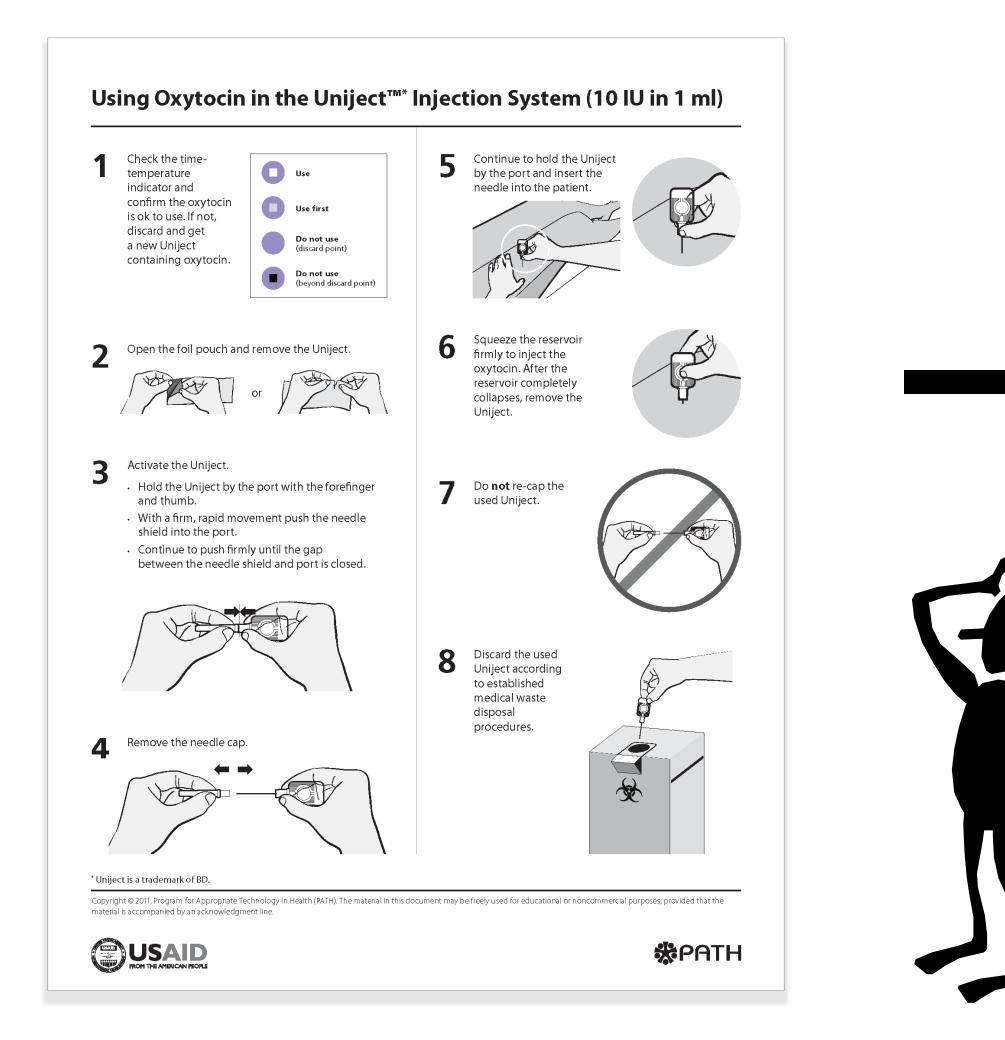
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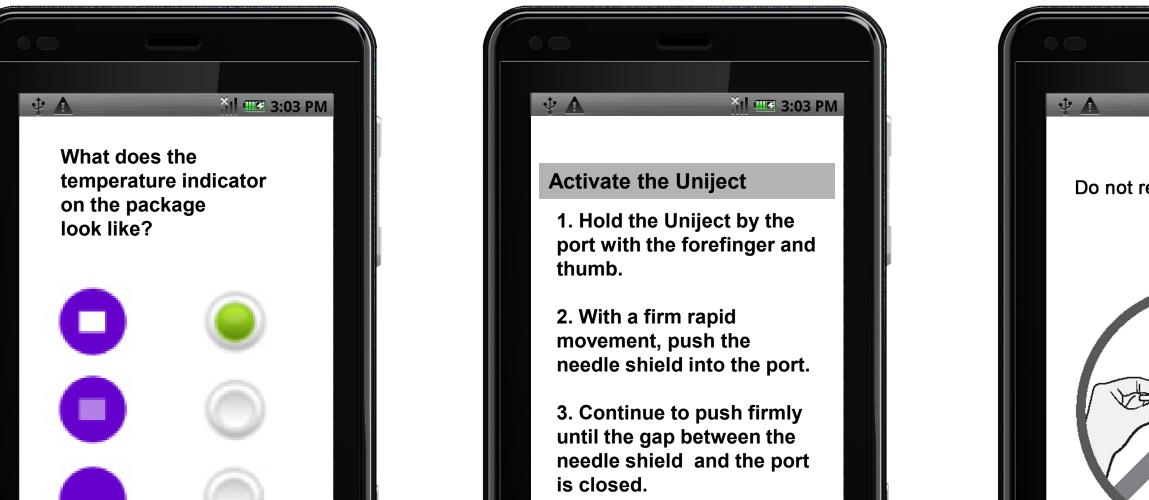
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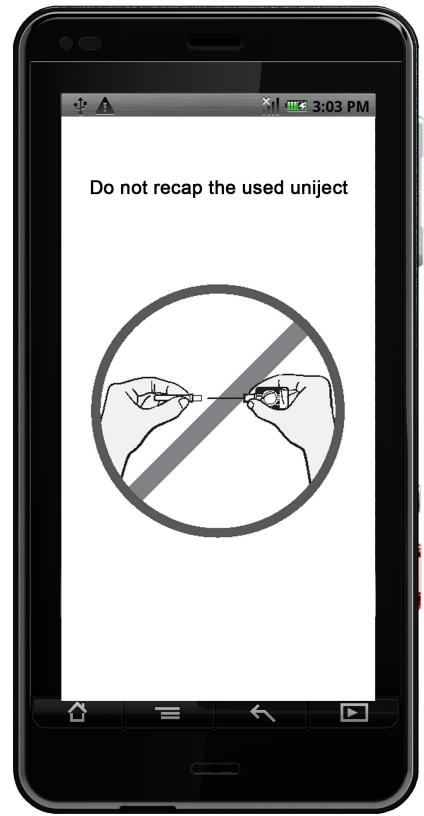
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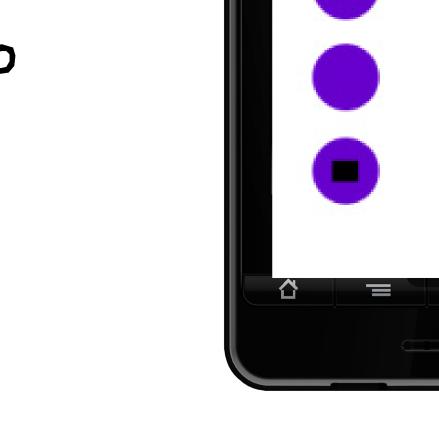


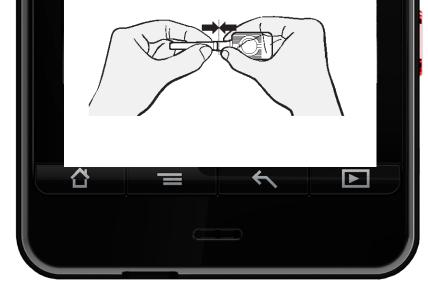
Solution: job aid app

A job aid app could help community health workers perform well with limited training.



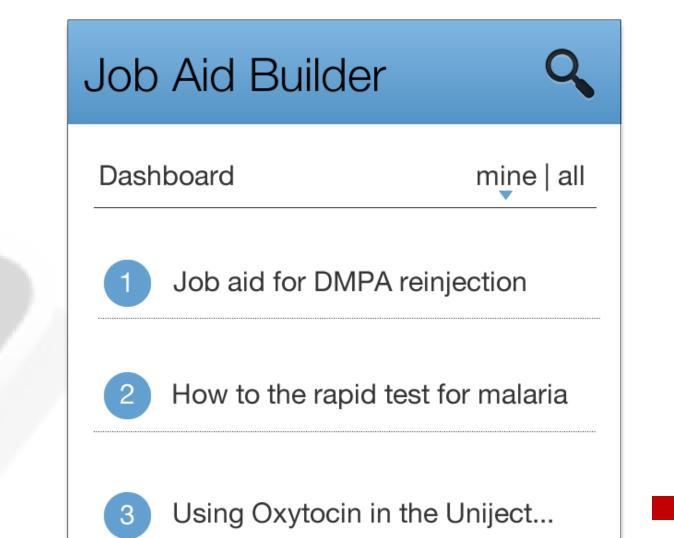




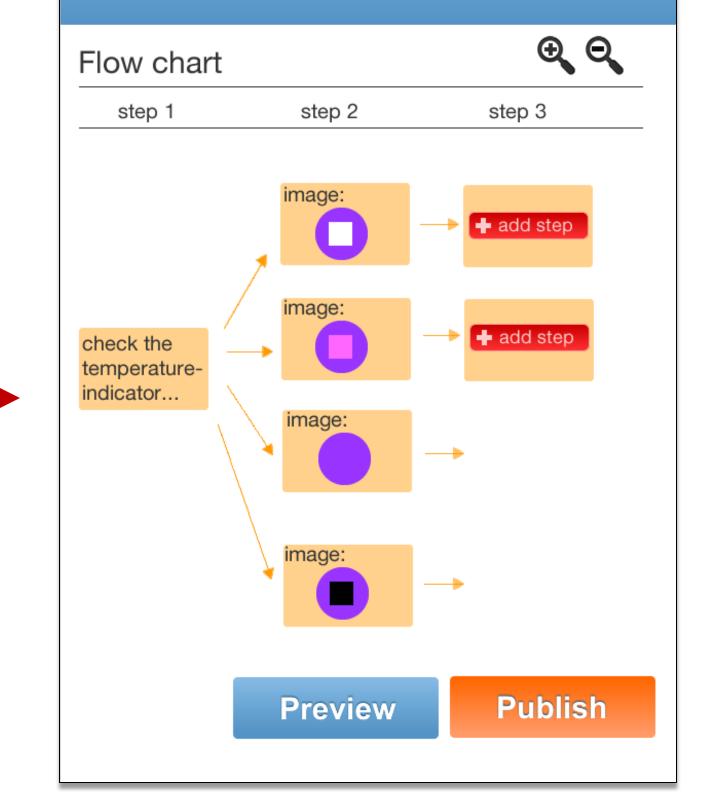


Related work

- Human resource management is a major challenge in global public health.
- Many NGOs are evaluating community health worker training costs and alternatives.
- Similar instructional apps exist, though not for the same context.



Job Aid Builder

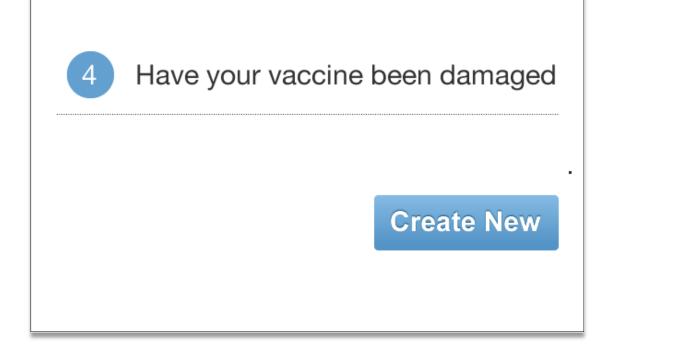


Field work

 Conducted interviews and rapid usability testing with 10 public health and communications professionals.

Interviewee and user feedback

- Important app elements:
 - Images or videos
 - Ability to see full context of steps
 - Clear wayfinding
 - Calculations
 - o Timers
- Not yet clear how this can be introduced in non-US public health systems, but could be feasible in US settings.



Job aid app builder

- Designed for non-programmers.
- Can be used on desktops or smart phones.
- Generates both apps and printed job aids.

Spring quarter proposed timeline

Weeks 1-4: Develop/refine app builder and apps
Conduct further research on how this could be
integrated into US or non-US public health systems.
Week 5: User test apps and app builder

• Could potentially improve training systems.

Weeks 6-9: Refine based on user feedback



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