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INSTRUMENT TITLE: HIV/AIDS- related stigma scale in a developing world context

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RESPONSE OPTIONS: strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree

SURVEY ITEMS:

A. Community perspectives toward HIV/AIDS

- Some people think that those with AIDS are disgusting.
- Some people do not want those with AIDS playing with their children.
- Some people feel uncomfortable being near those with AIDS.
- Some people do not want to talk to others with AIDS.
- Some people keep distance from people with AIDS.
- If a person has AIDS, some community members will behave differently towards that person for the rest of his or her life?
- Some people try not to touch others with AIDS.
- Some people are afraid of those with AIDS.
- Some people think that people with AIDS are unclean.
- Some people prefer not to have those with AIDS living in their communities.
- Some people think that people with AIDS get what they deserve.

B. Patient perspective towards HIV/AIDS

- Some people who have AIDS feel hurt because of how others react to knowing they have AIDS.
- Some people who have AIDS feel alone.
- Some people who have AIDS are afraid that other people in the community will talk about them having AIDS.
- Some people who have AIDS lose friends when they share with them they have AIDS.
- Some people who have AIDS are afraid to tell those outside their family that they have AIDS.

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- Some people who have AIDS worry that others will reveal their secret.
- Some people who have AIDS try very hard to keep the issue of having AIDS a secret.
- Some people who have AIDS keep their distance from others to avoid spreading the AIDS virus.
- Some people who have AIDS feel guilty because their family has the burden of caring for them.
- Some people who have AIDS will choose carefully who they tell about having AIDS.

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