

## Yu Nanamatshu: Experience of a fellow student at LVT Health



*YU with the SQALE team at LVCT Health*

Yu Nanamatshu, a Japanese student from the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine has been a fellow at LVCT Health for the last six weeks undertaking her field research, which is one of the requirement for her post graduate studies.

“Being in Kenya and visiting the field has been an eye opener for me, while in the UK I did a lot of desktop research it is incomparable to what I have discovered and experienced from my field research over the last six weeks.” Shared Yu

YU was attached to the SQALE project, which aims to strengthen leadership and coordination at national, county and community health levels by embedding a culture of quality improvement practice. She interacted with service providers at the community level by spending time and interviewing them on their work.

“The research team at LVCT health were very supportive in my research and helped me in conducting the interviews, despite their busy schedules. Initially it was difficult to conduct interviews by myself due to my poor English dialect, but their support and patience helped me to eventually conduct an interview by myself.” Explained Yu

“This field experience will help me move to the next level as I conclude my dissertation on data quality for community as a follow-up tool. Although it was my first time to visit Kenya on a working trip, I enjoyed the stay and hope to visit again with my family for holiday.” She concluded



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