Integrating violence against women prevention in national midwifery education in Timor-Leste

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35-47% of women in Timor-Leste have experienced intimate partner violence in the past 12 months. Compared to 3-6% in Australia and US.
Research with health providers and women-survivors of violence

Adaptation of WHO's curriculum on caring for women subjected to violence
Methods

a. Participatory adaptation
b. Tetum language resources
c. Evaluated using WHO survey tool
d. Pre- post- and 6 months

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Findings - overall

% of students who answered correctly pre- post- and 6 months following GBV course (Figure 1)
Findings by question domain

Pilot 1: % of students who answered correctly

Pilot 2: % of students who answered correctly

Pre  Post  Followup
Recall of Hahu Relasaun first-line support

% of participants who correctly recalled all 7 steps of 'Huu Relasaun' first line support

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<td>% Recall</td>
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TETUM ADAPTED MEMORY AID

- Ha > Hante sini bo violénsia
- Hu > Husu kon-ba problema
- Re > Reasaun empatiku
- La > Labelo fo sala vitima
- S > Segredo profissional
- Au > Aumenta seguru
- N > Nafatin tau matan
Lessons learned

- Local learning resources
- Policy advocacy
- Lecturer training & mentoring
- Collaborative relationships
- Leadership within institutions
- Flexibility
- Keep going...next steps
Thank you!

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