The Recruitment Process at Emavundleni Research Centre
Recruitments via:

- Community Outreach workers referral
- Self Report – walk in’s
- Word of Mouth via family and friends
Services offered:

- HIV Testing and counseling
- Prescreen:
  - Informed consent
  - Locator information
  - Risk assessment
- Counseling: Pre & Post HIV / Risk Reduction
- Contraception assessment & Counseling
- Rapid testing: HIV & Pregnancy
- Medical History & Exam
- STI Treatment
- Referral when appropriate
Why a Pre-screening protocol?

- Introducing community to research processes
- Providing a medical service to community
- Identifying potential study participants
• Identify people that will not be eligible to participate in research
• Verify locator information
• Opportunity to give information/counseling
• Initiate & follow-up contraception
Discussion groups conducted by Community

- Platform to inform potential participants re studies
- An opportunity to ask questions and voice concerns
- Strengthen and building relationships
Participants interested in studies will be booked for **Consent Discussion Groups (CDG)**
Consent Discussion Groups (CDG)

- Conducted by Counselors
- Study Specific
- More detail of Specific Study
- The specific Consent process and the importance of understanding Consents
We make use of available resources and visual aids eg:

- Models and instruments
- Flip charts
- Fact sheets
- Contents of visit packs
Benefits of these discussions

• Another opportunity to ask questions and voice concerns
• Strengthen relationships
• Identify potential participants with good sense of study content and public speaking who may assist in future discussion groups by sharing experiences
Overall Benefits of our Prescreens, Discussion Groups and Consent Discussion Groups
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- Only participants that appear eligible will be screened
- Reduce study visit time
- Reduce cost and manpower
- Reduce screen:enrolment ratio
- Improve retention