Practice item Yes % No.

Washes hands before each client	
Cleans instruments with disinfectant	

Washes instruments after shaving clients

Washes razor with antiseptic solution

Washes razor with tapwater before use

Uses same blade for armpit shaving

Razor cuts observed on clients

Disposes of used blades in the garbage

Uses new blade on new client

(n = 186)

between clients

after use

on new client Disinfects skin cuts

128

141

112

179

178

134

73

25

65

5

68.8

75.8

60.2

96.2

95.7

72.0

39.2

13.4

34.9

2.7

Table 4 Barbers' shaving practices from observations of interactions with clients

No

%

31.2

24.2

39.8

3.8

4.3

28.0

60.8

86.6

65.1

97.3

No.

58

45

74

8

52

113

161

121