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Cover: Community health worker travels on bike to administer seasonal malaria chemoprevention door-to-door.

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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We are excited to launch our first Regional CORE Group Global Health Practitioner Conference in Nairobi, Kenya for three days of stimulating presentations, workshops, and plenaries, innovation pitches, research perspectives, new information circuits, and discussions surrounding the theme **“Leverage, Link and Learn for Community Health.”** CORE Group’s mission is rooted in collaboration and learning, and we are thrilled to offer a platform for multi-sectoral stakeholders to share their expertise from the Region.



Community health and elevating community voice is more important than ever, especially given the 2019 Universal Health Coverage (UHC) Declaration. Frontline health workers, community advocates, government health and finance officials, as well as private sector stakeholders and civil society partners must all work together and strive for improved health outcomes and innovation. Sustainable UHC needs strong political will, civil society engagement, and partnership across the region and globally. Emerging research on community health interventions, as well as evidence of primary health care approaches is essential.

We are grateful for the collaboration of our partners, the **Government of Kenya (GOK)** and the **Kenyan Ministry of Health. The Honorable Cabinet Secretary, Madame Sicily Kariuki** will offer an Opening Call to Action and share the success of the Kenya government in community health. **Prof. Miriam Were** will deliver our keynote address. As a community health legend and civil society advocate, Professor Were has worked for UNICEF, UNFPA, AMREF, WHO Global Health Workforce, National AIDS Control Council (NACC), and in academia, for improving health outcomes for communities in the region and globally.

Throughout the next three days, we encourage all conference participants to take part in the many evidence-based sessions, the workshops, site visits, the research presentations and New Information Circuits, the networking opportunities, and the poster sessions. Through our collaborative learning platform, we aim to move the community health agenda forward and offer new opportunities for collaboration and partnership in East Africa and globally.

This conference represents months of planning, coordination, and collaboration. Many thanks to everyone who helped make this event possible, including our Local and Global Planning committee members. We also thank our session presenters; our contributing partners and sponsors; innumerable volunteers; our Working Group Chairs; CORE Group staff; our Board of Directors, and our fantastic conference organizers, **Tikhala Itaye, Shelia Jackson, and Maciej Chmielewski**, as well as our Communications expert **Gorety Apondi**! We look forward to working with you in 2019 and beyond, as CORE Group strives to support community partners, our CORE Group members and to have real impact at the community, national and global levels.

CORE Group team members will be ready to answer your questions about how to become further engaged with CORE Group and how to join CORE Group as an official member. Together we can spur action and results for community health!

In partnership,
Lisa M. Hilmi
CORE Group Executive Director

ABOUT CORE GROUP

Who We Are

CORE Group unites a coalition of more than 100 non-governmental organizations (NGOs), universities, foundations, corporations, and individual experts to end preventable maternal, newborn, and child deaths around the world. For the past 20 years, CORE Group has been driving collaborative action and learning to improve and expand community health practices for underserved populations, especially women and children. CORE Group fosters collaboration and learning, strengthens technical capacity, develops innovative tools and resources, and advocates for effective community-focused health approaches.

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What We Do

Strengthening Programmatic Impact: CORE Group works together with global health stakeholders to examine the evidence and share best practices for community-based programming approaches. This helps our network, and other practitioners across the globe, to implement consistent, high impact interventions. Together, we develop and improve common monitoring and evaluation systems. Collaboration strengthens collective impact at scale, prevents duplication, and builds strong evidence-based practices.

Knowledge Management: CORE Group supports members and partners to capture and use lessons learned in program implementation. We present opportunities to build skills in knowledge management techniques. We serve as a platform to discuss and improve the interface between field-based implementation and donor and global directions.

Collaborative Response: CORE Group improves collaboration capacity through timely and unified responses to health crises, such as infectious disease outbreaks. We align NGOs and governments on key messages, strategies, and approaches. By mobilizing our membership and their strong in-country networks, we engage key stakeholders in dialogue and collaborative, evidence-based action. Our work fills gaps in community health and empowers civil society to ensure a smooth transition from emergency to sustainable development.

Engage With Us

Share stories. Discover resources. Engage with new partners. Strengthen the global knowledge base.

Technical Working Groups and Interest Groups

Our Technical Working Groups and Interest Groups accelerate progress in the field of community health around specific technical and cross-cutting issues. Working Groups are self-organizing, self-governing, and adaptive groups that transcend organizational boundaries. Each group has a specific work plan and is driven by voluntary co-chairs.

What exactly do our groups do?

- Develop state-of-the-art tools, practices, and strategies with direct benefits for field programs;
- Exchange information on best practices, resources, and opportunities;
- Link with academics, advocates, and private resources and expertise;
- Foster members' professional development;
- Build organizational partnerships and capacity; and
- Articulate the community health perspective in global policy dialogue and alliances

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Programs

We are partners on the following programs, providing expertise in community health and civil society engagement, knowledge management and learning, and communications.

CORE Group Polio Project: CORE Group Polio Project (CGPP) is a multi-country, multi-partner initiative providing financial backing and on-the-ground technical guidance and support to strengthen host country efforts to eradicate polio. The Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA) is integrating with CGPP activities to prevent, detect, and respond to current and future infectious disease outbreaks

USAID's flagship Maternal and Child Survival Program (MCSP): CORE Group is a partner on USAID's flagship Maternal and Child Survival Program (MCSP), a project that aims to end preventable child and maternal deaths in 25 high-priority countries. Within MCSP, CORE Group is an active member of the cross-cutting Community Health and Civil Society Engagement team, using our expertise in helping non-governmental organizations collaborate with government partners and other NGOs to improve health for communities and families.

Humanitarian-Development Nexus: CORE Group has partnered with Save the Children and Medair on a USAID/OFDA-funded initiative, *Addressing Gaps in the Evidence for Health and Nutrition in the Humanitarian-Development Nexus*, to address the operational evidence gaps around health and nutrition in the humanitarian-development nexus, research existing interventions, and turn this research into actionable guidelines.

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ABOUT GHPC KENYA

The **Global Health Practitioner Conference (GHPC)** is CORE Group's flagship annual conference. Implementers, academics, donors, private sector, and other community health advocates convene in this multi-day knowledge sharing and skills building meeting for state-of-art updates on maternal and child health, dialogues on community health, and professional networking.

GHPC Kenya, CORE Group's first regional GHPC, aims to:

1. **Leverage** community voices and experiences of frontline health workers, community health workers, community nurses, and other service delivery providers to help identify the kinds and levels of services needed;
2. **Link** individuals, organizations, governments, United Nations, donors, private sector, and many other key players both inside and outside the community towards addressing social determinants of health and ensuring everyone works together for improved health outcomes and breaking down silos; and
3. **Learn** about best practices and innovative approaches in community health within national and local health systems, as well as consortium building and technical capacity building with strategic focus for improved community health.

GHPC Kenya will focus on:

1. **Enabling stakeholders** to share progress and identify solutions to persistent community health challenges;
2. **Strengthening the role of community health workers** in line with the Sustainable Development Goals and Universal Health Coverage; and
3. **Informing global, national and local policies and plans** through evidence, success, and adaptive learning.

Making of the Logo

Community Circle (*primary logo*)

Advancing community health for children requires a holistic approach, with all members of the community taking part. Inspired by the traditional wooden figures of Kenyan artisans, but with a modern silhouette, the community is framed by a circle of bright colors.



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Beadwork (*secondary logo*)

The intricacy of Kenyan beadwork truly inspires: thousands of tiny beads expertly crafted into bold necklaces. The same care is being taken to form innovative solutions to the maternal, newborn, child, and adolescent health issues facing Kenya today.



These logos were created by Gwendolyn Stinger, independent graphic designer, and CORE Group staff.

OPENING REMARKS & KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Sicily Kariuki

Cabinet Secretary for Health, Ministry of Health Kenya



Sicily Kariuki has been serving as the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Ministry of Health Kenya since 2018. Previously, she served as the Cabinet Secretary for Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs. In her capacity as minister, Ms. Kariuki was appointed by WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus to serve on the Independent High-level Commission on Non-Communicable Diseases from 2018 to 2019. Prior to beginning her political career, she had a wide-ranging career in the business world including serving as the Managing Director and CEO of the Tea Board of Kenya.

Miriam Were

Chancellor, Moi University



Prof. Miriam Were is a Kenyan medical doctor, public health specialist, teacher and publisher. She is a member of the Champions for HIV-Free Generation that mostly consists of former African Heads of State. She has been Chancellor of Moi University, Chairman of Kenya's National AIDS Control Council and Chairman of the Board of African Medical and Research Foundation. She graduated as a Medical Doctor from the University of Nairobi and holds both the Masters (MPH) and Doctor of Public Health (DrPH) degrees from Johns Hopkins University. Prof. Were worked in the Kenyan Ministry of Health, Faculty of Medicine of the University of Nairobi, UNICEF, WHO and UNFPA. The focus of her work and research has been on establishing and promoting community health. Prof. Were has received multiple honors and awards including Kenya's Elder of the Burning Spear, the Queen Elizabeth II Gold Medal in Public Health and Knight in the French National Order of the Legion d'Honneur. She is the first Laureate of the Hideyo Noguchi Africa Prize for Medical Services by Japan.

PLENARY SPEAKERS

Opening Plenary

Tuesday, 15 October | 9:00am-10:30am | Pavillion

Panel:

Innocent Grant | Youth Leader and Clinician on Reproductive Health Promotion, Contraceptive Conversation

Dr. Salim Hussein | Head of Community Health and Development Unit, Ministry of Health Kenya

Margaret Nguhi | Official, Humanity & Inclusion

Nyawira Njeru | Director, Eastern Europe, Middle East & Africa, BD Global Health

Moderator: Mercy Juma | Broadcast Journalist, BBC Africa

Innovation Panel | Innovations to Strengthen Health Systems

Wednesday, 16 October | 9:00am-10:00am | Pavillion

Panel:

Doreen Ali | Deputy Director of Preventative Health Services, Ministry of Health Malawi

Allyson Nelson | Program Manager, Zanzibar, D-Tree International

Dr. Lola Dare | Chief Executive Officer and Secretary of the Governing Council, CHESTRAD

Faith Opiyo | Sexual Reproductive Health Rights Advocate and Founder, Center for Young Women Empowerment

Moderator: Crystal Lander | Director of Advocacy, Living Goods

Pitch Challenge | Innovative Solutions for Stronger Communities

Wednesday, 16 October | 10:30am-12:30pm | Pavillion

Judges:

Magnus Conteh | Executive Director, Community Health Academy

Marloes Kibucha | Co-Founder and Operations Director, Africa Health Business Ltd.

Josh Kraus | Business Strategy Manager, Health, Accenture

Rose Njiraini | Community Health Specialist, UNICEF

Dr. Salim Hussein | Head of Community Health and Development Unit, Ministry of Health Kenya

Closing Plenary | The Power of Three: Leverage, Link and Learn

Wednesday, 16 October | 3:30pm-5:00pm | Pavillion

Panel:

Dr. Diana Nambatya | Deputy Country Director, Community Health Partnerships, Living Goods

Dr. Elizabeth Wala | Program Director, Health Systems Strengthening, Amref Health Africa

Angela Nguku | Executive Director, White Ribbon Alliance Kenya

Dr. Mohamed Sheikh | Official, Ministry of Health Kenya

Eric Angula | Head of Strategy & Partnerships, Global Health Africa, Medtronic Foundation

Moderator: Mercy Juma | Broadcast Journalist, BBC Africa

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Communication and Public Relations Officer, Public Health Ambassadors Uganda



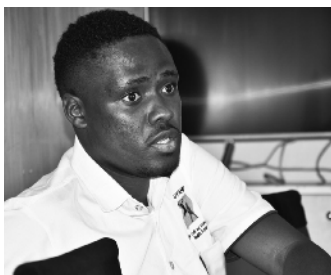
John Musinguzi has over 3 years' experience in journalism and health communication spanning cancer communication and sexual and reproductive health. With a personal attachment to the eradication of the HIV scourge through service delivery, health education and advocacy at grassroots impacting the most vulnerable demographics. John always strives to be a small part of the solution to the big problems that ravage humanity like disease and destitution through using his skills and knowledge. He enjoys photography and was the 2018 Winner of

Johns Hopkins University's Annual Photoshare Content People's Choice Award for the Sexual and Reproductive Health category.

John will be presenting a poster on: **Using Interactive Board Games to Reach Commercial Motorcycle (Bodaboda) Riders in Uganda with HIV/AIDS Information: A Case Study of Wasiko District.**

Patrick Mwesigye

Founder and Team Leader, Uganda Youth and Adolescents Health Forum



Patrick Mwesigye is a seasoned disruptor, noise maker and dynamic global young leader that has been speaking truth to power in advancing quality health, equity and dignity for women and girls in Uganda. Patrick is the Founder and Team Leader of Uganda Youth and Adolescents Health Forum (UYAHF). UYAHF is a vibrant, youth-led and youth serving organization that seeks to advance quality health and well-being for adolescents and young people through promotion of access to comprehensive SRHR services and

information, enhancement of gender equality and promotion of youth economic empowerment and skills development. Patrick leads the local She Decides movement in Uganda. He was also the former Vice President of the Africa Youth and Adolescents Network on Population and Development (AfriYAN-ESA) and an alternate board member for the Partnership for Maternal Newborn and Child Health representing the Adolescents and Youth Constituency. Patrick is a member of the African Union Youth Advisory Board.

Patrick will be moderating a concurrent session on: **Working with Young People to Achieve Universal Health Coverage Through Delivering a Responsive Adolescent Health Care System.**

Patrick Segawa

Team Leader, Public Health Ambassadors Uganda



Patrick Segawa is a renowned SRHR advocate, public health practitioner and social entrepreneur in family planning, reproductive health, and HIV/AIDS/STI prevention, with over 5 years of management experience coordinating and implementing reproductive health and HIV/AIDS community programs in developing countries. Patrick's cross-cutting skills in program leadership and management, social behavior change communication, public relations, negotiation, resource mobilization and fundraising, events planning and management, youth and social

media engagement, community led advocacy and capacity building are expertly applied in his role as Team Leader for Public Health Ambassadors Uganda (PHAU). He is among the 2019 Winners of 120 Under 40 which recognizes and highlights the achievements of the next generation of family planning leaders worldwide; he received the 2019 Community Impact Award from Clarke International University for his significant contributions to public health; he was also the 2017 Winner of Knowledge for Health's People's Choice Award; and he was part of the 2016 Cohort of SRHR advocates of Women Deliver's Young Leaders Program.

Patrick will be hosting a New Information Circuit Table on: **The Power of Edutainment to Advance SRH Information and Services Among Young People in Uganda**. He will also be presenting a poster on: **Using Human Centered Design to Create Demand and Increase Utilization of SRH Services Among Young People in Uganda: A Case Study of Hoima and Masindi District**.



Attendees from GHPC 2017 and 2019. Photos by Jason Putsche



AGENDA OVERVIEW

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2019 | PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

8:30am – 9:00am	Registration and Breakfast
9:00am - 1:00pm	SKILLS BUILDING SESSIONS
<i>Pavillion</i>	Identifying and Prioritizing Proven Community Engagement Activities to Strengthen Global Health Security Hosted by CGPP Kenya, CGPP Ethiopia, CORE Group; with technical input from Bronwyn Nichol, International Federation of the Red Cross/Red Crescent; Naomi Nagauria, Kenya Red Cross Society; Theresa Jones, Anthrologica; Kathryn Bertram, Johns Hopkins University; Alison Yoos, IMPACT
<i>LPZ Room 1</i>	How To (And Not To Do) Quality Improvement for Community Health Lilian Otiso, LVCT Health; Robinson Karuga, LVCT Health; Regeru Regeru, LVCT Health; Linet Okoth, LVCT Health; Meghan Kumar, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine
<i>LPZ Room 2</i>	Understanding Stigma and Promoting Social Inclusion in the Community; Lesson from Uganda and Kenya Michael Odong, John Snow, Inc.; Loice Maluki, Kuhenza for the Children Foundation
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Lunch <i>Expo Tables Open</i>
2:00pm - 5:00pm	SITE/FIELD VISITS Visit to “Maker Movement for MNCH” Space Hosted by Ministry of Health Kenya, UNICEF, Concern Worldwide Service Delivery through the Continuum of Care Hosted by Ministry of Health Kenya, UNICEF Visit to Living Goods – Thika Branch, Kiambu Hosted by Living Goods

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019

8:30am – 9:00am	Registration and Breakfast
9:00am – 10:30am	OPENING REMARKS & KEYNOTE ADDRESS
<i>Pavillion</i>	Welcome from CORE Group Lisa M. Hilmi, Executive Director, CORE Group Spotlight on Leverage, Link & Learn Innocent Grant, Youth Leader and Clinician on Reproductive Health Promotion, Contraceptive Conversation; Dr. Salim Hussein , Head of Community Health and Development Unit, Ministry of Health Kenya; Margaret Nguhi , Head of Programs, Humanity & Inclusion Kenya; Nyawira Njeru , Director, Eastern Europe, Middle East & Africa, BD Global Health; Mercy Juma , Broadcast Journalist BBC Africa (Moderator) Opening Remarks Sicily Kariuki, Cabinet Secretary for Health, Ministry of Health Kenya Keynote Address Miriam Were, Chancellor, Moi University

10:30am – 11:00am	Break <i>Expo Tables Open</i>
11:00am – 12:30pm	CONCURRENT SESSIONS - LEVERAGING COMMUNITY VOICES
<i>Pavillion</i>	Working with Young People to Achieve Universal Health Coverage Through Delivering a Responsive Adolescent Health Care System Suvajee Good, WHO Africa Regional Office; Faith Opiyo, Youth Advisory Panel to UNFPA Kenya; Tamara Jonsson, HIVOS Regional SRHR Fund; Pauline Bridget Anyona, Organization of Africa Youth Kenya; Winfred Apio, Uganda Youth and Adolescents Health Forum; Jesca Nsungwa Sabiiti, Ministry of Health Uganda; Patrick Mwesigye, Uganda Youth and Adolescents Health Forum (Moderator)
<i>LPZ Room 1</i>	Engaging Community Health Workers to End Violence Against Children Mwivano Malimbwi, World Vision Tanzania; Linda Mdhune, World Vision Kenya; Nicholas Kiprono, Sego Community Health Unit; Tom Davis, Jr., World Vision International (Moderator)
<i>LPZ Room 2</i>	Community-based Health Initiatives and Empowerment: Linkages and Prospects for Primary Health Care Esther Njoroge-Muriithi, Smile Train; Eunice Wandia Mailu, Sightsavers, Kenya; Andrew Mulwa, Makueni County Health Services; Francis Kalusa, Sightsavers Zambia; Gianaphina Mwende, Makueni County Community Health Volunteer; Michael Gichangi, Ministry of Health Kenya (Moderator)
<i>Mt Kenya C</i>	Using Community Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes: A Case of Integrated Health and Nutrition Outreaches and Participatory Learning and Action Cycle Irene Mugo, Food for the Hungry Kenya; Catherine Wamuyu, Save the Children Kenya
<i>Mt Kenya D</i>	When Women Demand Better! Lessons Learned Addressing GBV in Haiti, Lesotho and Kenya Jenelle Williams, Global Health Action; Lebohlang Patricia Mothae, Christian Health Association of Lesotho
12:30pm – 2:00pm	Lunch <i>Expo Tables Open</i>
12:45pm – 1:45pm	CORE Group's Technical Working Groups
<i>Pavillion</i>	Learn more about CORE Group Technical Working Groups from CORE Group Staff and Working Group Co-Chairs
2:00pm – 3:30pm	NEW INFORMATION CIRCUITS
	These tables feature presentations on new tools, innovations and projects on approaches and strategies that leverage community voices for improved community health. Each presenter stays at a table while attendees visit three of the tables for 25 minutes each over the course of this plenary.
3:30pm – 4:00pm	Break <i>Expo Tables Open</i>
4:00pm – 5:30pm	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – LINKAGES
<i>Pavillion</i>	Connecting Global to Local: A Knowledge Sharing Cafe with WHO and ECSA Tools and Resources Vincent Otieno, AFIDEP; Gitau Mburu, WHO; Laura Raney, Family Planning 2020; Daisy Ruto, Jhpiego; Walter Odoch, ECSA-HC; Nelson Keyonzo, ExpandNet; Billy Njoroge, IntraHealth; Janet Muriuki, IntraHealth; Ados May, WHO/IBP Initiative (Moderator) and Grace Nagendi, UNFPA (Moderator)
<i>LPZ Room 1</i>	Delivering Acute Malnutrition Treatment Through Low-literate iCCM Community Health Workers A Multi-country Initiative to Build Evidence for the Integrated Approach and Accelerate Policy Change Barnabas Mbele, John Yeke, International Rescue Committee; Olusola Oresanya, Malaria Consortium Nigeria, Action Against Hunger; James Njiru, Save the Children; Leah Nyambura, Action

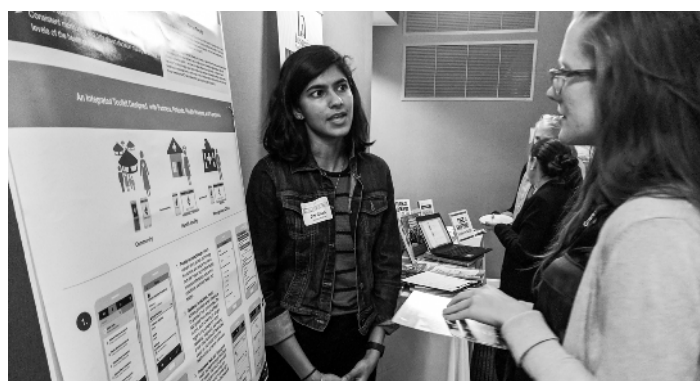
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	Against Hunger Kenya; Bethany Marron, International Rescue Committee (Moderator)
LPZ Room 2	Strengthening Systems for Health While Implementing Programs in the Humanitarian-Development Nexus Sarah Ashraf, Save the Children; Dr. Edwin Mbugua Maina, Concern Worldwide; Denge Galgallo, Department of Health, County Government of Marsabit, Ministry of Health Kenya; Midina Doko, Department of Health, County Government of Marsabit, Ministry of Health Kenya; Eric Sarriot, Save the Children (Moderator)
Mt Kenya C	A Holistic Approach to Engaging Communities in the Enhanced Utilization, Evaluation and Financing of Sustainable Reproductive and Maternal Health Interventions Dr. Carol Ngunu-Gituathi, Nairobi City County Government; Elizabeth Omondi, Amref Health Africa, Kenya; Felix Makasanda, Amref Health Felix; Carol Ajema, Afya Halisi, Jhpiego; Morine Sirera, The Challenge Initiative, East Africa, Jhpiego (Moderator)
Mt Kenya D	An Integrated Maternal Mental Health and Early Childhood Development Program in Kenya & Ghana: Multi-Stakeholder Perspectives on Implementation and Evaluation Raymond Owusu, Catholic Relief Services Ghana; Dr. Elizabeth Omondi, Siaya County Government; Sr. Paulin Acayo, Catholic Relief Services East African Regional Office; Sr. Rose Nancy Ghati, Franciscan Sisters of St. Anna; Tobias Opiyo, Catholic Relief Services Kenya (Moderator)
5:30pm – 7:30pm	PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING AND POSTER SESSION
5:45pm – 6:00pm	Resource Launch: Impact, Innovation and Inclusion of Civil Society Organizations in Polio Eradication: The CORE Group Polio Project Story CORE Group Polio Project Team
6:00pm – 7:30pm	Join us for a poster walk, networking, hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019

8:30am – 9:00am	Registration and Breakfast
9:00am – 10:00am <i>Pavillion</i>	INNOVATION PANEL: Innovations to Strengthen Health Systems Doreen Ali, Deputy Director of Preventative Health Services, Ministry of Health Malawi; Allyson Nelson, Program Manager, Zanzibar, D-Tree International; Dr. Lola Dare, Chief Executive Officer and Secretary of the Governing Council, CHESTRAD; Faith Opiyo, Sexual Reproductive Health Rights Advocate and Founder, Center for Young Women Empowerment; Crystal Lander, Director of Advocacy, Living Goods (Moderator)
10:00am – 10:30am	Break <i>Expo Tables Open</i>
10:30am – 12:30pm <i>Pavillion</i>	PITCH CHALLENGE: Innovative Solutions for Stronger Communities Judges: Rose Njiraini, Community Health Specialist, UNICEF; Josh Kraus, Business Strategy Manager, Health, Accenture; Magnus Conteh, Executive Director, Community Health Academy; Marloes Kibacha, Co-Founder and Operations Director, Africa Health Business Ltd.; Dr. Salim Hussein, Ministry of Health Kenya; CORE Group (Moderator) Presentation of prospective projects with innovation solutions to community health challenges and have a chance to win seed funding.
12:30pm – 2:00pm	Lunch <i>Expo Tables Open</i>

2:00 pm – 3:30pm	CONCURRENT SESSIONS - LEARN
<i>Pavillion</i>	Community Health Worker Assessment and Improvement Matrix (CHW AIM): Updated Program Functionality Matrix for Optimizing Community Health Programs Madeleine Beebe, Muso; Crystal Lander, Living Goods; Julius Mbeya, Lwala Community Alliance; Madeleine Ballard, Community Health Impact Coalition (Moderator)
<i>LPZ Room 1</i>	Strategic Partnering to Improve Community Health Worker Programming and Performance: Features of a Community Health System Integrated Approach Medhin Tsehaiu, UNAIDS; Patrick Malachi, Micro-Justice Kenya; Angela Gichaga, Financing Alliance for Health; Christine Kisia, WHO Kenya; Judy Macharia, Ministry of Health Kenya; Elizabeth Wala, Amref Health Africa (Moderator)
<i>LPZ Room 2</i>	Improving Quality of MNH/Family Planning in Sub-Saharan Africa Wangui Muthigani, Ministry of Health Kenya; Angela Nguku, White Ribbon Alliance Kenya; Charity Ndwiga, Population Council
<i>Mt Kenya C</i>	Using mHealth and Data Technologies to Support A New Model of Community Health Care - Case of Medic Mobile and World Vision Angella Akolla, World Vision International; Teddy Nakyanzi, World Vision International; Brian Ssenoga, Medic Mobile (Moderator)
<i>Mt Kenya D</i>	Young Health Program Kenya: A Public-Private Partnership Tackling NCD Risk Factors Among Young People (10 - 24 years) in Kibera Slums, Nairobi, Kenya Danor Ajwang, Young Health Program, Plan International; Paul Odongo, Young Health Program, Plan International; Dr. Sahra Mohamed, Ministry of Health Kenya; Dr. Sylvia Vito, AstraZeneca (Moderator)
3:30pm – 5:00pm	CLOSING PLENARY The Power of Three: Leverage, Link and Learn Dr. Diana Nambatya, Deputy Country Director, Community Health Partnerships, Living Goods; Dr. Elizabeth Wala, Program Director, Health Systems Strengthening, Amref Health Africa; Angela Nguku, Executive Director, White Ribbon Alliance Kenya; Dr. Mohamed Sheikh, Official, Ministry of Health Kenya; Eric Angula, Head of Strategy & Partnerships, Global Health Africa, Medtronic Foundation; Mercy Juma, Broadcast Journalist, BBC Africa (Moderator)



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PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

Skills Building Sessions | 9:00AM-1:00PM

PAVILLION | Identifying and Prioritizing Proven Community Engagement Activities to Strengthen Global Health Security

Hosted by CGPP Kenya, CGPP Ethiopia, CORE Group; with technical input from Bronwyn Nichol, International Federation of the Red Cross/Red Crescent; Naomi Nagauria, Kenya Red Cross Society; Theresa Jones, Anthrologica; Kathryn Bertram, Johns Hopkins University; Alison Yoos, IMPACT

The Global Health Security Agenda (GHS) was launched in February 2014 to advance a world safe from infectious disease threats, to bring together nations from all over the world to make new, concrete commitments, and to elevate the International Health Regulations (2005) as a national leaders-level priority. Global health security practitioners and policy makers acknowledge the need for an inclusive, community-led approach to strengthen a nation's capacity to prevent, detect, and respond to infectious disease. However, missing from the health security toolkit is a clear path to do just that.

This session bridges the experience of community-based organizations alongside global and national health security planners and policymakers to share best practices in community engagement that will strengthen health security from local to national levels and beyond.

The goal of the workshop is to identify a constellation of community engagement activities and approaches that have proven effective, and that can be absorbed into the local, national, and global health security programming.

LPZ ROOM 1 | How To (And Not To Do) Quality Improvement for Community Health

PRESENTERS: Lilian Otiso, LVCT Health; Robinson Karuga, LVCT Health; Regeru Regeru, LVCT Health; Linet Okoth, LVCT Health; Meghan Kumar, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine

In this session we will include various participatory and interactive approaches that have been used with success in our training workshops and learning events with community-level and sub-county level Quality Improvement Teams, county health managers and national health managers over the past three years to embed the use of these tools and approaches in their day-to-day work. We hope these approaches will be shared widely and we will be disseminating the electronic copy of the National facilitator's manual for quality improvement of community health services that was developed through this project for implementers to use in their future work on the same. This session advances the overall conference theme in that we strongly emphasize that a key focus of quality improvement of community health services is lifting up community voices and working towards client satisfaction, and in this session we will be sharing the first tool ever to systematically capture a demand-side perspective on the quality of community healthcare.

LPZ ROOM 2 | Understanding Stigma and Promoting Social Inclusion in the Community: Lesson from Uganda and Kenya

PRESENTERS: Michael Odong, RHITES-N, Lango, John Snow Inc.; Loice Maluki, Kuhenza for the Children Foundation

People living with disabilities, HIV, tuberculosis (TB) and victims of gender-based violence (GBV) are often unable to access the care and support they need due to stigma and discrimination from those in their communities. Fortunately, JSI and Kuhenza have been working to combat stigma and improve quality of life for these marginalized populations for more than 20 years. The training and tools address stigma affecting people with HIV and TB, and victims of GBV. The program includes guides for facilitators and participants and a set of conversation cards that depict stigma scenarios. Kuhenza has developed low-cost, 1-day disability trainings for pastors, traditional healers and government leaders who are highly influential in shaping disability-related beliefs and practices. Trainees learn about disability definitions, causes, treatments and laws. Participants also develop action plans which they use to support families impacted by disability after the workshop through counseling, service referrals and by forming parent support groups and disability outreach committees. JSI and Kuhenza's simple programs and tools make it easy for other organizations to use the models in other countries and settings.

Site Visits | 2:00PM-5:00PM

Visit to "Maker Movement for MNCH" Space

Hosted by Ministry of Health Kenya; UNICEF; Concern Worldwide

To address the acute shortage of essential MNCH equipment in Kenya, UNICEF and the Ministry of Health Kenya with funding from the Philips Foundation partnered with Concern Worldwide, University of Nairobi, Kenyatta National Hospital, KEBS - Kenya Bureau of Standards and KIPI - Kenya Industrial Property Institute to implement the "Maker Movement for MNCH" ("Maker"). The project is testing the viability of creating a network, the "Maker Hub": linking local makers, biomedical engineers and MNCH practitioners. The aim is to leverage this community's strengths - ingenuity, problem-solving, and democratized design and manufacturing to help overcome the obstacles of fully equipping points of care for quality MNCH service delivery. Participants will visit the Maker site and have an opportunity to discuss and interact with the Makers, view first-hand what projects have been prototyped and are undergoing clinical testing, and have conversations on the process from conceptualization to production of locally made MNCH equipment. A few examples of the prototyped MNC devices that will be on display include: anti-shock garment, phototherapy unit, examination lamp, delivery bed, delivery cushion, and a drip stand and suction machine.

Service Delivery Through the Continuum of Care

Hosted by Ministry of Health Kenya; UNICEF

The site visit will begin at a health facility, at an MNCH clinic where the participants will observe basic primary health services provided to women and children. The participants will then go into the community and have a conversation with a CHV on the services they provide and the linkage they give with the health facility. From there the participants can visit a household with a pregnant woman, a child under five or newborn to discuss the services provided to them by CHVs.

Visit to Living Goods -- Thika Branch

Hosted by Living Goods

Living Goods works with governments and partners to leverage smart mobile technology, rigorously strengthen performance, and relentlessly innovate to cost-effectively deliver high quality, impactful health services. Since 2015, Living Goods has worked closely with Kenya's Ministry of Health (MOH) and county-level governments to strengthen the health system by recruiting, training, and supporting a network of community health workers (CHWs), known locally as Community Health Volunteers (CHVs).

The Six Key Elements that define our approach and drives our impact in Thika includes: ensuring availability of empowered community health workers to deliver on-demand in Thika, collaborating with the county team, to achieve national impact, employing rigorous performance management and smart incentives, leveraging on disruptive mobile technology, having an integrated platform that avoids inefficiencies of single-issue health strategies, and ensuring access to life-saving drug. A tour through the LG Branch depicts an office that is not only an official working space for staff but also a place with a well-organized warehouse which contains a range of medicines and health-related products provided and sold by CHWs to their clients at the household level.

Pick-up and drop-off outside Pavillion Ballroom. Site visit participants must check in outside of the Pavillion Ballroom an hour before the scheduled departure time.

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Opening Remarks, Keynote Address & Panel Discussion

9:00AM-10:30AM | PAVILLION

Welcome from CORE Group

Lisa M. Hilmi, CORE Group Executive Director

Spotlight on Leverage, Link & Learn

Innocent Grant, Youth Leader and Clinician on Reproductive Health Promotion, Contraceptive Conversation; Dr. Salim Hussein, Head of Community Health and Development Unit, Ministry of Health Kenya; Margaret Nguhi, Head of Programs, Humanity & Inclusion Kenya | MODERATOR: Mercy Juma, Broadcast Journalist, BBC Africa

Opening Remarks

Sicily Kariuki, Cabinet Secretary for Health, Ministry of Health Kenya

Keynote Address

Miriam Were, Chancellor, Moi University

Concurrent Sessions: Leveraging Community Voices

11:00AM-12:30PM

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Working with Young People to Achieve Universal Health Coverage Through Delivering a Responsive Adolescent Health Care System

PRESENTERS: Suvajee Good, WHO Africa Regional Office; Faith Opiyo, Youth Advisory Panel to UNFPA Kenya; Tamara Jonsson, Hivos Regional SRHR Fund; Pauline Bridget Anyona, Organization of Africa Youth Kenya; Winfred Apio, Uganda Youth and Adolescent Forum; Jesca Nsungwa Sbiiti, Ministry of Health Uganda | MODERATOR: Patrick Mwesigye, Uganda Youth and Adolescents Health Forum

We have an unprecedented opportunity to improve the health of adolescents and young people and to respond more effectively to their specific needs. The Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health and the AA-HA! Frameworks have identified adolescents as being central to achieving the SDGs and Universal Health Coverage (UHC). Today, UHC as a framework provides an opportunity for renewed attention to meeting the health-care needs of adolescents through the strengthening of health systems. Taking into account the unique needs of adolescents and young people, youths must be given an opportunity to meaningfully participate and influence decision-making processes that affect their health and well-being particularly Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights issues. Young people have to be brought on the table to share their specific experiences and to propose what works to create adolescent responsive health care systems. This session will seek to provide a platform of intergenerational dialogue between young people, practitioners and policy makers.

LPZ ROOM 1

Engaging Community Health Workers to End Violence Against Children

PRESENTERS: Mwivano Malimbwi, World Vision Tanzania; Linda Mdhune, World Vision Kenya; Nicholas Kiprono, Sego Community Health Unit | MODERATOR: Tom Davis Jr., World Vision International

This session will elevate the voices and experiences of CHWs on an issue that affects 1.7 billion children globally every year. It will help identify the kinds and levels of services needed to end violence against children, and the role that CHWs can play in this important issue. The session will also allow for a deep dive into participants' views and opinions on the issue of CHWs

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and violence against children. Session participants will also have the opportunity to learn about and discuss the findings of a pathbreaking World Vision survey of CHWs' perceptions and practices in dealing with violence against children. The survey ran in 2019 in four countries, reaching 412 CHWs.

LPZ ROOM 2

Community-based Health Initiatives and Empowerment: Linkages and Prospects for Primary Health Care

PRESENTERS: Esther Njoroge-Muriithi, Smile Train; Eunice Wandia Mailu, Sightsavers Kenya; Andrew Mulwa, Makueni County Health Services; Francis Kalusa, Sightsavers Zambia; Gianaphina Mwendu, Makueni County Community Health Volunteer | MODERATOR: Michael Gichangi, Ministry of Health Kenya

This session, organized in a participatory and interactive format, will reflect upon and discuss the surgical care system; opportunities to leverage, integrate and implement surgical care programs at the community level, in a more strategic and collaborative approach. The session will highlight the role that organizations play in strengthening health systems for achievement of UHC by addressing gaps in accessing health services especially for neglected health conditions. Through engagement with local governments to ensure proper training, resources and staffing for CHWs, patients can be prepared and referred for essential but non-emergency facility level treatment by CHWs. In addition, those patients who have accessed surgery for cataract or cleft-lip and palate and as a result their livelihoods enhanced, do act as a source of motivation to others. These champions, when appropriately tapped play a key role in community health. Governments and health service delivery organizations must commit to supporting and empowering CHWs to serve this vital role, while ensuring a sufficient health workforce to also provide basic preventative and curative care at the community level.

MT KENYA C

Using Community Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes: A Case of Integrated Health and Nutrition Outreaches and Participatory Learning and Action Cycle

PRESENTERS: Irene Mugo, Food for the Hungry Kenya; Catherine Wamuyu, Save the Children Kenya

Food for the Hungry Kenya (FH Kenya) and Save the Children has been implementing community strategies in Marsabit and Busia Counties respectively. The two but complementary strategies are aimed at increased knowledge on maternal, newborn and child health (MNCH) as well as increased access and demand for MNCH services. FH Kenya partners with the local government of Marsabit County in delivery of health and nutrition services to communities living in remote places, above 5KMs away from the nearest health facility using integrated health and nutrition outreaches. This is a partnership that ensures government staff with required technical capacity, essential drugs and nutrition supplements are delivered to the communities that could have otherwise missed health care. Through this approach, malnourished children and women are identified and treated before onset of complications, thus preventing morbidity and mortality associated with malnutrition. It is also an avenue where pregnant and lactating women and care givers of children 0-5 years are educated on maternal infant and young child nutrition. Save the children on the other hand has been using participatory learning and action cycle (PLAC), an approach that improves knowledge on maternal and child health amongst women of child bearing age. 20 to 30 women are grouped together and they are taken through various topics such as exclusive breastfeeding, attendance of antenatal clinics, immunization, in a period of 6 weeks. The topics are taught by a female community volunteer who has been trained on basic community maternal and newborn health.

MT KENYA D

When Women Demand Better! Lessons Learned Addressing GBV in Haiti, Lesotho and Kenya

PRESENTERS: Jenelle Williams, Global Health Action; Lebohang Patricia Mothae, Christian Health Association of Lesotho

Gender-Based Violence (GBV) is defined as the psychological, economic, physical and sexual violence against women and girls. GBV is recognized as a significant contributing factor to increased rates of teenage pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, economic struggle, stigma, and marginalization of women and girls. In Haiti, according to the Ministry of Health (MSPP), 28% of women between the ages of 15 and 49 have been physically abused since the age of 15. In Lesotho, according to the 2013 Gender Links Violence against Women (VAW) baseline study, 86 percent of women in Lesotho have experienced some form of violence

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at least once in their lifetime. This session aims to (1) discuss the root issues of GBV; (2) share and discuss lessons learned in strengthening referral and case management systems for GBV; (3) share and discuss strategies to strengthen multisectoral networks of community members (particularly women and girls), civil society, faith communities, law enforcement in the fight against GBV. This will be an interactive session of a combined panel and roundtable session where participants will engage, share and participate in this critical issue.

Lunch Session: Overview of CORE Group's Technical Working Groups **12:45PM-1:45PM | PAVILLION**

Learn more about CORE Group's Technical Working Groups from CORE Group Staff and Working Group Co-Chairs.

New Information Circuits **2:00PM-3:30PM | PAVILLION**

Attendees will be able to choose three tables to visit over the course of this plenary. These tables include new tools, innovations, projects, and topics shared interactively by various presenters.

View full table descriptions here: <http://bit.ly/GHPCKenyaNICS>

TABLE 1: Documenting Project Successes and Challenges through Journal Publication: The CGPP Experience of Turning Project Implementers into Published Writers
Lydia Bologna, CORE Group Polio Project

TABLE 2: mHealth for Delivering Essential Feeding Interventions for Children and Living with Disabilities
Doreen Alupo, The Association of Religious in Uganda

TABLE 3: Early Childhood Development CREDIT Scores and a Digital Care for Child Development Community Health Worker Tool in Zanzibar
Allyson Nelson, D-Tree International

TABLE 4: The Power of Edutainment to Advance SRH Information and Services Among Young People in Uganda
Patrick Segawa, Public Health Ambassadors Uganda

TABLE 5: Building Capacity of Healthcare Workers Via a Fun, Engaging Way - Gaming!
Zoya Mohamed, inSupply Health, Ltd.

TABLE 6: Tackling Malnutrition in Arid and Semi-Arid Regions of Turkana County in Kenya through an Integrated Nutrition, WASH, and Livelihoods Project
Penninah Mathenge, International Rescue Committee

TABLE 7: Integrating Community Feedback Using the Community Voice and Action (CVA) Approach for Better RMNCH/Malaria Services
Rosine Bigirimana, IntraHealth

TABLE 8: New Materials for Community-based NCD Care in Humanitarian Settings

Victoria Mshiki, International Rescue Committee

TABLE 9: In the Sexual and Reproductive Health Sector: The Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Quarters are the Key Persons in the Behavior Change of Adolescents

Eric Mabika, Save the Children

TABLE 10: Translating 1st ANC into 4th ANC, SBA, Child Health and FP Results: A Journey of Young 1st Time Mothers Through Peer to Peer Strategies: A Case Study of Binti (BKB) Groups in Kilifi County

Sharon Atieno and Zebedee Mkala, Pathfinder International

TABLE 11: Learned Lessons from Scaling Up Left Behind Children's Health and Wellness Program in China

Jenelle Williams, Global Health Action

TABLE 12: Empower Community Leader to Support Improved Care and Inclusion for Children with Disabilities and their Families in Kilifi County

Loice Maluki, Kuhenza for the Children

TABLE 13: Leaving No One Behind on the Path to UHC: Tools to Improve Family Planning Access Among Adolescents and Youth, Women and Adolescent Girls Affected by Crises, and Those with a Disability

Laura Raney, Family Planning 2020

TABLE 14: Point-of-Care Data Driven Reviews for Improved Retention in Care: Experience of Doctors with Africa CUAMM USAID RHITES Project

George Aguze, Doctors with Africa-CUAMM

TABLE 15: Proactive Community Case Management (ProCCM): Ensuring Rapid Universal Coverage at the Community Level

Madeleine Beebe, Muso

TABLE 16: Tom Brown: A New Approach for Management of Moderate Acute Malnutrition

Pauline Adah, Catholic Relief Services

TABLE 17: Prevalence of HIV and Pre-Cervical Cancer Co-morbidity in Women Under 25 Years of Age Compared to Women Over 25 Years of Age: Lessons from Zambia

Yvonne Mulenga, Project Concern International

TABLE 18: Predictive Validity of Living Goods Selection of Tools for Community Health Workers

Howard Akimala, Living Goods

TABLE 19: The International Institute of Primary Health Care - Ethiopia (IIfPHC-E): Promoting Health for All Through Primary Health Care

Mengesha Admassu, Luidina Hailu and Hiwot Tadesse, IIfPHC-E

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Concurrent Sessions: Linkages 4:00PM-5:30PM

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Connecting Global to Local: A Knowledge Sharing Cafe with WHO and ECSA Tools and Resources

PRESENTERS: Vincent Otieno, AFIDEP; Gitau Mburu, WHO; Laura Raney, Family Planning 2020; Daisy Ruto, Jhpiego; Walter Odoch, ECSA-HC; Nelson Keyonzo, ExpandNet; Billy Njoroge, IntraHealth; Janet Muriuki, IntraHealth | MODERATORS: Ados May, WHO/IBP Initiative and Grace Nagendi, UNFPA

This session will address the theme of local engagement and capacity building by being hosted jointly by WHO/IBP and a regional organization, ECSA-HC. The session will link partners with each other and make the linkage between global guidelines (through WHO) and local learning (through ECSA-HC). At the end of the session, participants will have a better understanding of important WHO Guidelines and resources supporting SHRR programming. They will also be aware of local tools and resources supported by ECSA-HC and other local partners. Participants will have also made new contacts and be encouraged to share how newly learned knowledge will be incorporated into country and regional level programming.

LPZ ROOM 1

Delivering Acute Malnutrition Treatment Through Low-literate iCCM Community Health Workers: A Multi-country Initiative to Build Evidence for the Integrated Approach and Accelerate Policy Change

PRESENTERS: Barnabas Mbele John Yeke, International Rescue Committee; Olusola Oresanya, Malaria Consortium Nigeria; James Njiru, Save the Children; Leah Nyambura, Action Against Hunger Kenya | MODERATOR: Bethany Marron, International Rescue Committee

In this session, participants will learn about an innovative approach to increase access and coverage for treatment of acute malnutrition, involving four agencies' experience deploying a low-literacy toolkit and implementing and testing in 3 countries. Participants will learn preliminary results from South Sudan and Nigeria and discuss how these results contributed to protocol development and iteration in subsequent contexts, including ongoing research in Kenya; what worked and what did not work well. Participants will be engaged to share their experience linking community health services, working with low-literate providers, and building an evidence base for community health innovations. Participants and presenters will discuss operational challenges and policy barriers to strengthening and/or expanding community health platforms as well as discuss ways to improve implementation of integrated community health programs and accelerate policy change.

LPZ ROOM 2

Strengthening Systems for Health while Implementing Programs in the Humanitarian-Development Nexus

PRESENTERS: Sarah Ashraf, Save the Children; Dr. Edwin Mbugua Maina, Concern Worldwide; Denge Galgallo, Department of Health, County Government of Marsabit Ministry of Health Kenya; Midina Doko, Department of Health, County Government of Marsabit, Ministry of Health Kenya | MODERATOR: Eric Sarriot, Save the Children

Even when well-planned interventions are designed and implemented with communities and Ministries of Health, there are fundamental challenges and unexpected consequences that are often exacerbated during emergency periods and the transition back to development settings. Health system strengthening along a continuum of humanitarian and development contexts requires adaptive, multidisciplinary approaches yet this “nexus” is not always straightforward and its difficult to ascertain what to do and when. In some instances, implementation consequences can leave the health system in a weaker position once the emergency subsides making the transition back to more stable, development settings a challenge. Moreover, frequent and recurring “gap filling” by INGOs during emergencies is counterintuitive to system strengthening principles and erodes longer-term development goals. This session will feature first-hand perspectives from a frontline community health worker, Ministry of Health-Kenya, and Concern Worldwide on efforts to improve community health in a setting that oscillates between development and emergencies contexts. The discussion will focus on how this strategy has been contextualized to the unique and marginalized Arid and Semi Arid Lands in Northern Kenya and what needs to be done differently if Kenya is

going to meet the SDGs and make strides toward achieving UHC. Save the Children will present evidence and share lessons from Sudan and Pakistan on health system strengthening in fragile settings. Findings and the subsequent discussion will be geared toward advancing practitioner knowledge and skills on making calculated and appropriate decisions to advance health systems despite fragile settings.

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A Holistic Approach to Engaging Communities in the Enhanced Utilization, Evaluation and Financing of Sustainable Reproductive and Maternal Health Interventions

PRESENTERS: Dr. Carol Ngunu-Gituathi, Nairobi City County Government; Elizabeth Omondi, Amref Health Africa, Kenya; Felix Makasanda, Amref Health Africa; Carol Ajema, Afya Halisi, Jhpiego | MODERATOR: Morine Sirera, The Challenge Initiative, East Africa, Jhpiego

This session will seek to highlight gender related barriers to access and utilization of family planning, antenatal care and skilled birth attendance. Evidence demonstrates that existing cultural barriers contribute significantly to poor reproductive health outcomes, despite various financing initiatives rolled out in Kenya to incentivize pregnant women and girls to access RH services from skilled providers within the health sector. This session will present findings from approaches implemented at the community-level with the aim of enhancing community led follow up and participatory evaluation of services offered to pregnant women and girls. We will in this session share evidence of approaches that have been used to (i) involve the community in evaluating the quality of services, and (ii) leverage Governments initiatives towards the implementation of quality, scalable and sustainable FP interventions in Sub Saharan Africa.

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An Integrated Maternal Mental Health and Early Childhood Development Program in Kenya & Ghana: Multi-Stakeholder Perspectives on Implementation and Evaluation

PRESENTERS: Raymond Owusu, Catholic Relief Services Ghana; Dr. Elizabeth Omondi, Siaya County Government; Sr. Paulin Acayo, Catholic Relief Services East African Regional Office; Sr. Rose Nancy Ghati, Franciscan Sisters of St. Anna | MODERATOR: Tobias Opiyo, Catholic Relief Services Kenya

Maternal depression impacts both the mother's health as well as potentially her child's health via impaired maternal ability to be sensitive and responsive to her child needs thus lowering maternal self-efficacy which predicts poor child social-emotional and cognitive outcomes. Good mental health is critical for caregivers to recognize their young child's needs and respond appropriately while managing their own personal emotions and experiences. Maternal depression therefore poses a barrier in their ability to be present to effectively support their child's optimal development. The prevalence of common perinatal and postnatal mental disorders – including depression, anxiety and adjustment disorders is high in resource constrained low and middle-income countries including Kenya (WHO, 2018). Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and Duke University are implementing a longitudinal study to assess the impact of the Integrated Mothers and Babies Course & Early Childhood Development (iMBC/ECD) intervention on the mental wellbeing of mothers of young children and their children's social-emotional development in Kenya and Ghana. The goal of the research is to join government's ECD taskforces at national levels to share iMBC/ECD intervention best practices and lessons learned, and main outcomes to influence national ECD policy and guidelines on maternal well-being and ECD, possibly scale-up the iMBC tools and interventions. This session will provide a detailed look at the study.

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Resource Launch: Impact, Innovation and Inclusion of Civil Society Organizations in Polio Eradication: The CORE Group Polio Project Story **5:45PM-6:00PM | FOYER AREA OUTSIDE CASINO**

Join the CORE Group Polio Project team during the Professional Networking and Poster Session to celebrate the release of its 13-article supplement entitled, "Impact, Innovation and Inclusion of Civil Society Organizations in Polio Eradication: The CORE Group Polio Project Story." The series of articles highlights the importance of community engagement and community ownership as well as the critical supporting role played by civil society. Authors from India, Ethiopia, Nigeria, South Sudan, Kenya and Somalia will be on hand to showcase the CGPP's work with frontline community volunteers, mobilizers and health workers who engage with local communities to effectively reach every home to register pregnant women and newborns, identify unimmunized children, raise awareness about AFP and disease surveillance, and promote polio and other immunizations. You will hear about the innovative strategies and tools developed by the CGPP which have relevance for control of other important diseases; each article emphasizes the strong sub-theme of replication and adaptation to other community health initiatives - long after the eradication of polio.

A limited number of print copies will be distributed at the launch event.

Poster Session & Professional Networking **6:00PM-7:30PM | FOYER AREA OUTSIDE CASINO**

There will also be space for professional networking. Light hors d'oeuvres will be provided and a cash bar will be available.

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Unheard Voices: Gaps and Challenges of Lady Health Worker Program in Rural Sindh
Farina Abrejo, The Aga Khan University

The Impact of Service Delivery Environment on Community Health: The Case of Family Planning Use: A Multilevel Analysis
Bekele Tefera, Pathfinder International

Malnutrition in Children <5 Years with Orofacial Clefts in Low- and Middle-Income Countries: An Audit of Smile Train's Global Database
Barbara Delage, Smile Train and London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

The Need to Reprioritize Older Populations in HTS Programs: Data from Nairobi, Kenya
Caren Oburu, IMA World Health

Using Human Centered Design to Create Demand and Increase Utilization of SRH Services Among Young People in Uganda: A Case Study of Hoima and Masindi District
Patrick Segawa, Public Health Ambassadors Uganda

Broad Communication Messages Support in Adopting Positive Behavior for Polio Eradication in Uttar Pradesh, India
Rina Dey, CORE Group Polio Project

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Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC) for Newborns Following Discharge from the KMC Unit: Mother's Experience of Support at Home and With Follow-Up Care

Pauline Njoroge, Save the Children

The Impact of Gender Mainstreaming and Integration on Norms and Social and Behavior Change Approaches: A Scoping Report

Debora Freitas Lopez, University Research Co.

Association of Health Facility-based Counselling and Community Outreach with Maternal Diet in Tanzania

Benesta Masau, IMA World Health

Understanding Integration in Practice and Learning from Community Health Workers in Malawi

Chikosa Ngwira, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

Screening Practices and Decision-Making of Mothers Trained on MUAC Measurements in Marsabit, Kenya

Nancy Mbae, Concern Worldwide

ICT4D to Reduce Drug Stock Outs Among Community Health Volunteers

Everlyn Matiri, Catholic Relief Services

Strengthening Community Health Systems and Cross-Sectoral Partnerships to Increase Access to Fistula Care: Evaluating the Implementation of a Complex Intervention

Charity Ndwiga, Population Council

Prevalence and Correlates of Mental Health Status Among Pregnant Women Enrolled in an Early Childhood Development Program in Rural Northern Ghana

Raymond Owusu, Catholic Relief Services

"For Youth By Youth" An Effective Approach to Increase Youth Knowledge on Family Planning (FP) in Rwanda: The Case of Rural Gisagara District

Victor Pacifique Rwandarwacu, International Youth Alliance for Family Planning (IYAAP)

Strengthening Community Health Supply Chains Using IMPACT Team Approach

Gertrude Muchibi, inSupply Health, Ltd.

Development of a Culturally Appropriate Birthing Space at Matongo Health Center in Kisii County, Kenya

Dana Corbett, Curamericas Global

Building and Adolescent Health Program Using Human Centered Design

Shweta Verma, Children International

Using Interactive Board Games to Reach Commercial Motorcycle (Bodaboda) Riders in Uganda with HIV/AIDS Information: A Case Study of Wakiso District

John Musinguzi, Public Health Ambassadors Uganda - PHUA

Scale Up of Isoniazid Preventive Therapy: A Quality Management Approach in Nairobi County, Kenya

Eunice Omanywa, IMA World Health

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Innovation Panel: Innovations to Strengthen Health Systems

9:00AM-10:00AM | PAVILLION

Technology is more than new digital platforms, it's about improving health.

PANELISTS: Doreen Ali, Deputy Director of Preventative Health Services, Ministry of Health Malawi; Allyson Nelson, Program Manager, Zanzibar, D-Tree International; Dr. Lola Dare, Chief Executive Officer and Secretary of the Governing Council, CHESTRAD; Faith Opiyo, Sexual Reproductive Health Rights Advocate and Founder, Center for Young Women Empowerment | MODERATOR: Crystal Lander, Director of Advocacy, Living Goods

Pitch Challenge: Innovative Solutions for Stronger Communities

10:30AM-12:30PM | PAVILLION

JUDGES: Magnus Conteh, Executive Director, Community Health Academy; Marloes Kibucha, Co-Founder and Operations Director, Africa Health Business Ltd.; Josh Kraus, Business Strategy Manager, Health, Accenture; Rose Njiraini, Community Health Specialist, UNICEF; Dr. Salim Hussein, Head of Community Health and Development Unit, Ministry of Health Kenya

Presentations of prospective projects with innovation solutions to community health challenges and have a chance to win seed funding.

TOP 5 Finalists:

- **Wote Youth Development Projects from Kenya**
- **Girl Power from Kenya**
- **Health Access Connect from Uganda**
- **DEVIE Team Rwanda from Rwanda**
- **PaRENT, global**

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Community Health Worker Assessment and Improvement Matrix (CHW AIM): Updated Program Functionality Matrix for Optimizing community Health Programs

PRESENTERS: Madeleine Beebe, Muso; Crystal Lander, Living Goods; Julius Mbeya, Lwala Community Alliance | MODERATOR: Madeleine Ballard, Community Health Impact Coalition

To support the operationalization of quality CHW program design and implementation, USAID, UNICEF, the Community Health Impact Coalition, and Initiatives Inc. have updated and adapted the Community Health Worker Assessment and Improvement Matrix (CHW AIM) Program Functionality Matrix. This tool can be used to identify design and implementation gaps in both small and national-scale CHW programs, and close gaps in policy and practice. Come measure your program against best practice and link with others around a shared mission of improving quality of care.

LPZ ROOM 1

Strategic Partnering to Improve Community Health Worker Programming and Performance: Features of a Community Health System Integrated Approach

PRESENTERS: Medhin Tsehaiu, UNAIDS; Patrick Malachi, Micro-Justice Kenya; Angela Gichaga, Financing Alliance for Health; Christine Kisia, WHO Kenya; Judy Macharia, Ministry of Health Kenya | MODERATOR: Elizabeth Wala, Amref Health Africa

This innovative, participatory session will include expert perspectives on approaches for operationalizing the recommendations outlined in the WHO CHW Guideline while following the HRH2030 Life Cycle approach. Key questions will be discussed, such as:

- What is the first and most critical action country leaders should be taking now to implement the WHO CHW Guideline recommendations?
- To build the future community health workforce, what is the most important partnership to ensure we train the right CHWs in the right health areas?
- To effectively manage and support CHWs, what is the #1 priority to create a better system to manage and support newly recognized CHWs?
- What is the most important consideration for optimizing the role of CHWs within health systems to make them more accessible, accountable, affordable, and reliable?
- What is the most important innovation needed to shape and sustain the role of CHWs in health systems by 2030 and beyond?

Presenters will also reflect upon and cite examples from CHW program strengthening activities and results, as well as encouraged participants to share their perspectives!

LPZ ROOM 2

Improving Quality of MNH/Family Planning in Sub-Saharan Africa

PRESENTERS: Wangui Muthigani, Ministry of Health Kenya; Angela Nguku, White Ribbon Alliance Kenya | MODERATOR: Charity Ndwiga, Population Council

Quality and respect are increasingly recognized as critical aspects of the provision of health care, and poor quality may be an important driver of low health care utilization, especially for maternal and neonatal care. The recent report from the Lancet Global Health Commission on High Quality Health Systems suggests that improving facility-based care for all patients can avert a large proportion of mortality and morbidity. Unequal levels of quality may increase inequity, as those who need services most, may be receiving poor quality care, or may be denied care. Important formative work has been conducted in Kenya, and interventions to address disrespect and abuse have been developed and tested in Kenya as well. Many of the potential solutions for improving quality of care and reducing mistreatment of women involve substantial roles for family members and community leaders, including building stronger linkages between community members and health care workers. Building mechanisms for community members to co-design strategies and hold facilities and policymakers accountable strengthens all of these strategies. Current efforts are underway to measure drivers and types of mistreatment, interventions to address the problems, and sustainable ways to provide family-centered and community-engaged care.

This session aims to raise awareness of the issue of mistreatment of women and their families during childbirth and the postpartum period and to share new evidence generated in Kenya on strategies for improving quality and respectful care, including those related to community engagement and family-centered care. The session will also solicit feedback from participants on effective elements of interventions to address the problem of mistreatment of patients by the health system from audience members, who represent a range of stakeholders. Finally, the session will gather ideas for more community involvement in design and evaluation of quality improvement initiatives which will be used for future research topics and interventions and program implementation.

SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

MT KENYA C

Using mHealth and Data Technologies to Support a New Model of Community Health Care - Case of Medic Mobile in Kenya

PRESENTERS: Angella Akolla, World Vision International; Teddy Nakyanzi, World Vision International |

MODERATOR: Brian Ssennoga, Medic Mobile

Community Health Workers hold great potential in advancing progress towards the health Sustainable Development Goals by expanding essential health services for Universal Health Coverage. As such, a number of countries especially across the low resource context have invested in institutionalizing CHWs including working with partners to have these trained and equipped with relevant tools. In Uganda, CHWs act as a linkage between health facilities and communities, promoting primary health care through home visits, community dialogues and referrals among others. In spite of this, there is a lack of accountability and effectiveness towards health services delivered by CHWs at community level. This is a hindrance towards improving health outcomes at the community level. To address this, Medic Mobile has over the years integrated mobile technology in community health as a bold step towards accelerating effectiveness for the efforts delivered by CHWs. Through its Community Health Toolkit designed using the Human Centered approach, CHWs are able to systematically track outbreaks, treat illnesses door-to-door, manage stock of essential medicines, conduct referrals among others. This is proven across a number of Medic mobile supported deployments across Africa and Asia, generating community data for decision making. An additional bid to strengthen community health has led to amplifying the use of data generated by CHWs for accountability while generating evidence based actionable plans for leapfrogging universal health coverage. World Vision has clearly demonstrated this in one of its ongoing RMNCH projects across Busia district aimed at reduction of maternal and child deaths. In this project, CHWs designated as peer mentors use performance monitoring data to coach individual CHWs on areas that need improvement. Additionally, community data on health indicators is discussed by CHWs and other key community stakeholders generating informed actions to address struggling outcomes. This has greatly contributed to acceleration of RMNCH outcomes.

MT KENYA D

Young Health Program Kenya: A Public-Private Partnership Tackling NCD Risk Factors Among Young People (10 - 24 years) in Kibera Slums, Nairobi, Kenya

PRESENTERS: Danor Ajwang, Young Health Program, Plan International; Paul Odongo, Young Health Program, Plan International ; Dr. Sahra Mohamed, Ministry of Health Kenya | MODERATOR: Dr. Sylvia Vito, AstraZeneca

This session speaks to the objective of enabling stakeholders to share progress and identify solutions to persistent community health challenges. The Young Health Program Kenya seeks to demonstrate how peer education can be an effective behaviour change communication model, addressing NCD risk behaviours among young people. It illustrates how multisector collaboration is vital in mobilizing young people to meaningfully contribute towards achieving the UHC goals. The session further seeks to demonstrate the underutilized interest of the corporate sector, like AstraZeneca, in working with youth peer leaders to address the increasing burden of NCDs. By bringing Plan International and the local CSOs to the conference, the health workforce will have an opportunity to leverage civil society institutions' unique strength to mobilize political awareness and support for NCD prevention and control. CSOs contribute significantly to capacity-building at the local community level – case study of YHP engaging peer educators to sensitize young people in and out of schools on the NCD risk factors. With AstraZeneca actively involved in the implementation of YHP in Kenya, we demonstrate how the private sector can make a decisively important contribution to addressing NCD prevention challenges. WHO already challenges companies to work closely with governments and CSOs to promote healthy lifestyles and implement action to promote healthy diet. Companies should also adopt and strengthen programmes to improve the health and well-being of their employees through workplace health promotion and specific NCD prevention schemes. AstraZeneca, by involving their staff in YHP, is leading the way on this important ambition.

WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER

Closing Plenary: The Power of Three: Leverage, Link and Learn **3:30PM-5:00PM | PAVILLION**

PANELISTS: Dr. Diana Nambatya, Deputy Country Director, Community Health Partnerships, Living Goods; Dr. Elizabeth Wala, Program Director, Health Systems Strengthening, Amref Health Africa; Angela Nguku, Executive Director, White Ribbon Alliance Kenya; Dr. Mohamed Sheikh, Official, Ministry of Health Kenya; Eric Angula, Head of Strategy & Partnerships, Global Health Africa, Medtronic Foundation | MODERATOR: Mercy Juma, Broadcast Journalist, BBC Africa

NOTES

MY GHPC KENYA

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My key takeaways:

**Coming away from GHPC Kenya,
my immediate next steps at work
are:**

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