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INSTRUMENT TITLE: General AIDS Knowledge Index

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RESPONSE OPTIONS: YES or NO; DON'T KNOW also an option for questions 3, 4b, 5, 6, and 7

SURVEY ITEMS:

- 1. Have you heard of an illness called AIDS?
- 2. If, yes what do you think are the causes of AIDS?
 - a. Blood transfusion?
 - b. Witchcraft?
 - c. Mother-to-child transmission?
 - d. Punishment from God?
 - e. Touching/greeting a person with AIDS?
 - f. Sexual contact?
 - g. Sharing food with a person with AIDS?
- 3. Is there anything a person can do to avoid getting the virus that causes AIDS?
- 4. How can people reduce their chances of getting the virus that causes AIDS?
 - a. Having just one sex partner who has no other partner?
 - b. Always using a condom?
 - c. Not having sex at all?
- 5. Can people get the AIDS virus from mosquito or other insect bites?
- 6. Can people get the AIDS virus from sharing utensils?

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- 7. Is it possible for a healthy looking person to have the AIDS virus?
- 8. What do you think the treatment of AIDS is?
 - a. No treatment?
 - b. Medication?
 - c. Bleeding?
 - d. Chasing the person away?
 - e. Herbalist?
 - f. Witchcraft?

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