

Supplementary Table 1: Respondents' knowledge of mpox (N= 251)

Variables - Knowledge of transmission		North (n=73)	South (n=178)	Total (n=251)
General				
Animal-Human transmission	Yes	69 (94.5)	164 (92.1)	233 (92.8)
Monkeypox is caused by an infective organism	Yes	71 (97.3)	171 (96.1)	242 (96.4)
Knowledge of transmission				
Sharing of clothing, towel and bedding with the infected person	True	40 (54.8)	94 (52.8)	134 (53.4)
Sitting in the same vehicle with an infected person	True	25 (34.2)	44 (24.7)	69 (27.5)
Contact with the body fluid of an infected person	True	64 (87.7)	156 (87.6)	220 (87.6)
Contact with an infected animal	True	53 (72.6)	121 (67.9)	174 (69.3)
Sexual intercourse with an infected person	True	30 (41.1)	57 (32.0)	87 (34.6)
Sharing utensils with an infected person	True	26 (35.6)	58 (32.6)	84 (33.5)
Knowledge of signs and symptoms				
Fever	Yes	62 (84.9)	144 (80.9)	206 (82.1)
Headache	Yes	51 (69.9)	112 (62.9)	163 (64.9)
Back pains	Yes	17 (23.3)	48 (26.9)	65 (25.9)
Swollen lymph nodes	Yes	37 (50.7)	115 (64.6)	152 (60.6)
Rashes	Yes	59 (80.8)	121 (67.9)	180 (71.7)
Knowledge of prevention and treatment				
Avoiding consumption of bushmeat	True	52 (71.2)	125 (70.2)	177 (70.5)
Disinfecting object regularly	True	47 (64.4)	134 (75.3)	181 (72.1)
Following the healthcare worker's advice is important if I suspect that I have monkeypox	True	66 (90.4)	172 (96.6)	238 (94.8)
People with monkeypox should avoid scratching their skin	True	34 (46.6)	71 (39.9)	105 (41.8)
People with monkeypox should have enough sleep	True	6 (8.2)	14 (7.9)	20 (7.9)
Monkeypox may resolve spontaneously	True	14 (19.2)	24 (13.5)	38 (15.1)
There is no available drug for monkeypox treatment	True	27 (36.9)	35 (19.7)	62 (24.7)