The Washington Group Questions (WGQ) are designed to be administered at the individual level. However, in humanitarian action data is often collected at the household level as opposed to (or in addition to) at the individual level. When collecting data at household level, the preference of the scenarios below should be considered in the order displayed. The methodology used should always be stated in reports as changes to the WGQ affect the data collected.

**Scenario 1:** Asking the questions to all members of the household individually

**PROS:** Ensures quality and reliable data is collected for all member of the household

**CONS:** Takes time - especially when the size the household is big

Not all household level data collection tools can be adapted to collect individual level information

**Head of Household:**  
Do you have difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?  
☐ No, no difficulties ☐ Yes, some difficulties  
☐ Yes, a lot of difficulties ☐ Cannot do it at all

**Rest of Household:**  
Do you have difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?  
☐ No, no difficulties ☐ Yes, some difficulties  
☐ Yes, a lot of difficulties ☐ Cannot do it at all

If a lot of difficulties or cannot do it at all:

**Name/Age/Sex**

**OR Entire Household:**  
Do you have difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?  
☐ No, no difficulties ☐ Yes, some difficulties  
☐ Yes, a lot of difficulties ☐ Cannot do it at all

If a lot of difficulties or cannot do it at all:

**Name/Age/Sex**

**Scenario 2:** Ask the head of household for her/himself (if possible) and then for the rest of the household OR Ask the head of household and household members at the same time

**PROS:** Saves time and still provides reliable data for the head of household

**CONS:** Bias in the data collected for the rest of the household

**Attention point:** This scenario requires identification of household members who respond either a lot of difficulties or cannot do it at all (to avoid double counting).

**Head of Household:**  
Do you have difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?  
☐ No, no difficulties ☐ Yes, some difficulties  
☐ Yes, a lot of difficulties ☐ Cannot do it at all

**Household member number 1:**  
Do you have difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?  
☐ No, no difficulties ☐ Yes, some difficulties  
☐ Yes, a lot of difficulties ☐ Cannot do it at all

**Household member number 2:**  
Do you have difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?  
☐ No, no difficulties ☐ Yes, some difficulties  
☐ Yes, a lot of difficulties ☐ Cannot do it at all

**Scenario 3:** Ask only the head of household for him/herself only

**PROS:** Saves time and still provides reliable data for the head of household

**CONS:** Does not provide information on other household members who might also be beneficiaries

**Head of Household only:**  
Do you have difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?  
☐ No, no difficulties ☐ Yes, some difficulties  
☐ Yes, a lot of difficulties ☐ Cannot do it at all

**NEVER ASK THE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD A FILTER QUESTION** (e.g. Do you have people with disabilities/medical conditions in your household?) to determine household members who need to be asked the WGQ – the data collected will be unreliable.