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New Mobile Application Aims to Tackle Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) in Uganda



Ausse Kalega introducing the SGBV application to the medical staff at Fort Portal Regional Referral Hospital

In a groundbreaking move to address the alarming issue of Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) in Uganda, the Makerere University School of Public Health Monitoring and Evaluation Technical Support Program (MakSPH-METS) has developed a revolutionary mobile application. The SGBV mobile application aims

to improve coordination among stakeholders, enhance data utilization, and provide crucial services to survivors of SGBV.

SGBV is a pervasive problem in Uganda, with devastating consequences for survivors and the wider society. The correlation between SGBV, Violence Against Children (VAC), and the transmission

of HIV has brought attention to the urgent need for a comprehensive approach to combat these issues. Recognizing the increased vulnerability, limited negotiation power, and disrupted preventive measures associated with SGBV, the national HIV prevention programs have prioritized responding to and preventing SGBV and VAC.