

PLEASE RECORD RESPONSES VERBATIM

Namaskar,

My name is -----, The Nationwide study called "Assessment of Injection Practices in India" carried out by IndiaCLEN Program Evaluation Network has shown that a very large number of injections are given in India every year. 2/3rd of these injections given were found unsafe. Most of the injections given were found to have been unnecessarily prescribed. "Model Injection Corners" is an IPEN initiative as a follow up of the AIFI study to improve injection safety in the country. This **information will be used by health planners and managers** to design and implement **programs to improve injection safety. Your organization/association** is an important stakeholder in this study and therefore we would appreciate if you could spare some of your valuable time to answer my questions. Your responses will be treated as confidential.

1. How long have you been working in this organization?
2. What is your position in the organization?
3. What are the major activities of your organization?

(Start the interview for Leaders from here)

4. What are the **activities** carried out in the **health programs** that you / your organization is involved in?

Health Programs	Activities

5. Who all are providing **treatment** to the sick people in your **area**?
6. What are the **differences** in their treatment?
7. What are the **factors** that **influence** people's **preference** to take treatment from a particular health care provider?
8. Could you please describe different **types** of **syringes and needles** you know about?
9. Which ones do you think are **better** and **why**?

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10. Generally, who **prescribe / give injections**?

Place	Who Prescribe	Who give injections
a. At Government health facility		
b. At private health facility		
c. At other places (including home, chemist shops, camps)		

11. What are the **differences in** the **injections** given by different injection givers?

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12. In your opinion, what **precautions** should be observed while using the syringes and needles?

a. Before giving injections
b. While giving injections
c. After giving injections

13. Some people develop **complications** after injection. Why do they occur?

14. What **diseases** can be **spread** due to unsafe injection practices?

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15. What are the **difficulties** in adopting **safe injection practices** by the injection givers?
16. Do people in your area take their **own syringes and needles** when they go to a doctor / health provider? If yes, what are the **reasons** for their doing so?
17. What do the health care providers do in your area with the **used syringes and needles**?

<p>a. Government PHC / Sub center Immunization Clinic (Outreach clinics)</p>
<p>b. Private clinics / hospitals</p>
<p>c. Home</p>

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18. In your opinion what are the **risks** associated with **used syringes and needles**?

a. To waste handlers
b. To community

19. In your opinion, **how** do **injections act** in the body?

20. In your opinion, for which **illnesses / diseases injections** are more **effective**? (**Probe**: Severity and Stage of illness)

a. For children
b. For women
c. For Men

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21. People **prefer** to take **injection** in spite of the **pain**, what are the **reasons** for their preference?

22. Sometimes **injections** are given even when these are **unnecessary**. What are the **reasons** for this?

23. What are the **beliefs / rumors / customs / rituals** in the community regarding injection?

a. Curative

b. Immunization

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24. What is the **role** played by you / your organization to encourage **safe injection practices** in the community?

25. How do you **co-ordinate your activities** with Doctors / Injection givers / waste handlers to ensure safe injections?

Co-ordination with		
Prescribers	Injection givers	Waste handlers

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26. In your opinion, how is the **community made aware** about the following?

a. Rationality of injections
b. Issues regarding safety of injections <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sterilization- Giving injection
c. Complications of injections
d. Disposal of used syringes and needles

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27. What is the **influence** of the following **on** the current **injection practices** in the community / area? (Spontaneous answers to be recorded there after probing to be done)

a. Doctors
b. Injection givers
c. Family member / Elders
d. Neighbors / Friends
e. Teachers
f. Leaders
g. NGOs / CBOs
h. Chemist

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28. What **awareness** programs were conducted **in your area** to ensure safe injection practices and what issues were discussed?
29. In your opinion, how can **community** be made **more aware** and their **participation increased** to promote rational injection practices and safe injections?
30. In your opinion, how can **prescribers / injection givers** be **influenced** regarding their injection practices?
31. There is a lot of talk about increasing number of **HIV / AIDS** and **Jaundice cases** in the community. What **impact** it had on general injection practices?

THANK YOU

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