

## Introduction

The VoICE (Value of Integrated Community Engagement) of CONTROL is a programme of interactive community, patient and public involvement & engagement activities to understand, involve, and empower both local Pakistani and Afghan refugee communities residing in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan to improve TB and mental health outcomes.

## VoICE Aim

VoICE of CONTROL aims to ensure that CONTROL's decision making at every step of research process is driven by insights from diverse community groups.

## Spectrum of VoICE



## Amplifying Every Echo

Under the VoICE of CONTROL initiative, mental health awareness session was organized at University of Peshawar.

The session comprised talks by Prof. Saeed Farooq, Dr. Zohaib Khan, quiz for students, and interactive discussion among students and subject expert to explore strategies to address stressors among students.



## VoICE Field Activities



**2022**

**CEI Field Activity  
Pawaka, Peshawar**

M: 40, F: 35

Key stakeholders

Community leader,  
members, TB  
patients, religious  
leaders and  
CONTROL CEI team



**2023**

**CEI Field Activity  
Khalabat, Haripur**

M: 25, F: 25

Key stakeholders

Community  
members, TB  
patients, religious  
leaders and  
CONTROL CEI team



**2023**

**CEI Field Activity  
Khazana Camp**

M: 25, F: 20

Key stakeholders

Afghan Refugees,  
Afghan social  
mobilizers, religious  
leaders and  
CONTROL CEI team



## VoICE Capacity Development

The CONTROL team in collaboration with the Impact Accelerator Unit at Keele University arranged two comprehensive PPIE & CEI online training sessions on April 13 and May 24, 2023, respectively. The aim of these activities was to familiarise the research team with the core concepts of PPIE & CEI and good research practices.



## CONTROL PPIE/CEI Advisory Group Training

CONTROL PPIE/CEI advisory group comprises five members including 2 Afghan national refugees and 3 Pakistani nationals. Special training module for advisory group members was designed by CONTROL UK team and training was delivered on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 by CEI team at Khyber Medical University.

