

EMIC Codes & Themes (grounded theory approach)

1.	“wawamama”	References to the placenta as the mother of a child
2.	“Come-we-stay”	Relationship quality between the couple as the principal determinant of abortion care seeking
3.	they would kill me, so I told them it was food poisoning...	Fear of disclosure as a reason for delay to abortion care
4.	“The water has spilled and cannot be gathered”	Concept of familial disappointment and unfulfilled gender expectations, Fatalistic discourse and guilt/shame as a reason for delay in abortion care seeking
5.	It gave me “a malaria”	The notion of fever and sweats related to misoprostol use
6.	Her hands were “patient hands”	Perceptions of skill related to the individual provider’s physical attributes not the instruments themselves
7.	“Black feet”	recurring symptom reported – meaning???
8.	“Allah’s Will”	Recurring religious references & Infertility interpreted as a punishment from God
9.	“Funnels”	Abortion brokers -People who divert clients from safe services to unsafe services
10.	“White coated monsters”	Fear of cosmopolitan medicine
11.	Hot and cold foods	Intrinsic thermal properties ascribed to particular foods and drinks irrespective of actual temperature
12.	“the farming solutions”	Agricultural pesticides as abortafacients
13.	Brothers	The role of brothers in controlling sibling care-seeking behaviours
14.	Motorcycles	The prohibitions on transportation that preclude women from timing care seeking during abortions