

Health Care Financing – Progress of HSSP III HCF Strategy

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Overview

- Background
- Strategic Objectives and Implementation
- Future Plans

Background

- HSSP II number of success
 - Government consistently prioritise health sector
 - Per capita increase from 5.8 (2004) to 9 (2007) - us\$
 - Total cost 8.9 B us\$
 - Gap 2.1 B us \$

Strategic Objectives and Activities

1. Reduce the budget gap by mobilizing adequate and sustainable financial resources
 - Health budget to reach 15% of GOT budget -
 - Currently 12%
 - Increased in absolute amounts
 - Need to consider other social determinants for health
 - ✓ Health Basket Fund increased - from \$79M to \$83M



Progress on Health Financing Strategy

- Contract for UDSM now signed
- TORs for Costing Study finalized
- Background work being undertaken by Abt Associates, funded through USAID has been done
- Inception report received
- Robust consultative process needed involving all stakeholders

Strategic Objectives.....

2. Enhance complementary financing, increasing the share in the total health budget to 10% by 2015

- Prepayment scheme coverage (CHF/TIKA, NHIF) increased

- Currently 12.4 % of the total population

- NHIF= 5.8% ; CHF 6.6%

Strategic Objectives.....

- 45⁰% of the total population by 2015
 - NHIF (2009/2010) Tsh 20.1 bn/=
 - CHF. 1.08 bn/= to 23 Councils out of 34 applications received.



Strategic Objectives.....

3. Improve equity of access to health services

- Cost sharing Guideline has been reviewed
- NHIF - retirees over 60 are cared for, all 60 and above are exempted
- Strong linkage needed with HF Strategy



Strategic Objectives.....

4. Increase efficiency and effectiveness in use of financial resources

- ✓ Government budgeting, accounting and auditing processes are implemented in a transparent way

The Ministry involved stakeholders in each step of budgeting, It also received inputs from partners

Strategic Objectives.....

MOHSW and PMORALG provide income and expenditure reports of HBF twice a year and regularly presents and discuss the update on audit issues related to the health BF to Sub audit committee meetings

4. Management of Complementary Funds

- CAG Performance Audit highlighted issues:
 - Most of the HCs are hardly involved in the preparation of the Councils' planning.



Strategic Objectives.....

5. Use of Financial Resources

- Overall financial audits are improving,
- Challenge of un spent funds at the council level



Future Plans

A. Sustainable Resources

- Abuja Target
 - Government to continue prioritize health sector
 - Consider external financing explicitly
- Completion of Health Financing Strategy
 - Paper completed and distributed - July, 2011
 - Consensus conference - September, 2011 (JAHSR)



Future Plans (II)

B. Complementary Financing (pre-payment)

- Regular reporting on the progress of the linkage between NHIF and CHF
 - Quarterly reporting and regular sharing of information during HFCWG
- Discussion paper on regulatory mechanisms
 - Paper completed and distributed - January, 2011
 - Consensus conference - March, 2011
 - Government decision - June, 2011



Future Plans (III)

C. Equity of Access

- Cost sharing policy review to be completed
 - Linked with costing work and HF Strategy
- Prepayment discussion to be part of HFS
- Expansion of coverage of pre payment schemes



Future Plans (IV)

D. Management of Complementary Funds

- After completion of the Cost Sharing Guideline - dissemination
- HC planning template is out - expected tot will train HC



Future Plans (v)

E. Use of Financial Resources

- Response/action plan for CAG audit
- Discussion of governance and accountability issues and potential solutions
 - March 2011

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