Kenya Country Countdown
Why? What? How? Progress to-date

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Kenya not on track to meet MDG 4…

Source: Countdown 2013 report
Or MDG 5 by 2015

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Why Kenya Country Countdown now?

A context for renewed action:

- Devolution of decision-making to county level
- New Constitution and ‘Vision 2030’ development framework prioritize RMNCH
- New president’s key ‘100 days’ priority: maternal health
- Regional and global attention – Global Strategy/Every Woman Every Child, CARMMA, etc.
- Support from global Countdown
Links with review/planning process

Devolved ‘Annual Operating Plans’ (AOPs) to be developed at national and county levels

- Countdown will provide better data for national and county priority-setting
- Countdown will help identify gaps in county-level data
- Process will include participants from multiple levels and sectors
Fostering greater accountability

Accountability opportunities at national and county levels – new emphases on:

• Budget transparency
• Equitable provision of services

To use these opportunities, data needed on:

• Health outcomes
• Coverage of key RMNCH services
• Budget allocations and delivery of funds
• Service utilization/demand
Key activities for a Kenya Countdown

Activity 1: Convene and coordinate a National Steering Committee

Activity 2: Review Kenyan policy/strategy commitments to RMNCH

Activity 3: Produce a customized Kenya Country Profile and county profiles

Activity 4: Convene a national Countdown conference

Activity 5: Develop action plans and advocacy messages and materials

Activity 6: Disseminate messages and results
Progress to date

- Engagement with the MOH, UN agencies, academia, and key CSOs
- Committees in place
  - Management Committee – led by MOH
  - Scientific Committee – led by MOH
- Identification of indicators underway
- Work plan under development
- Support and guidance from Global Countdown
Program action cycle

1. **Collect and analyze data and assess system gaps and opportunities**
2. **Prioritize and plan using data, identify resource gaps, equity gaps**
3. **Policy change, program, implementation**
4. **Track progress for coverage and equity, inputs and outcomes**

ACCOUNTABILITY

ADVOCACY
Challenges and opportunities

- Many global initiatives and tools
- New devolved governance structures
- Political settling
- We’ve never done this before