HEALTH EDUCATION MESSAGES ON TRACHOMA

FLIP CHART FOR TRACHOMA COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

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This picture shows

a child with a dirty face
covered with flies

a dirty face attracts
flies while clean
faces do not
attract flies.

keep your face
clean always.

clean face helps
to prevent
trachoma.
These pictures shows a child with active trachoma, washing his face and being applied tetracycline (TCN) eye ointment.

His trachoma was cleared, he is looking happy. TCN can be used to treat other eye infections also.

Keep your face clean always and seek treatment without delay, with your trachoma community volunteer or at the nearest health clinic, if you catch trachoma, or any other eye disease.
This picture shows children washing their faces using water from a leaky tin.

Only a small quantity of water is needed to keep your children’s face clean, by washing them at least two times a day.
THESE PICTURES SHOW:

TOP:
AN EXAMPLE OF PERSONS SHARING A FACE CLOTH

BOTTOM:
MOTHER WASHING FACE CLOTHS IN BETWEEN USAGE.

DO NOT SHARE FACE CLOTHES,
SHARING OF FACE CLOTHES HELPS IN TRANSMITTING TRACHOMA FROM AN INFECTED PERSON TO AN UNINFECTED PERSON.
THIS PICTURE SHOWS TWO GIRLS SHARING ONE EYE PENCIL

DO NOT SHARE EYE PENCILS BECAUSE IT ENCOURAGES THE TRANSMISSION OF TRACHOMA.
THIS PICTURE SHOWS A PERSON WITH ACTIVE TRACHOMA BEING STARRED AT BY AN UNINFECTED PERSON.

STARING AT AN INFECTED PERSON CAN NOT GIVE YOU TRACHOMA, UNLESS DISCHARGE FROM THE EYES OF AN INFECTED PERSON, TOUCHES THE EYE OF AN UNINFECTED PERSON FOR YOU TO CATCH TRACHOMA.

YOU GET TRACHOMA FROM UNCLEAN FACE AND SHARING OF DIRTY CLOTHS.
PICTURES:

TOP - A DIRTY ENVIRONMENT BEING SWEPT

BOTTOM - THE ENVIRONMENT IS NOW LOOKING CLEAN

ALWAYS KEEP YOUR ENVIRONMENT CLEAN TO KEEP AWAY FLIES AND PREVENT TRACHOMA TRANSMISSION.
TOP - THESE PICTURES SHOWS A CHILD DEFECATING IN AN OPEN SPACE
BOTTOM - A CHILD USING A PIT LATRINE WITH TIGHT LID.

KEEP AWAY FLIES FROM BREEDING IN YOUR ENVIRONMENT, THEREBY INCREASING TRANSMISSION OF TRACHOMA'

BY:-

(A) NOT DEFECATING IN THE OPEN SPACE
(B) USING AND KEEPING A CLEAN LATRINE WHICH CAN BE CLOSED AFTER USE.
THESE PICTURES SHOW

(1) TT (TRACHOMATOUS TRICHIASIS)
(2) BANDAGED AFTER OPERATION
(3) NOW FREE FROM TT

GO FOR OUTREACH LID OPERATION, AVOID LOCAL EPILATION IN ORDER TO AVOID BLINDNESS