Indicative Topic Guide for PROMISE In-Depth Interviews

To understand collective views on psychosis detection and management systems.

Target respondents: Health Surveillance Assistants & Primary Healthcare Providers

a. **Ice breaker**
   1. For how long have you been working at this health facility or as an HSA?
   2. Briefly, what does your day-to-day job involve at this health facility or as an HSA?
b. **Knowledge, understanding, and perspectives**
   1. What are common health problems in your area? (Probe mental illnesses, including psychosis)
   2. What do you know and understand about psychosis? (Probe causes, symptoms, how it is detected, and how it is treated and managed)
   3. How do people in your community perceive and describe psychosis?
   4. How does your understanding and perception of psychosis influence treatment-seeking behaviours in your community?
   5. How does the community's understanding and perception of psychosis influence treatment-seeking behaviours among community members?
c. **Psychosis detection and management systems.**
   1. Are you aware of where community members access services for mental health illnesses? Probe: Who do community members approach when seeking help for mental health illnesses such as psychosis? (Probe: primary health care facilities/secondary health care facilities, HSAs, traditional healers, faith healers)
   2. What structures and services exist in your community to enable you to identify those with mental health illnesses, such as psychosis, to facilitate pathways to care? Probe: Who operates these structures?
   3. What opportunities does the health care system provide for effective detection and management of psychosis?
   4. What challenges does the health care system face, and what can be improved for detecting and managing people with psychosis?
   5. Do you think people in the district know how to access care for mental health conditions like psychosis? If yes, what are the existing structures and services in the district that enable psychosis detection and management that people are aware of? If not, what do you think is the reason why people are unaware of how to access services and structures for mental health?
   6. How can you describe the relationship you have with your primary healthcare facility (For HSAs), District Health Office (For health facility staff)? (Probe for support, supervision, mentorship)
   7. What do you think is your role in addressing mental health illnesses such as psychosis in your community? Do you think it is appropriate for HSAs to be involved in detecting and managing patients with psychosis in your community? Explain. (Probe for challenges they can face).

8. What would be the facilitators and barriers for community members to access psychosis detection services from HSAs?
9. In your opinion, what do you think an ideal psychosis detection and management system would look like?
10. What efforts, policies, and programs can deliberately be put in place to ensure an improved, sustainable, and acceptable psychosis detection and management system?

d. Any additional comments, concerns, or questions?