

Collecting Data on Survivors with Disabilities Script

1. [on screen words and narration] During the case action planning stage...
2. [CASE WORKER] You said you were born in the rainy season in after the conflict ended, so you're about twenty years old, is that right?
3. [SURVIVOR] Yes, that's right.
4. [CASE WORKER] Can I continue with a few more demographic questions? While we're working together to access some additional resources, something that would be good to know is if you have any difficulties doing certain activities, so I can make sure to support you.
5. [SURVIVOR] Ok, go ahead.
6. [CASE WORKER] Do you have difficulty walking or climbing steps? Would you say: No, no difficulty, Yes, some difficulty, Yes, a lot of difficulty, or Cannot do it at all
7. [SURVIVOR] No difficulty
8. [CASE WORKER] Do you have difficulty hearing? Would you say: No, no difficulty, Yes, some difficulty, Yes, a lot of difficulty, or Cannot do it at all
9. [SURVIVOR] None, no problems
10. [CASE WORKER] Do you have difficulty seeing? Would you say: No, no difficulty, Yes, some difficulty, Yes, a lot of difficulty, or Cannot do it at all
11. [SURVIVOR] No, nothing there.
12. [CASE WORKER] In your daily activities, do you have difficulty concentrating? Would you say: No, no difficulty, Yes, some difficulty, Yes, a lot of difficulty, or Cannot do it at all
13. [SURVIVOR] No.
14. [CASE WORKER] Do you have difficulty (with self-care such as) washing all over or dressing? Would you say: No, no difficulty, Yes, some difficulty, Yes, a lot of difficulty, or Cannot do it at all
15. [SURVIVOR] Yes, I have quite a lot of difficulty with dressing.



16. [CASE WORKER] Thank you for sharing. One more question- using your usual language, do you have difficulty communicating, (for example understanding or being understood by others)? Would you say: No, no difficulty, Yes, some difficulty, Yes, a lot of difficulty, or Cannot do it at all

17. [SURVIVOR] No difficulty there.

18. [On screen words and narration] Let's pause here to talk more about what you've just heard.

19. [Narrator] In this scenario, you've just heard the case worker ask a survivor the Washington Group Questions. These questions are designed to identify people with a disability. As you heard, the questions are focused on function over classifying impairment or directly asking "do you have a disability", which often leads to negative answers due to stigma. People who answer yes ("a lot of difficulty" or "cannot do at all") to one or more questions are considered persons with disabilities and are at greater risk of participation or access restrictions due to the interaction between these functional difficulties and barriers in the environment. The questions ask whether people have difficulty performing basic universal activities (walking, seeing, hearing, cognition, self-care and communication). Due to the complexity of disability, the questions were not designed to measure all aspects of difficulty in functioning that people may experience, but rather those domains of functioning that are likely to identify a majority of people at risk of participation restrictions.

20. These questions can be integrated in settings where you are collecting other basic demographic information like sex or age. Collecting this information will support you and your program to know how many women and girls and men and boys access your services, and who of those are persons with disabilities.

21. In terms of analysis and use as part of the case management process, there are a variety of actions that can be taken as a result. It is important to consider that survivors with disabilities are persons first, and as with any survivor, there are many ways to provide support through case management. In this case, as an example, the case worker will find out additional information about ways to ensure that the survivor can access GBV services.

22. [CASE WORKER] Okay, thank you for sharing that with me. You mentioned that you have a lot of difficulties dressing. How do you manage it? Do you require any type of support to perform this or any other activities?

23. [SURVIVOR] When I need help it means I often have to explain why I'm getting dressed to go out and where I'm going, so it can make it difficult to participate in some activities, sometimes.

24. [CASE WORKER] In that case, if you want to participate in the information sessions we discussed on women's empowerment, do you have a plan for how you can participate?

[SURVIVOR] Since now I know the schedule in advance, I can plan to ask my sister to help me on those days. She will help me without question.

25. [CASE WORKER] Okay, that's great to hear, and good to hear you have a plan for that.