# PACIFIC HEALTH FUND GRANT PROJECT REPORT

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#### **BRIEF OVERVIEW**

This project was an eye opening for me and my colleagues. We have been serving in the GBV space for almost 20 years and have not updated our knowledge and skills lately. Therefore, we are very privileged to be part of this project and in so much gratitude to the Pacific Health Fund for the tremendous assistance to access the online zoom sessions. We see ourselves fortunate and blessed as we deliver quality care to our patient.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT**

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- To up-skill health care workers capacity and competencies in clinical and psychosocial care and management of sexual and gender based violence through Veilomani training online zoom sessions from 31<sup>st</sup> August to 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023.
- 2. To raise public awareness on prevention of sexual and gender-based violence and the negative health consequences and advocate for timely access to essential services using all available IEC mediums acquired through Veilomani training.
- 3. To strengthen regular on-site mentoring and supervision visit from Morobe PHA FSC team to health facilities to ensure quality and timely care and services are provided to the catchment population of sexual gender-based violence with the integrate knowledge of Veilomani online course for responding to gender based violence.

#### MOROBE PROVINCIAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

The ANGAU Memorial Provincial Hospital Family Support Centre (FSC) is the only service provider in the province which provides first-line medical emergency care for survivors of SGBV including, psycho-social care, and trauma counselling. There is an urgent need to scale -up and integrate the FSC essential services to 10 selected district health facilities to reach the unreached rural population through strengthening capacity -building and upskilling of health workers with clinical attachment and strengthening reporting, urgent referrals and promote public awareness to advocate prevention of Sexual Gender Based Violence. The project of Veilomani Training for responding to gender-based violence commenced in August 2022 and completed on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 for the staff at FSC. The family Support Centre staff are equipped and confidence to mentor and supervise other health workers

from other health facilities to train and impart the knowledge and skills they have been taught through Veilomani course.

Family Support Centre staff had attended most of the zoom session from August 2022 to December 2022. There are total of 11 staff of 3 Mental Health Nurses, 4 General Nurses, 1 Data entry Clerk, 2 Social Worker and 1 Hygiene Officer. The Veilomani zoom sessions on Wednesdays were accommodate well into our schedule at Family Support Centre because the day was allocated for follow up and review cases with our patients and clients. We attended to our cases in the first part of the morning before the zoom sessions and for the afternoon appointments were attended after the zoom sessions.

It has been our practise that we discussed the topic after the zoom session when we go off line as we discover some new things during the presentations. We had expounded on the knowledge and skills we learn through this training and feel confident and competent in the GBV space as we interact with our network partners and stalk holders to provide the services to our patients and clients. I have shared the links with our other sisters FSC throughout the other hospitals in the country but I am sad to say that I did not see any of them during the past 4 months of the zoom session. I can truly say that they have missed out on the most important training which was given free on the golden plate. My colleagues have been motivated as proven with their attendance and the set up in their clinical rooms. The training was a bonus because my colleagues were able to go online on their own and monitor their dash board. I organized a mini set up graduation in our training room and 4 of our guests were invited; Staff and development Training Coordinator - Nursing Division Sr. Bing Titus and her Assistance- Sr. Audabui, Clinical Governance Director — Dr. Menda and Officer in Charge for Social Work- Mr. Wonding. We had light refreshment and a vanilla flavoured Veilomani graduation cake at the expenses of the participants.

#### **REFLECTIONS**

The guests had congratulated us for the achievement of our objectives and the motivations and the passion we had to provide the quality services with the new skills and knowledge we received through the Veilomani Training. They expressed the commitment we had and the computer literature we developed during this online training which they said that it was

difficult with the other hospital staff as they needed supervision most of the time with online training.

My other colleagues mention their appreciation and gratitude for been part of the Family Support Centre team and are privileged to participate in the Veilomani Training and hope that we will have another zoom session of health response to gender based violence in 2023.

#### **APPENDIX**

## Discussion after the zoom presentation



**Awareness and Prevention Program on Child Abuse LAPS** 



**Reflective week and Graduation** 



#### **VEILOMANI GRADUATION CLASS WITH OUR GUEST**



**Sitting front row:** Cathy Wanwanji, Rayleen Uvia, Maryanne Ajakali, Anna Aso. **Standing from right:** Sarah Kasa, Anastasia Wakon, Wenong Pansawa. **Guest:** Clinical Governance -Dr. Menda, Officer in Charge Social Work- Mr. Wonding, Staff & Development Training Coordinator- Nursing Division – Bing Titus. **Missing in the pic.** Faye Dora Ikasa, Serah Busem, Anna Masa.

### **ENDED THE VEILOMANI TRAINING WITH A VANILLA FLAVOUR CAKE**

