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Composite model of HIV prevention and of the other sexually transmitted infections in women, based on active community involvement, in a rural area near Gulu, Uganda.

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Location	Gulu, Uganda
Starting date	February 2019
Duration	36 months
Field of intervention	Health, training
Direct recipients	Medical staff at the Health Centre and women of the community
General objective	To reduce sexual behavior at risk of acquiring/transmitting HIV and other STI in women living in the rural area surrounding the clinical center by implementing a composite prevention model based on primary prevention strategies and strategies of education, active involvement and empowerment of the female community.
Specific objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promoting the active involvement (“empowerment”) of women in the management of their sexual and reproductive health. 2. Reduce the risk acquisition behaviour of HIV and other STI in the female population. 3. Reduce the number of new cases of HIV and other ITS infection in the rural reference area.
Expected outcomes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identification of specific critical areas in women in terms of barriers to prevention of HIV transmission/acquisition and other ITS prior to intervention. 2. Increased testing offer among women living in the intervention area during the project development period 3. Reduction of HIV acquisition/transmission risk behaviours and of other TSIs

4. Increased awareness among women of responsible sexuality
5. Reduction in the number of incident cases of HIV and other ITS per period of observation compared to what was reported before the intervention.

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