouraged to use your stethoscope			
when completing exams			
Do you feel that you have the time to complete the exam?			
Does your clinic have tongue depressors?			
Does your clinic have Penicillin available?			
Do you use the Sore Throat Clinical checklist to help make your			
clinical diagnosis?			
Do you feel that you can make a good referral to the DH NCD			
clinic when you find a cardiac murmur?			
Anything you or your clinic needs to improve the nurses ability to	save lives	through red	ucing RHD?