

Review of: "The Support and Rehabilitation of Refugees – Personal Opinion and Experience"

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Very interesting and valuable article highlighting experiences from the trenches working with refugees and underserved populations in Africa.

Below are a few questions and suggestions to add to the article if the author agrees:

- How can you explain refugees from Sudan in Kenya wanting to go back to Sudan, the country they fled where problems still exist? Do some others refuse to go back and in that case what would they do?
- Very little is written about the mental health status or interventions provided. Can you please add this aspect since it is a very important part of the refugee's health in general and impacts their adaptation to the transition or host country they are in.
- It would be important to focus on the issue of training local professionals and may be who are refugees themselves to provide services. The focus on sustainability in this matter is of primary importance.
- Finally many countries do not have the professionals required to be trained (not enough doctors, nurses, psychologists etc...). Have you thought or practiced "task shifting" where non health professionals are trained in providing lower level health care? or where health professionals are trained to provide care not within the realm of their training or job description (eg: training primary care physicians in basic counseling skills...).