

## **“What’s happening over there?”: a study of the current state of services, challenges, and prospects in Nigerian medical libraries**

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### **APPENDIX B**

#### **Qualitative instrument**

Interview schedule

Interview date:

Interview time:

Institution:

Interviewee’s gender: Male Female

[Prelude:] seek permission from interviewee to make an audio recording of the interview.

#### **Section A: Demography**

1. How long have you worked as a health sciences librarian?

#### **Section B: Challenges**

1. What are the challenges presently facing health sciences librarianship in the country?

[Probe:] If not mentioned, ask the interviewee if they think the following are part of the challenges:

- a. Lack of standard for the practice of health sciences librarianship
- b. Inexistence of interlibrary cooperation among health sciences libraries
- c. Unavailability of formal training in medical librarianship
- d. Shortage of professional staff in health science libraries

#### **Section C: Prospects**

1. What can you say about the prospects of health sciences librarianship in Nigeria?
2. Would you advise young Nigerian librarians to consider a career in health sciences librarianship?

#### **Section D: Finally**

1. Is there anything you would like to add to the discussion?