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## ABSTRACT

**Title:****The SCOPEO Tool**

Measuring the impact of our interventions: quality of life, safety, and social and family participation

**Abstract text (limited to 300 words, should include background, methods, results and conclusions):**

Measuring the impact of our work with beneficiaries and partners is not an easy process. Collecting data on beneficiaries and how their lives have changed as a result of an intervention is a lengthy and complicated process requiring careful monitoring systems. In trying to respond to this Handicap International has developed ScoPeO, a data collection and analysis tool to help measure outcomes of development initiatives on the quality of life (QOL) of beneficiaries.

Based on field experience and academic knowledge, Handicap International has designed the Score of Perceived Outcomes (ScoPeO). ScoPeO adopts a subjective approach and examines how beneficiaries feel about their life before and after the development interventions. The tool is made up of seven dimensions. Five are scientifically recognized as quality of life related: Physical and Mental Health, Social and Personal Relationships, Subjective Well-being, Basic Needs and material well-being, and two dimensions were added because of their relevance for HI actions: perceived safety and participation in society and family life.

ScoPeO can be used with 18 years-old or older persons, whatever sex and age living with or without impairment or disability, in urban or rural context, and in reconstruction/post-emergency/chronic crisis or development setting.

In 2015, Handicap International used ScoPeO to measure changes in the quality of life for 78 survivors of 'explosive remnants of war' and disabled people in a victim assistance project in the regions of Timbuktu and Gao in Mali. Results showed a raise of ScoPeO before and after interventions for 94% of project beneficiaries, demonstrating that perceived quality of life was improved during the project.

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