

Annex 1: an example of photovoice interview material used in a cancer advocacy presentation to the National Health Department

ADVOCACY ISSUES:

TREATMENT DELAYS
LACK OF PATIENT CENTEREDNESS
TRANSPORT CHALLENGES

KANGA

63 yrs of age, Rustenberg prostate cancer

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES?



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Kanga is a retired transport supervisor who worked in the mining industry in Rustenburg, Kanga is married with two sons. He was diagnosed with prostate cancer and started treatment nearly a year later. He was supposed to receive daily radiation therapy for three weeks, but when he reported for treatment he was told the machine was out of order and that he should turn around and go back home.

Kganga lives in Rustenburg which is more than 120km away from the hospital. He travels there and back every day with a Department of Health combi, and it is a four-hour return trip each time.

He eventually resumed his radiation treatment a month later. He expressed being very worried by the frequent delays in the referral and treatment processes, and questioned what his chances were given that radiation treatment was frequently interupted.

MESSAGE OF THE PHOTO: "This photo shows the importance of life. I'm so worried.

I know cancer can kill you even if you get treatment."