EPISODE 25: How Friends and Community Can Support FP

1. **MUSIC:** THEME MUSIC AND FADES UNDER THE HOST’S VOICE

2. **YINKA:** (EXCITEDLY) it’s a wonderful day out there isn’t it? And I’m happy to be here with you again on this week’s program which promises to be very exciting as always. My name is still Yinka Owoyemi, the Iyalode of Yoruba airwaves welcoming you to this week’s edition of the program Ireti Eda, a part of the ‘Get it together campaign. I have my co anchor man with me in the studio to trill you all the way…

3. **BOSUN:** (CUTTING IN) Yes good day my wonderful people I’m Bosun Adeleke a.k.a Da Boss also welcoming you to this week’s edition of the program.

4. **YINKA:** At this moment, we are suppose to go right into our drama for today but Bosun, I am scared o

5. **BOSUN:** Scared of what?

6. **YINKA:** Bosun, I don’t know what Iyabo will be up to again o and I don’t think I want to find out

7. **BOSUN:** (CHUCKLES) Yinka, I didn’t know you were such a chicken.

8. **YINKA:** It’s not funny o Bosun. What if she succeeds in killing Abokede or even Bello?

9. **BOSUN:** Well, we will never find out if you don’t cue in drama

10. **CUE IN:** FLUTE AND EWI TO INTRODUCE DRAMA

11. **CUE IN:** EPISODE 25 OF DRAMA FOR 12 MINUTES

12. **YINKA:** (SIGHS DEEPLY) Oga o. so Iyabo is not going to relent abi?

13. **BOSUN:** What more would you expect from her? She has never wanted anything good for Abokede, if she could go to the extent of killing Abokede’s mother.

14. **YINKA:** Ah aiyé ma ni ka o (the world is wicked).

15. **BOSUN:** Yinkus, I’d better play some music because I can see that this Iyabo issue is really getting to you

16. **YINKA:** Yes o. play something. My people don’t go anywhere. The program is still ireti eda and we’ll be right back

17. **MUSIC BREAK:** CUE IN MUSIC
18. **YINKA**: The music you just listened to was that of Saheed Osupa titled “fuji theatre”. I know you have enjoyed it. Bosun has been dancing away since…

19. **BOSUN**: Ah! Osupa is my role model na what do you expect. Have you forgotten I’m an upcoming fuji artiste?

20. **YINKA**: Ah! Forgot ke? Impossible. Well let’s also not forget our people. Thanks for staying with us; the program you’re listening to is Ireti Eda. And we have Aunty Adunni here in the studio already.

21. **FANFARE**: **SOUND OF CLAPS AND CHEERS AS AUNTY ADUNNI COMES INTO STUDIO**

22. **BOSUN**: Good to have you ma

23. **ADUNNI**: Always a pleasure

24. **YINKA**: Aunty, we’ve been doing this program for several weeks and from the volume of text messages I have been receiving, I can see that people are developing a more positive attitude to FP

25. **ADUNNI**: That’s a good thing to know

26. **BOSUN**: And I believe that young couples and singles that are planning to marry, like me, now know how to plan their family

27. **YINKA**: True. Also I believe that by now, parents and in-laws have also learnt how to support family planning.

28. **BOSUN**: Yes o. since my mother has been listening to the program, the talk of ‘plenty grandchildren’ has reduced

29. **YINKA**: (chuckles) That is good o. but there is a particular thing we’ve not talked about

30. **BOSUN**: What is that?

31. **YINKA**: Friends! Community as a whole! I remember that when I first started using family planning, most of my friends were skeptical. Until they started seeing how well it works with me. You can imagine if some of my friends have been able to convince me otherwise.

32. **ADUNNI**: Hm. Yinka, you have raised a very important issue o. and I think you have also indirectly answered your own question

33. **YINKA**: How aunty?

34. **ADUNNI**: The first thing is that people on family planning should tell their friends about it and talk about it – just like Tayo and Abokede did in the drama. Abokede was so supportive of Tayo. Since FP works well for you, you have been able to share with your friends

35. **YINKA**: That’s true

36. **ADUNNI**: Second point you mentioned is about your friends. Though they were not using FP, still they didn’t dissuade you from using. And
now it works so well for you that you are recommending it for others.

37. **YINKA:** Yes that’s also true

38. **ADUNNI:** Good. My point is, friends and community people at large should not discourage anybody who chooses to do FP. They should be positive about it and give as much support as possible

39. **BOSUN:** Yes o aunty. Just like me now. my friends know that if they need any information on family planning now, Da Boss is the person to meet

40. **ADUNNI:** *(CHUCKLES)* That’s good. And that’s how good friends are. Friends can even share information on where FP services can be obtained.

41. **YINKA:** There is a text message here now. it’s from Adebowale Okeogun and it reads, *'I want to know, why would friends/community members support the couple on FP issues’.*

42. **ADUNNI:** You know that in this part of the world, it is a part of our system to be our brother’s keeper. So when friends or community support a young couple in family matters, then the community can feel satisfaction or pride of having helped someone and the couple may also help them back some day

43. **YINKA:** This is another message from Olufunmi it reads;?

44. **BOSUN:** *I’m still a bit confused if friends and community members can really help young couples plan their families, because I for one find it difficult discussing my family matters with outsiders, do I really have to discuss FP issues with them*

45. **ADUNNI:** It is not compulsory for you to discuss it with them. Only if you want to - but sometimes we want to talk to our friends and family about what’s really going on in our lives. That does not mean that you do not visit your health provider, but friends and community members can also be of immense help.

46. **YINKA:** Thank you so much aunty Adunni. It’s always a great time with you in the studio

47. **ADUNNI:** Thank you too. I love being here

48. **YINKA:** We will have aunty back with us next week. And next is our quiz segment. But before we do that, Bosun, play us some music

49. **MUSIC BREAK: CUE IN MUSIC**

50. **BOSUN:** Welcome back, thanks for sharing your time with us. You just listened to the music of Wasiu and he titled that one “Oko faji”.

51. **YINKA:** Yes o, it’s time for our quiz segment. Today’s question is, Who told Bello in today’s drama that he thinks it’s good that Bello and
his future wife are planning to wait to have children after she finishes her education? can send in your answer via SMS to this number ........ If you would like to know where you can access FP services, you can call ...... or go to a chemist shop, pharmacy or drug sellers with a sign that reads ‘Get it together’ and has a blue, yellow and orange puzzle pieces logo. Let me repeat the phone number for the quiz.....

52. BOSUN: Also don’t forget that you can follow us on our facebook link at ‘Get it together Ibadan/ Ilorin page. Also, tell your friends about FP and about this program

53. YINKA: And remember to join us next episode, same time, same station. And from all of us in the studio, bye!