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COUNTRY EXPERIENCE

Kenya
PRESENTATION OUTLINE

1. Key Indicators for Kenya
2. Achievements
3. Facilitating factors
4. Constraining factors
5. Lessons learned
6. Recommendations
Key indicators

Where are we today?
Contraceptive use among currently married women (1984 – 2009)

1984 KCPS  17
1989 KDHS  27
1993 KDHS  33
1998 KDHS  39
2003 KDHS  39

CPR

- CPR
Key indicators cont.

Fertility trends

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 KeyEvent: KDHS
Indicators continued,

• Maternal Mortality Ratio 488 per 100,000 live births from 414 per 100,000
• One out of every four Kenyan women has unmet need (25%)
• High unmet need in Kenya leads to one million unplanned pregnancies.
Strategic objectives/Focus

EARHN developed six strategic objectives, which have been organized into three areas of strategic focus namely:

1) Advocacy and Coalition Building,
2) Programme Development and Expansion, and
3) Institutional Strengthening.
Strategic Focus 1: Advocacy and Coalition Building

**Objective 1:** Increase awareness and support for RH among key policy and decision makers in the region

**Action 1:** Advocate and promote SRHR in the region

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<td>1.2: Hold briefing meetings with Members of Parliament to lobby for support for Population issues</td>
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<td>1.3: Hold regional leaders meeting to advocate for reposition of Family Planning</td>
<td>4 meetings</td>
<td>4 meeting held in Rift Valley, Western, Easter and Coast regions</td>
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<td>1.4: Hold media briefing on Population and RH issues to sensitize journalists on accurate reporting of pop, and RH issues</td>
<td>9 media briefings</td>
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<td><strong>2.1:</strong> Train members on communicating population, health research to policy makers</td>
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<td><strong>2.2:</strong> Train members on population, health and environment: communicating information and effective interventions to policy maker</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>18 members to be trained in June</td>
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<td>2.4: Develop an Advocacy kit for County leaders</td>
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Other Advocacy materials developed

• 1 news letter (KENPOP NEWS) theme” Nat. Leaders Population Conference: “A call to Action”

• Advocacy strategy in place
### Objective 2: To strengthen linkages and strategic partnerships with other international, regional and national institutions and civil society organisations to create synergies, avoid duplication and maximize available resources in furtherance of the implementation of agreements (ICPD, MDGs, Maputo PoA, etc)

**Action 1: Hold regular coordination meetings**

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<td>3.1: Hold Stakeholders Coordination meetings to review programme implementation</td>
<td>2 meetings</td>
<td>2 meetings held <em>(share experiences on implementation of population activities)</em></td>
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<td>3.2: Hold regular meetings to evaluate IEC Advocacy material.</td>
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FACILITATING FACTORS

• Existence of a stakeholders’ database which facilitates quick contact and mobilization for participation in stakeholders meetings
• Increased support from Government and stakeholders’
• Increased political will in Population and Development issues
• Increased support from development partners
CONSTRAINING FACTORS

• Inadequate funds for implementation of programme

• Inadequate communication channels

• Minimal participation and contribution of EARHN members to the network.
LESSONS LEARNED

• Having multiple sources of funding is very useful in programme implementation

• Delay in the preparation of AWPs will always lead to delay in implementation of the planned activities

• Government ownership of programmes key to success
Recommendations

EARHN MEMBERS SHOULD:

1. Expand IEC programs for family planning so that messages reach men and women who can benefit
2. Encourage leaders at all levels to speak out in favour of Family Planning.
3. Design mechanisms to promote participation of member countries in the Network.
4. Countries should step up resource mobilisation efforts for Population and Development, RH