I. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The Interviewer Observation Form (OBS) is completed by the interviewer after the Home Induction Interview is complete and the interviewer has left the home. The observations provide a context for the interview as well as additional information to assist in planning for the subsequent clinic examination and future annual follow-up calls. The interviewer must be certified and have a working knowledge of the “General Instructions for Completing Paper Forms” prior to completing this form.

II. SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

1. This item reflects the interviewer’s rating of the participant’s overall cooperation with the Home Induction Interview. Circle the response most closely reflecting cooperativeness.

2. Record “Yes” if the respondent was talkative during the interview process. By talkative, did the respondent provide ad lib or explanatory responses for many of the questions. If not, record “No.”

3. Record whether the respondent had difficulty in hearing the questions. Note in the margin if the respondent wore a hearing aid.

4. Record whether the respondent had visual difficulties, was blind or required unusually thick lenses which might affect the clinic examination or ability to complete self-administered forms.

5. Record the presence of any noticeable physical impairments.

6. Record any comments about the observed physical impairments after noting “Yes.” For example: “Respondent requires wheel chair because of bilateral amputations.” If no comments, record NO.

7. This item reflects the interviewer’s estimate of the overall quality of the interview. Quality will include a variety of factors including ease of interview, rapport, completeness, and so forth.

8. If interview judged as “fair” or “poor,” note the reason(s) for this less than optimal quality.

9. Record whether respondent likely to be able to read. If unsure, circle “Don’t Know.”
10. Record presence of any language or word comprehension difficulties during the interview. If yes, specify in the note logs the nature of the difficulty and any action you took to handle them.

11. This item reflects the extent to which the interviewer liked or was satisfied with this interview.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

12. Enter Record date of data collection

13. Enter 3-digit JHS interviewer code of person completing forms.