Workshop Objective

The overall objective of the workshop is to educate local community on prevention of FGM and create awareness.

Workshop Goals

- Address the effects of FGM and create prevention awareness
- Promote community knowledge on eradicate FGM in community areas
- Involve community members, local elders and women group in awareness activities

Specific Objective

- Create awareness
Background

The FM workshop was significantly important to the local communities who were affected by the practice of FGM. The workshop address the major issues surrounding the practice and how the how local communities can prevent the spread of FGM.

Female genital mutilation is a traditional practice which is common Somalia. This practice has been existing for many years and major of the communities who are practice do not realize the harm. The major issue that most of the girls who have one through the FGM practice continue to experience side effective and and health related issues.

Traditionally, this practice has been existing for many years especially in nomadic population where communities do not have access to basic health care, medicine and educational facilities. This FGM prevention and community awareness workshop specifically address the general conditions under which the girls and women experience FGM related problems.

FGM Practice and Health Conditions

The continues practice of FGM in Somalia affected the community in many way which include major health matters and spread of disease

- The practice of FGM creates risk conditions to local communities
- Women and girls who have gone through practice continue to experience pain during delivery and period time
- Traditional practitioners use local made tools to practice it

Prevention and Community Awareness

I. Educated community members on best way to address to address effects of FGM and health related conditions
II. Involved community representative to influence communities in joint awareness program
III. Created continues awareness session for women and girls experiencing the threat of the practice

Outcome 1.

- Enhanced community knowledge
- Addressed FGM conditions
## Workshop Timetable

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<th>Date</th>
<th>Session 1 (8.30am – 10.00am)</th>
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<td>10th Jan 2018</td>
<td>Participant Introduction</td>
<td>Dangers/hazards related to the practice</td>
<td>Plenary Discussions: Effects of FGM practice in the community( Case studies)</td>
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<td>FGM practice overview</td>
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<td>History of the cultural practice and how it is performed.</td>
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<td>11th Oct 2017</td>
<td>Gender Based Violence and Child protection issues in the community</td>
<td>FGM from a religious perspective</td>
<td>International Legal frameworks on human rights, Declarations, Conventions and code conduct</td>
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<td>Group work( common GBVs and socio cultural influence in the community)</td>
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<td>11-13 Oct 2017</td>
<td>Advocating &amp; communicating for change in the community</td>
<td>Discussion forum; Role of community groups in social change</td>
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### Workshop Facilitation Process

- Presenting workshop
- Underlining key players
- Organizing community participation
- Modules preparation

### WORKSHOP MATERIALS

- Banners for awareness
- Reading materials

**Participants List**

There were 10 woman participants their names have been excluded for privacy issues.

### Role of the Participants

- Spread the message of FGM prevention in community areas
- Promote prevention
- Participate in join awareness program
- Act as community representative in rural area
The workshop was implemented in Somalia specifically in rural community where female genital mutilation cases were on the rise. Most of the participants in the workshop shared challenging stories during face to face focus group discussions.

Focus Group Discussion
During the focus group discussion, the participants were engaged in face to face discussions on FGM eradication topics in which participants discussed the possible ways dealing with FGM. In addition, the participants demonstrated high level of willingness to participate in awareness sessions and share the workshop outcomes with rural community who are widely affected by FGM. One of the community member highlighted the importance of women part

Case Studies
The rises in FGM cases affected underage girl who were circumcised through traditional practice, the process which most traditional practitioners usually attend.

1. Female #1
Female #1 is a 21 years old woman who was born and raised in rural community. She shared very disturbing experience and the pain she has been through over the last few years. She highlighted that she was circumcised by traditional practitioner who used traditional tools which actually affected her internal genital.

2. Female #2 who is an FGM victim had gone through circumcision when she was 4 years old. She has highlighted that she felt had gone through many years of pain since she was circumcised by traditional practitioner. Since she had knowledge and she was unaware of the difficult situation, her parents suggested the process which finally affected her.

Outcome 2.

The outcome of the workshop highlighted that more needs to be done empower and educate the participants in rural communities who are widely affected by the FGM cases.

1. The participants had the opportunity to share experience and learn about the importance of the eradicating workshop
2. Women and girls who had gone through traditional practice demonstrated commitment to participate in awareness process

Case study 1. The continuous practice of FGM in rural community is creating challenging conditions for uneducated women and girls who do not have access to basic health or medicine to treat them during the pregnancy period.