

APPENDIX V: SEMI-STRUCTURED QUESTIONNAIRE

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SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW GUIDE ON MALARIA DIAGNOSTIC LANDSCAPE AMONG FORMAL PRIVATE DRUG RETAIL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS IN HO MUNICIPALITY

DATE.....

Facility code.....

Facility location.....

SECTION A: Section A – Background of Health Facility and Service Provider Circle the correct number corresponding to the right answer			
..... Numbers	Questions		Response
1	Type of facility	Pharmacy Over the counter Medicine seller	1 2
2	Age of shop attendant		
3	Sex of attendant	Male Female	1 2
4	What is your level of education	No formal education Primary Junior High School Senior High School	1 2 3 4

		Tertiary	5
5	Religious affiliation	Christian	1
		Muslim	2
		Traditionalist	3
		Other (please specify)	4
6	How long have you served in this shop?	Less than 6 months	1
		6months-1year	2
		2-5 years	3
		6-10 years	4
		Above 10 years	5
7	Are you the owner of this shop?	Yes	1
		No	2
SECTION B: The availability and use of malaria diagnostic services among formal private drug retail sector			
8	Does your facility have a means for testing cases of fever before treatment is dispensed?	Yes	1
		No	2
9	When was the last time a case of fever was tested in this facility before dispensing anti-malarials?	Less than a week ago	1
		1-2 weeks ago	2
		3weeks-1month ago	3
		More than 1 month ago	4
10	Do you always test every suspected malaria case before dispensing anti-malarial?	Yes, all the time	1
		Yes, only sometimes	2
		Never	3

11	What happens when the client tests negative?	Go on and still treat for Malaria.1 Treat for Malaria and other suspected illness(es).....2 Treat for other suspected illness(es).....3 Dispense analgesic/antipyretic..... 4 Refer to other facilities...5 Do not treat at all..... 6 Other (specify).....	
12	Has your facility run out of malaria tests in the last three months?	Yes No	1 2
SECTION C: Types of malaria diagnostic tests available in formal private drug retail sector			
13	What are the tests available in this facility to test cases of fever?	Rapid diagnostic tests (RDT) Microscopy None Other (specify).....	1 2 3 4
14	What are the types of RDTs available here?	HRP2 Antigen Test Kit pLDH Antigen Test Kit HRP2/pLDH Combined Test Kit Other (specify)..... N/A	1 2 3 4

15.	What are the brands of RDT available here?	<i>Alere</i> Malaria Ag P.f Bioline SD First response malaria Paracheck ICT diagnostics Other (specify)..... N/A	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Section D: Level of training of personnel providing malaria diagnostic services in the formal private drug retail sector			
16.	Have you ever been trained on malaria diagnostic methods?	Yes No	1 2
17	When was the last time you were trained?	1-3 years 4-5 years Above 5 years	1 2 3
18	Who organised the last training you attended?	Pharmacy council OTCMS association Ghana Health Service Other(specify)	1 2 3 4
19	Do you have a certificate indicating that you were trained?	Yes No	1 2
SECTION E: cost of malaria diagnosis in the formal private drug retail sector in the Ho Municipality			

20	Do you sell the RDT to clients or carry out the test in your shop	Sell the RDT only.....1 Clients pay for the test to be done here in the shop only.....2 Sell the test kit as well as carry out the test..... 3
21	How much do you charge to carry out a malaria test (In Ghana cedis)?	

We have come to the end of the interview. We want to thank you very much for your time andfor your responses to these questions.