



MACIS

Presentation at Fresh Air National Malaria workshop

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Mission

To provide leadership to CSOs nation wide in coordination and promotion of Ministry of Health-recommended interventions in malaria and childhood illnesses and advocacy for appropriate policies at all levels.



Who Are We ?

- Secretariat that coordinates a Network of 70+ CSOs engaged in malaria and child health
- Formed in 2003 by NGOs with support from Ministry of health, WHO, UNICEF
- Initial financial support from USAID through CORE Group
- Hosted by AMREF



Strategic objectives

- To create an effective decentralized nationwide network of CSOs engaged in malaria and IMCI interventions at community level
- To build internal capacity for an effective Secretariat
- To improve effectiveness of members' activities through capacity building coordination and information sharing
- To build a platform for advocacy at all levels

Board Members



Africare



Achievements to date -1

- Strong linkages nationally (MOH); CSO representative as Vice Chair on Health Policy Advisory Committee
- Representation of CSOs at international forum like; GFATM Board CSO delegation, RBM/EARN
- Regular dissemination of policy and technical updates to CSO

Achievements -2

- Coordinating fora for information sharing by CSOs
- Minimal linkage of CBOs for strategic collaboratives
- Identification of a few District lead CBO partners 'MACIS' Nodes'

Challenges

- Slow progress in obtaining optimal funding
 - understaffing - over stretched staff
- Meeting the needs of a diverse group of CSOs
 - capacity issues especially with CBOs
- Some competition among CSOs and laxity to collaborate

Next Steps

Full implementation of strategic plan:

- Building capacity for MACIS; fundraising – appeal for more involvement by partners
 - payment of membership fees
 - joint proposals
- Strengthening coordination with Ministry of Health (NMCP, HPAC, Health Promotion Dept., Child health department etc)
- Creation of more district Lead partners (Nodes)
- Streamline coordination with existing CSO networks

Theme of the workshop

“.....Counting Malaria Out in Partnership with CSOs”

Purpose of the Workshop

To strengthen the role of CSOs by increasing their technical capacity as to contribute towards the goal of the NMCP of controlling and preventing malaria morbidity/mortality in the country

Specific Objectives

- **Providing technical updates on malaria control in Uganda**
- **Allowing CSOs to share experiences on their malaria activities**
- **Identifying gaps in coverage of services and propose pragmatic options to fill these gaps**
- **Providing opportunity for partners to network and collaborate for improved malaria control services**

Appreciation

- Our Partners
- Planning committee
- Ministry of Health
 - NMCP
 - HP &E
- UNICEF
- WHO (Uganda)
- USAID
- CORE Group
- PAMU Consults (U) Ltd
- Admin Support Team



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