The Present – using the Toolkit in East and West Africa

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PCW Toolkit Trainings, Africa

- 2008 – Pilot training Muheza, Tanzania
- 2009 – Tearfund course, Mwanza, Tz
- 2011 – Tearfund, Mwanza, Tz
- 2011 – ToT course, Dar es Salam, Tz
- 2012 - Princess Diana Memorial Trust, Shinyanga, Tz
- 2011 – AfrOx/ASCO workshop, Accra, Ghana
- 2012 - AfrOx/ASCO workshop, Accra, Ghana
- 2013 - Children’s PC workshop – Accra, Ghana
- 2013 - AfrOx/ASCO workshop, Accra, Ghana
- 2015 - AfrOx/ASCO workshop, Accra and Kumasi, Ghana

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A taste of the Toolkit

- Spirituality – p20-21 Toolkit
- Key messages
Statements

- I would feel comfortable praying with a patient
- Forgiveness is important before death
- There is always a purpose in suffering
- Spirituality has nothing to do with formal religion
- I would never take a patient to church
- I am afraid of dying
Results

- Fun – but failure (Tearfund course, Mwanza, Tanzania)
Results

Success – shifting perceptions.
Komfo Anokye, Ghana
A Tool for all Settings?

• Community-based training
• District hospitals
• National teaching hospitals
• New PC teams starting from scratch - Shirati, Geita, Shinyanga
• Introducing a range of hospital staff to the concept - Kumasi

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Key principles

- Inclusive and multi-professional
- Obama approach
- TK copies for all (hard copies)
Feedback

• Overwhelmingly positive.....on the day!

• 6 months later.....?

• Where’s the evidence?