

**A STUDY TO EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE “SAFECARE” MODEL  
IN TANZANIA**

**STANDARDISED PATIENT SCRIPT  
CASE OF MALARIA**

Patient demographic details:

Opening statement:

*Doctor, I have a fever and I think I have malaria*

Why do you think it's malaria?

*Because I have a fever and a headache*

What are your symptoms?

*I have a fever and headache.*

Which symptom started first?

*They started at the same time*

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How long have you had these symptoms for?

*For three days*

Is the fever constant or does it come and go?

*It comes and goes*

Does the fever go up and down?

*Yes*

When you have a fever is it very high?

*Sometimes high, sometimes low*

Have you been able to eat and drink?

*Yes, I ate a small breakfast and drank some water*

Have you had any vomiting or diarrhoea?

*No.*

Have you taken any medicines?

*Just panadol*

For how long?

*Two days*

Have you taken a malaria test?

*No*

When was the last time you had malaria?

*About one year ago*

Have you travelled recently?

*Yes, I've been to Tanga/Morogoro/Mtwara/Mwanza*

Have you had difficulty breathing?

*No*

Have you had any wheezing?

*No.*

Have you had any muscle or joint pain?

*Yes, my muscles and joints ache*

Do you have chest pain?

*No.*

Do you have a cough?

*Yes, a little coughing*

Have you had a cold, sneezing, sore throat or stuffiness?

*No*

Does the cough produce sputum/mucus?

*No*

Do you have any pain on coughing?

*No*

Have you had any fainting or convulsions?

*No.*

Do you feel dizzy?

*No*

Do you smoke?

*No.*

Do you drink?

*No.*

Are you allergic to any medicines?

*No*

Do you have any other problems?

*No*

When was your last period?

*About two weeks ago*

Are you/could you be pregnant?

*No*

