Supplementary table 1: Initial email based survey	

Survey: Anaesthesia providers' training in sub-Saharan Africa

We are inviting you to take part in a research study survey being done by Dr. Fred Bulamba at Busitema University (Mbale, Uganda), Dr. Michael Lipnick at the University of California, San Francisco and Dr. Hilary Edgcombe at King's College London. Participating in this survey is optional.

The survey will help us learn more about different practice models for anesthesia training delivery in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs), focusing on non-physician anaesthesia providers. We are inviting participants who provide or have personal knowledge of anesthesia or surgery care in LMICs, and we have contacted you through word of mouth or national societies.

The survey will take about 15 minutes to complete, you can stop it at any time and the survey results will be anonymous. Please do not include your name or other information that could be used to identify you in the survey responses.

Questions? Please contact Fred Bulamba at fredflybulamba@gmail.com, Michael Lipnick at michael.lipnick@ucsf.edu or Hilary Edgcombe at hilary.edgcombe@nda.ox.ac.uk. If you have questions or concerns about your rights as a research participant, you can call the UCSF Institutional Review Board at 415-476-1814 or any of the institutions named in the participant information sheets (for a link to these, please see your original email invitation to participate).

If you are willing to participate in this study, please continue.

For the purpose of this survey, we use the term "physician anaesthesiologists" to mean a graduate of a medical school who has undergone a period of postgraduate training in a dedicated anaesthesia education program. (This DOES NOT include graduates of medical school who provide anaesthesia but have not graduated from a formal anaesthesia training program).

We use the term "non-physician anaesthesia provider" to collectively describe all non-physician providers with a varied background who have undergone dedicated clinical anaesthesia training. (This DOES NOT include healthcare providers who give anaesthesia but have not graduated from a formal anaesthesia training program).

The survey will ask you about numbers of training programs, locations, prerequisites, number of providers in country and number of graduates from programs. It is OK to approximate your answers, though if you are able to access more exact numbers please do so.

First of all, we would like to know a little about your background and role.

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What is your country of permanent residence?	
(response required)	
Which of the following best describes your primary professional role?	Physician anaesthesiologistNon-physician anaesthesia providerPhysician surgeon
(response required)	Non-physician surgeon Other
Please state your job title/professional role:	

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Please select the country in Africa that you know the best with regard to non-physician anaesthesia training and practice models:	AlgeriaAngolaBenin
training and practice models.	O Botswana
(response required)	Burkina Faso
(response required)	O Burundi
	Cabo Verde
	Cameroon
	Central African Republic
	Chad
	○ Comoros
	Democratic Republic of the Congo
	Republic of the Congo
	Cote d'Ivoire
	O Dijibouti
	© Egypt
	Equatorial Guinea
	Equational Games Eritrea
	C Ethiopia
	Gabon
	○ Gambia
	○ Ghana
	○ Guinea
	○ Guinea-Bissau
	○ Kenya
	Lesotho
	O Liberia
	Libya
	Madagascar
	○ Malawi
	Mali
	Mauritius
	○ Morocco
	Mozambique
	Namibia
	○ Niger
	O Nigeria
	Rwanda
	Sao Tome and Principe
	○ Senegal
	○ Seychelles
	○ Sierra Leone
	○ Somalia
	○ South Africa
	○ South Sudan○ Sudan
	Swaziland
	○ Tanzania
	○ Togo
	○ Tunisia
	○ Uganda
	○ Zambia
	○ Zimbabwe
	Other
	Papua New Guinea
	○ Nepal
	East Timor
	○ Mongolia

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How do you have knowledge of non-physician anaesthesia training and/or practice in [africa_country1]?	 □ I live and work full-time as a healthcare provider in [africa_country1] □ I have visited [africa_country1] to provide care/training or as a researcher □ I have never been to [africa_country1] but have friends/colleagues there □ Other ((Please select all that apply))
Please clarify.	

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This section is about the overall provision of anaesthesia care in [africa_country1], firstly	
considering the role of PHYSICIAN anaesthesiolo	gists:
In [africa_country1], roughly what percentage of the total number of anaesthetics are given by physician anaesthesiologists (including both national and expatriate providers)?	
Please complete this even if you are uncertain of the answer.	
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident
What is your best estimate for the number of physician anaesthesiologists currently working in [africa_country1]?	
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident
Roughly what proportion of the physician anaesthesiologists working in [africa_country1] are expatriate, ie. permanent residents of a different country?	 None are expatriate A few are expatriate (under 25%) Some are expatriate (25-50%) Most are expatriate (50-75%) Almost all are expatriate (>75%) I wish to comment on this
Please comment	
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident



Now considering the role of NON-PHYSICIAN anaesthesia providers:		
In [africa_country1], roughly what percentage of the total number of anaesthetics are given by non-physician anaesthesia providers who have completed a formal anaesthesia training program?		
Please complete this even if you are uncertain of the answer.		
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident	
What is your best estimate for the number of non-physician anaesthesia providers who have completed a formal anaesthesia training program and currently work in [africa_country1]?		
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident	



Accreditation and support for anaesthesia professionals in [africa_country1]:		
Is there a national anaesthesia professional society in [africa_country1]?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I do not know	
Is there a national accrediting or certification body/bodies for anaesthesia training in [africa_country1]?	 Yes No I do not know ((For example, the Ministry of Health, or a General Health Professions Council or similar)) 	
Please enter the name of the accrediting body		

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Considering PHYSICIAN anaesthesiologists' training in [africa_country1]:		
To the best of your knowledge, how many physician anaesthesiologist training programs currently exist in [africa_country1]?		
After training, is there opportunity for CPD (continuing professional development, also known as CME, continuing medical education) for physician anaesthesiologists in [africa_country1]?		
 Yes, and enough to meet the needs Yes, but not enough to meet the needs No, there is none I do not know I wish to comment further on this 		
Please comment		

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Considering NON-PHYSICIAN anaesthesia providers' training in [africa_country1]: To the best of your knowledge, how many non-physician anaesthesia provider training programs currently exist in [africa_country1]?		
Please comment		
In [africa_country1], what is the title of the most common non-physician anaesthesia providers? (For example, 'Anaesthetic Officer', 'Nurse Anaesthetist', 'Anaesthesia tech', etc)		
Do these providers ([africa_np_1]s) undergo a formal training program dedicated to anaesthesia?	YesNoI do not know	



(response required)

The following questions are about [africa_np_1]s	training in Latrica_country1].
What is the name of the certification or degree awarded to these graduates?	 ○ I don't know ○ Certificate ○ Bachelors degree ○ Diploma ○ Masters ○ Other (For example: "Diploma in anaesthesia", "Bachelors," "Masters," or "Certificate" etc)
Please enter the name here.	
How many [africa_np_1] training programs are there in [africa_country1]?	
Please provide the names of the programs and the town in which they are located (For example: Anaesthetic Officer School Kampala, Anaesthetic Officer School Gulu)	
Approximately how many new [africa_np_1]s graduate each year in [africa_country1]? (From all programs combined)	



these questions for the specific program you know the best.	
Which program are you describing? (please give the name and/or location)	
What is the duration of the training program in number of months?	((months))
What are the requirements/qualifications for trainees to be eligible to enroll in this training program? (May select more than one answer)	 ☐ Nursing degree ☐ Nursing diploma ☐ Secondary school ☐ Medical school degree ☐ Other
What are the other requirements/qualifications for trainees to be eligible to enroll in this training program?	
How much of the curriculum is taught by physician anaesthesiologists? Please complete this even if you are uncertain of the answer.	 None Very little Some Most Almost all All I wish to comment further on this
Please comment	
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident
Do foreign/visiting faculty teach in the program?	YesNoI do not know(Including both physician and non-physician faculty teachers)
What foreign organisations, institutions or funding agencies, if any, are formally supporting the program? (Please state 'none' or 'I don't know' if applicable).	

If there is more than one [africa_np_1] training program in [africa_country1], please answer



Please select which sub-specialty areas are taught during the program:	 □ Trauma management □ Obstetric anaesthesia □ Paediatric anaesthesia □ Regional anaesthesia □ Neuroanaesthesia □ Critical care □ Information technology skills □ Teaching skills □ Management skills □ Ethics □ Law □ Other □ I am not sure
Please identify any other subspecialty areas covered in this training program.	
Please select which methods of teaching/learning are used by the program:	□ Lectures in classroom □ In-theatre supervision/instruction □ Simulation scenarios on mannequins □ Skills workshops in a classroom □ Online materials □ Workplace assessments □ Other □ I am not sure
Please identify any other teaching/learning methods used in this	s program.

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For non-physician anaesthesia providers graduating from this program, please select the answer that best describes their training and practice for each of the following tasks:

	Yes, trained to perform independently	Trained to perform, but only with supervision	Not trained to perform	I'm not sure
Patient preoperative assessment	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Checking anaesthesia equipment prior to case	0	0	0	0
Preparing medications	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ
Insertion of venous cannulas	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Administering medications (including narcotics)	\circ	0	0	0
Administering fluids	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Administering blood products	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Use of the surgical safety checklist	\circ	0	0	0
Inducing general anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Performing spinal anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc
Performing epidural anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc
Airway management including intubation and LMA placement	0	0	0	0
Regional anaesthesia (peripheral nerve blocks, other than spinals)	0	0	0	0
Maintaining general anaesthesia with volatiles (ether, halothane, isoflurane, etc)	0	0	0	0
Maintaining anaesthesia with ketamine	0	0	0	0
Insertion of arterial cannulas	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ
Insertion of central venous access (internal jugular, femoral, subclavian)	0	0	0	0
Video laryngoscopy	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Fiberoptic intubation	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Emergence from general anaesthesia including extubation	0	0	0	0
Managing mechanical ventilation	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Teaching anaesthesia trainees in theatre	0	0	0	0
Communicating directly with patients' families	0	0	0	0



Do you have knowledge of another non-physician anaesthesia provider training program in [africa_country1] or elsewhere in Africa?	Yes, in [africa_country1]Yes, in another African countryNo	
What is the title of the providers trained in this program? (For example, 'Anaesthetic Officer', 'Nurse Anaesthetist', 'Anaesthesia tech', etc)		



The following questions are about [africa_np_3]s	training in [arrica_country1].
What is the name of the certification or degree awarded to these graduates?	 ○ I don't know ○ Certificate ○ Bachelors degree ○ Diploma ○ Masters ○ Other (For example: "Diploma in anaesthesia", "Bachelors," "Masters," or "Certificate" etc)
Please enter the name here.	
How many [africa_np_3] training programs are there in [africa_country1]?	
Please provide the names of the programs and the town in which they are located (For example: Anaesthetic Officer School Kampala, Anaesthetic Officer School Gulu)	
Approximately how many new [africa_np_3]s graduate each year in [africa_country1]? (From all programs combined)	



If there is more than one [africa_np_3] training program in [africa_country1], please answer		
these questions for the specific program you know the best.		
Which program are you describing? (please give the name and/or location)		
What is the duration of the training program in number of months?	((months))	
What are the requirements/qualifications for trainees to be eligible to enroll in this training program? (Select all that apply)	 Nursing degree Nursing diploma Secondary school Medical school degree Other 	
What are the other requirements/qualifications for trainees to be eligible to enroll in this training program?		
How much of the curriculum is taught by physician anaesthesiologists? Please complete this even if you are uncertain of the answer.	 None Very little Some Most Almost all All I wish to comment further on this 	
Please comment		
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident	
Do foreign/visiting faculty teach in the program?	YesNoI do not know(Including both physician and non-physician faculty teachers)	
What foreign organisations, institutions or funding agencies, if any, are formally supporting the program?		
(Please state 'none' or 'I don't know' if applicable).		

Please select any sub-specialty areas that are taught during the program:	 □ Trauma management □ Obstetric anaesthesia □ Paediatric anaesthesia □ Regional anaesthesia □ Neuroanaesthesia □ Critical care □ Information technology skills □ Teaching skills □ Management skills □ Ethics □ Law □ Other □ I am not sure
Please identify any other subspecialty areas covered in this training program.	
Please select which methods of teaching/learning are used by the program:	□ Lectures in classroom □ In-theatre supervision/instruction □ Simulation scenarios on mannequins □ Skills workshops in a classroom □ Online materials □ Workplace assessments □ Other □ I am not sure
Please identify any other teaching/learning methods used in this	s program.

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	Yes, trained to perform independently	Trained to perform, but only with supervision	Not trained to perform	I'm not sure
Patient preoperative assessment	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Checking anaesthesia equipment prior to case	0	0	0	0
Preparing medications	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ
Insertion of venous cannulas	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Administering medications (including narcotics)	\circ	0	0	0
Administering fluids	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Administering blood products	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Use of the surgical safety checklist	\circ	0	0	0
Inducing general anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Performing spinal anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc
Performing epidural anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc
Airway management including intubation and LMA placement	0	0	0	0
Regional anaesthesia (peripheral nerve blocks, other than spinals)	0	0	0	0
Maintaining general anaesthesia with volatiles (ether, halothane, isoflurane, etc)	0	0	0	0
Maintaining anaesthesia with ketamine	0	0	0	0
Insertion of arterial cannulas	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ
Insertion of central venous access (internal jugular, femoral, subclavian)	0	0	0	0
Video laryngoscopy	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Fiberoptic intubation	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Emergence from general anaesthesia including extubation	0	0	0	0
Managing mechanical ventilation	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Teaching anaesthesia trainees in theatre	0	0	0	0
Communicating directly with patients' families	0	0	0	0



n which country is this program?	Algeria Angola Benin Botswana Burkina Faso Burundi Cabo Verde Cameroon Central African Republic Chad Comoros Democratic Republic of the Congo Republic of the Congo Cote d'Ivoire Dijibouti Egypt Equatorial Guinea Eritrea Ethiopia Gabon Gambia Ghana Guinea Guinea-Bissau Kenya Lesotho Liberia Libya Madagascar Malawi Mali Mauritius Morocco Mozambique Namibia Niger Nigeria Rwanda Sao Tome and Principe Senegal Seychelles Sierra Leone Somalia South Africa South Sudan Sudan Swaziland Tanzania Togo Tunisia Uganda Zambia Zimbabwe Other

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How do you have knowledge of non-physician anaesthesia provider training and/or practice in [africa_country2]?	 □ I live and work full-time as a healthcare provider in [africa_country2] □ I have visited [africa_country2] to provide care/training or as a researcher □ I have never been to [africa_country2] but have friends/colleagues there □ Other ((Please select all that appply))
Please clarify.	

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[africa_country2], firstly considering the role of PHYSICIAN anaesthesiologists:			
In [africa_country2], roughly what percentage of the total number of anaesthetics are given by physician anaesthesiologists (including both national and expatriate providers)?			
Please complete this even if you are uncertain of the answer.			
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident		
What is your best estimate for the number of physician anaesthesiologists currently working in [africa_country2]?			
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident		
Roughly what proportion of the physician anaesthesiologists working in [africa_country2] are expatriate, ie. permanent residents of a different country?	 None are expatriate A few are expatriate (under 25%) Some are expatriate (25-50%) Most are expatriate (50-75%) Almost all are expatriate (>75%) I wish to comment on this 		
Please comment			
How confident are you in this answer?	 Not at all confident Fairly confident Very confident 		



Now considering the role of NON-PHYSICIAN anaesthesia providers:		
In [africa_country2], roughly what percentage of the total number of anaesthetics are given by non-physician anaesthesia providers who have completed a formal anaesthesia training program?		
Please complete this even if you are uncertain of the answer.		
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident	
What is your best estimate for the number of non-physician anaesthesia providers who have completed a formal anaesthesia training program and currently work in [africa_country2]?		
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident	



Accreditation and support for anaesthesia profes	ssionals in [africa_country_2]:
Is there a national anaesthesia professional society in [africa_country2]?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I do not know
Is there a national accrediting or certification body/bodies fo ((For example, the Ministry of Health, or a General Health Pr	
YesNoI do not know	
Please enter the name of the accrediting body	



Considering PHYSICIAN anaesthesiologists' training in [africa_country2]:		
To the best of your knowledge, how many physician anaesthesiologist training programs currently exist in [africa_country2]?		
After training, is there any opportunity for CPD (continuing professional development, also known as CME, continuing medical education) for physician anaesthesiologists in [africa_country2]?		
 Yes, and enough to meet the needs Yes, but not enough to meet the needs No, there is none I do not know I wish to comment further on this 		
Please comment		

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Considering NON-PHYSICIAN anaesthesia providers' training in [africa_country2]:

To the best of your knowledge, how many non-physician anaesthesia provider training programs currently exist in [africa_country2]?		
After training, is there any opportunity for CPD (continuing pr medical education) for non-physician anaesthesia providers in		
 Yes, and enough to meet the needs Yes, but not enough to meet the needs No, there is none I do not know I wish to comment further on this 		
Please comment		
In [africa_country2], what is the title of the most common non-physician anaesthesia provider? (For example, 'Anaesthetic Officer', 'Nurse Anaesthetist', 'Anaesthesia tech', etc)		
Do these providers ([africa_np_2]s) undergo a formal training program dedicated to anaesthesia? (response required)	YesNoI do not know	



The following questions are about [africa_np_2]s	training in [atrica_country2].
What is the name of the certification or degree awarded to these graduates?	 ○ I don't know ○ Certificate ○ Bachelors degree ○ Diploma ○ Masters ○ Other (For example: "Diploma in anaesthesia", "Bachelors," "Masters," or "Certificate" etc)
Please enter the name here.	
How many [africa_np_2] training programs are there in [africa_country2]?	
Please provide the names of the programs and the town in which they are located (For example: Anaesthetic Officer School Kampala, Anaesthetic Officer School Gulu)	
Approximately how many new [africa_np_2]s graduate each year in [africa_country2]? (From all programs combined)	



If there is more than one [africa_np_2] training program in [africa_country2], please answer				
these questions for the specific program you know	these questions for the specific program you know the best.			
Which program are you describing? (please give the name and/or location)				
What is the duration of the training program in number of months?	((months))			
What are the requirements/qualifications for trainees to be eligible to enroll in this training program?	 Nursing degree Nursing diploma Secondary school Medical school degree Other 			
What are the other requirements/qualifications for trainees to be eligible to enroll in this training program?				
How much of the curriculum is taught by physician anaesthesiologists? Please complete this even if you are uncertain of the answer.	□ None □ Very little □ Some □ Most □ Almost all □ All □ I wish to comment further on this			
Please comment				
How confident are you in this answer?	Not at all confidentFairly confidentVery confident			
Do foreign/visiting faculty teach in the program?	YesNoI do not know(Including both physician and non-physician faculty teachers)			
What foreign organisations, institutions or funding agencies, if any, are formally supporting the program? (Please state 'none' or 'I don't know' if applicable).				

Please select any sub-specialty areas that are taught during the program:	☐ Trauma management ☐ Obstetric anaesthesia ☐ Paediatric anaesthesia ☐ Cardiac anaesthesia ☐ Regional anaesthesia ☐ Neuroanaesthesia ☐ Critical care ☐ Information technology skills ☐ Teaching skills ☐ Management skills ☐ Ethics ☐ Law ☐ Other ☐ I am not sure
Please identify any other subspecialty areas covered in this training program.	
Please select which methods of teaching/learning are used by the program:	☐ Lectures in classroom ☐ In-theatre supervision/instruction ☐ Simulation scenarios on mannequins ☐ Skills workshops in a classroom ☐ Online materials ☐ Workplace assessments ☐ Other ☐ I am not sure
Please identify any other teaching/learning methods used in the	nis program.

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"For non-physician anaesthesia providers graduating from this program, please select the answer that best describes their training and practice for each of the following tasks:"

	Yes, trained to perform independently	Trained to perform, but only with supervision	Not trained to perform	I'm not sure
Patient preoperative assessment	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
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Administering medications (including narcotics)	\circ	0	0	0
Administering fluids	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Administering blood products	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Use of the surgical safety checklist	0	0	0	0
Inducing general anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Performing spinal anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc
Performing epidural anaesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc
Airway management including intubation and LMA placement	0	0	0	0
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Insertion of arterial cannulas	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Insertion of central venous access (internal jugular, femoral, subclavian)	0	0	0	0
Video laryngoscopy	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Fiberoptic intubation	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Emergence from general anaesthesia including extubation	0	0	0	0
Managing mechanical ventilation	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Teaching anaesthesia trainees in theatre	0	0	0	0
Communicating directly with patients' families	0	0	0	0



Thank you very much for completing this survey. If you have any additional comments to make, please enter them here. If you know about further programs in Africa, which were not covered here, and would be willing to complete information for those, please contact the survey organisers. (globalanesthesia@ucsf.edu)



Supplementary table 2: In-person and phone based abridged survey

Anesthesia Provider Training Pathways Survey SSA 2018

This survey form is intended to be completed by study personnel only. Such personnel should call by phone the appropriate contact in the country of interest and ask these questions. The study personnel should record all responses.

The intention of this form is to collect data about each anesthesia training PATHWAY TYPE (defined by duration, prerequisites for entry, and degree awarded upon graduation). Do not repeat this form for each training program of the same 'pathway type.' For example, if country X has 4 nurse anesthesia programs in the country, but only two distinct pathways - 2 that

are 24months and 2 that are 36 months, then you would need to fill out two separate survey forms (not four).

Each survey form allows collection of data for:

one physician specialist pathway, one nurse anesthesia pathway, and one non-nurse/non-physician pathway per country.

For countries with more than one of any of the above pathways, you must complete a new survey for additional pathways. You may do this by re-opening the original link to this survey AFTER you submit the form.

Below are survey instructions for participants:

Participating in this survey is optional.

The survey will help us learn more about different practice models for anesthesia training delivery in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs), focusing on non-physician anaesthesia providers.

The survey will take about 15 minutes to complete, you can stop it at any time and the survey results will not be linked to your name.

If participants have questions, please direct them to: Fred Bulamba at fredflybulamba@gmail.com, Michael Lipnick at michael.lipnick@ucsf.edu or Hilary Edgcombe at hilary.edgcombe@nda.ox.ac.uk. If you have questions or concerns about your rights as a research participant, you can call the UCSF Institutional Review Board at 415-476-1814.

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If you are willing to participate in this study, please continue.	
PROVIDER DEFINITIONS:	
1Physician (specialist) anaesthesiologist - graduate of a medical s	school who has completed a nationally recognized
specialist anaesthesia training program/residency. These program	
2Non-specialist physician anaesthetist - a graduate of a medical sprogram/residency in anaesthesia but has undergone some FORM	MAL anaesthesia training. (For example a general
practitioner who has done a formal training program to provide a provides anesthesia but has not done a formal anesthesia trainin	
3Nurse anaesthetists - a graduate of a nursing school who has als anaesthetist training program. These training programs require a	
2	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
4Non-physician, non-nurse anaesthetists - anaesthesia provider v	
nationally recognized anaesthetist training program. These training entry and thus are non-nurse training programs (even though sorting programs)	
degree).	
What is the phone number for the person providing information for this survey (the in-country contact)?	
What is the email address for the person providing information for this survey (the in-country contact)?	
What is the position or title of the person providing	
information for this survey (the in-country contact)? (e.g. Assistant Professor of Anesthesia)	

Please select the country you are describing:	
	○ Benin
	Botswana
	Burkina Faso
	Burundi
	○ Cabo Verde
	Cameroon
	 Central African Republic
	Chad
	Comoros
	Cote D'Ivoire
	O DRC
	Equatorial Guinea
	Eritrea
	Ethiopia
	◯ Gabon
	O Gambia
	O Ghana
	Ouinea
	Ouinea-Bissau
	Lesotho
	🔾 Liberia
	Madagascar
	◯ Malawi
	Mali
	Mauritania
	Mauritius
	Mozambique
	Namibia
	Niger
	Nigeria
	Rwanda
	Sao Tome and Principe
	Senegal
	 Seychelles
	Sierra Leone
	Somalia
	Somaliland
	South Africa
	South Sudan
	○ Sudan
	Swaziland
	Tanzania
	Uganda
	Zambia
	○ Zimbabwe
	Congo (Brazzaville)
	Egypt
	Tunisia
	○ Morocco
	○ Libya
	○ Algeria

What types of anesthesia provider training pathway exist in this country? Select all that apply.	 □ Program to train physicians as SPECIALIST anesthesiologists □ Program to train physicians as NON-SPECIALISTS in anesthesia
If this country has more than one distinct type for any pathway (e.g two nurse anesthesia programs of different duration), you will complete this survey page for one of them, then open a new survey link to enter information about the other).	 ☐ Program to train NURSES as anesthesia providers ☐ Program to train NON-NURSE, NON-PHYSICIANS as anesthesia providers ☐ There are no anesthesia training programs in this country.
Questions about physician specialist anesthesiologi	sts in this country:
How many physician SPECIALIST anesthesiologists are actively practicing in this country?	
What is the duration of the physician SPECIALIST anesthesia training program in MONTHS (not including medical school)?	
How many of these physician specialist training programs are there in this country?	
Estimate how many physician specialist anesthesiologists graduate from all programs across the country, each year?	
When supervising physician specialist trainees in the operating theatre, how many trainees is the supervisor responsible for on average?	
Questions about NURSE anesthesia program details	
What qualification is awarded by the nurse anesthetist program?	○ License○ Certificate○ Diploma○ Bachelor's degree○ Master's degree○ Other
Describe the qualification awarded for the nurse anesthetist program	
What are the entry requirements for the nurse anesthetist program? (If there are multiple potential pathways/requirements for entry, please select "other" and describe as clearly as you can)	Secondary schoolNursing degreeNursing diplomaOther
List the entry requirements for the nurse anesthetist program	
What is the duration of the nurse anesthetist training program in MONTHS?	
How many of these nurse anesthesia training programs are there in this country?	



Estimate how many nurse anesthe all programs across the country, e				_
When supervising nurse anesthesi operating theatre, how many train supervisor responsible for on average.	ees is the			_
What proportion of lectures for the training program are provided by panesthetists?		○ 0%○ 1-50%○ >50%		
What proportion of clinical supervi anesthesia training is provided by specialist anesthesiologists?		○ 0% ○ 1-50% ○ >50%		
Is the nurse anesthesia training program dependent on visiting/temporary foreign faculty to teach in the program?		YesNoI don't kn	ow	
For each of the following tartraining NURSE anesthesia pare they trained to do?)		-		
are they trumed to do./	Trained to perform independently	Trained to perform with physician supervision (supervisor directly present)	Not trained to perform	I am not sure
Preoperative assessment	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Checking anesthesia equipment	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ
Insertion of venous cannula	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Performing regional blocks	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Performing spinal anesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Inducing anesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Intubation	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Extubation	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Prescribing opioid pain medications	0	0	0	0
Administering blood products	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Obstetric anesthesia	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Pediatric anesthesia	0	0	0	0
Is there a national or regional examust pass before they can practice university/school graduating exam	e? (In addition to	YesNoI don't kn	ow	
Is there a government body or pro that has created national practice nurse anesthesia providers?			ow	

programs in this country	URSE, NON-PHYSICIAN anestnesia training
What qualification is awarded by the non-nurse, non-physician program?	○ License○ Certificate○ Diploma○ Bachelor's degree○ Master's degree○ Other
Describe the qualification awarded by the non-nurse, non-physician program	
What are the entry requirements for the non-nurse, non-physician program? (If there are multiple potential pathways/requirements for entry, please select "other" and describe as clearly as you can)	Secondary schoolNursing degreeNursing diplomaOther
List the entry requirements for this non-nurse, non-physician program	
What is the duration of the non-nurse, non-physician training program in MONTHS?	
How many of these non-nurse, non-physician training programs are there in this country?	
Estimate how many non-nurse, non-physician anesthetists graduate from all programs across the country, each year?	
When supervising non-nurse, non-physician anesthesia trainees in the operating theatre, how many trainees is the supervisor responsible for on average?	
What proportion of lectures are provided by physician anesthetists in the non-nurse, non-physician program?	○ 0%○ 1-50%○ >50%
What proportion of clinical supervision during non-nurse, non-physician anesthesia training is provided by physician specialist anesthetists?	○ 0%○ 1-50%○ >50%
Is the non-nurse, non-physician training program dependent on visiting/temporary foreign faculty to teach in the program?	YesNoI don't know



For each of the following tasks, please select the option that best describes the level of training NON-NURSE, NON-PHYSICIAN anesthesia providers receive (i.e. when they graduate from this program, what are they trained to do?)

	Trained to perform independently	Trained to perform with physician supervision (supervisor directly present)	Not trained to perform	I am not sure	
Preoperative assessment	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	
Checking anesthesia equipment	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	
Insertion of venous cannula	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	
Performing regional blocks	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	
Performing spinal anesthesia	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	
Inducing anesthesia	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	
Intubation	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	
Extubation	\circ	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	
Prescribing opioid pain medications	0	0	0	0	
Administering blood products	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Obstetric anesthesia	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	
Pediatric anesthesia	0	0	0	0	
Is there a national or regional exam that non-nurse, non-physician anesthesia trainees must pass before they can practice? (This does not include a university exam)		YesNoI don't kr	now		
Is there a government body or prothat has created national practice non-nurse, non-physician anesthethis country?	guidelines for	○ Yes ○ No ○ I don't kr	now		
Additional comments					
	Additional comments/notes about anesthesia training in this country by study personnel:				

Supplementary table 3: Anesthesia training pathways in Africa

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Country	Entry Requirementa	Duration (months)	Qualification awarded ^b	NPAP Practice guideline	NPAP Standardized exam
Algeria	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	36	Other	No	Yes
Angola	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	36	Other	No	Yes
Benin	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	24	Master's degree	Yes	No
Botswana	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	12	Other	No	No
Burkina Faso	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	24	Other	No	Yes
Burundi	Medical doctor	60	Phys. Spec		
	No clinical experience	42	Bachelor's degree	No	No
Cameroon	Medical doctor	60	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	24	Other	Yes	Yes
Central African	Nursing	24	Unknown		
Republic				No	No
Congo (Brazzaville)	Nursing	24	Other	No	No
Cote D'Ivoire	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	36	Other	No	No
DRC	Medical doctor	60	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	36	Other		
	Nursing or Other	9	Other	No	No
Egypt	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
Eritrea	Nursing	36	Other		
Ethiopia	Medical doctor	36	Phys. Spec		
	No clinical experience	48	Bachelor's degree		
	Nursing	12	Other		
	Other	24	Master's degree	Yes	No
Gabon	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	36	Master's degree	No	No
Ghana	Medical doctor	36	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing or Other	24	Bachelor's degree	Yes	Yes
Kenya	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	24	Other	1	
	Other	18	Other	Yes	Yes

Liberia	Nursing	24	Other	Yes	Yes
Madagascar	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	No clinical experience	36	Unknown		
	Nursing	24	Master's degree	No	No
Malawi	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing or Other	18	Other		
	Other	36	Bachelor's degree	No	No
Mali	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	24	Unknown	No	No
Mauritania	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	24	Other	No	No
Morocco	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Other	36	Bachelor's degree	No	No
Mozambique	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	24	Bachelor's degree	Yes	Yes
Namibia	Medical doctor	6	Other		
		48	Phys. Spec	No	No
Niger	Nursing	36	Other	No	No
Nigeria	Medical doctor	36	Other		
C		72	Phys. Spec	-	
	Nursing	24	Other	Yes	Yes
Rwanda	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	No clinical experience	36	Other	=	
		48	Bachelor's degree	-	
	Other	18	Bachelor's degree	Yes	Yes
Senegal	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
_	Nursing	24	Other	No	No
Sierra Leone	Nursing	12	Other		
		18	Other	No	No
Somaliland	Nursing or Other	18	Other	No	No
South Africa	Medical doctor	6	Other		
		48	Phys. Spec	Yes	Yes
South Sudan	Nursing	24	Other		
Sudan	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	No clinical experience	48	Bachelor's degree	Yes	Yes
Swaziland	Nursing	24	Bachelor's degree		
Tanzania	Medical doctor	42	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	12	Other	1	
	Other	24	Other	No	No

Togo	Nursing	24	Master's degree	No	No
Tunisia	Medical doctor	60	Phys. Spec		
	No clinical experience	36	Other	Yes	No
Uganda	Medical doctor	36	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing or Other	24	Other		
		48	Bachelor's degree	No	No
Zambia	Medical doctor	48	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing or Other	24	Other	No	No
Zimbabwe	Medical doctor	12	Other		
		36	Phys. Spec		
	Nursing	12	Other		

^aEntry requirement: Other refers to a clinical position other than nursing (e.g. clinical officer, midwife, pharmacist). Nursing or Other indicates there were multiple possible entry requirements for the pathway.

^bPhys spec: Physician specialist, Other qualification: Diploma, license, or certificate

Supplementary table 4: Anesthesia training pathways, by entry requirement

Entry requirement	Qualification awarded	Duration (months)	Country
Medical doctor	Other (Diploma, license,	6	Namibia
	certificate)		South Africa
		12	Zimbabwe
		36	Nigeria
	Physician specialist	36	Ethiopia
			Ghana
			Uganda
			Zimbabwe
		42	Tanzania
		48	Algeria
			Angola
			Benin
			Botswana
			Burkina Faso
			Cote D'Ivoire
			Egypt
			Gabon
			Kenya
			Madagascar
			Malawi
			Mali
			Mauritania
			Morocco
			Mozambique
			Namibia
			Rwanda
			Senegal
			South Africa
			Sudan
			Zambia
		60	Burundi
			Cameroon
			DRC
			Tunisia
		72	Nigeria
No clinical experience	Bachelor's degree	42	Burundi
,	J	48	Ethiopia
			Rwanda
			Sudan
	Other (Diploma, license, certificate)	36	Rwanda
			Tunisia
	Unverified	36	Madagascar
Nursing (Clinical)	Bachelor's degree	24	Mozambique
J (,			Swaziland
	Master's degree	24	Benin
			Madagascar
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			Togo
		36	Gabon
	Other (Diploma, license,	12	Botswana
	certificate)		Ethiopia
			Sierra Leone
			Tanzania
			Zimbabwe
		18	Sierra Leone
		24	Burkina Faso
			Cameroon
			Congo (Brazzaville)
			Kenya
			Liberia
			Mauritania
			Nigeria
			Senegal
			South Sudan
		36	Algeria
			Angola
			Cote D'Ivoire
			DRC
			Eritrea
			Niger
	Unverified	24	Central African Republic
			Mali
Nursing or Other	Bachelor's degree	24	Ghana
		48	Uganda
	Other (Diploma, license,	9	DRC
	certificate)	18	Malawi
			Somaliland
		24	Uganda
			Zambia
Other (Clinical)	Bachelor's degree	18	Rwanda
		36	Malawi
			Morocco
	Master's degree	24	Ethiopia
	Other (Diploma, license,	18	Kenya
	certificate)	24	Tanzania

Entry requirement: Other refers to a clinical position other than nursing (e.g. clinical officer, midwife, pharmacist)