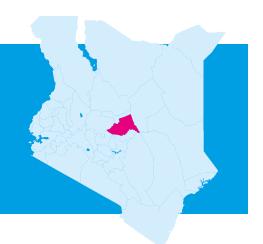
MERU COUNTY

Family planning budget analysis 2021/22





FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET ESTIMATE

The budget analysis conducted in November 2021 shows Meru County allocated KES. 2 million in the 2021/22 PBB towards FP and RMNCAH interventions. The County has sustained indirect family planning allocation* for the period 2018/19 to 2021/22 as follows:



To arrive at these estimates, our study examined the following documents: Budget Policy Statement (BPS), Programme Budget Estimates, County Implementation Reports, Budget Review and Outlook Papers, sector budget documents from the MoH¹, RHMSU², KNH³ and MTRH⁴.

^{*} Indirect allocation for family planning by County Governments was estimated per county based on workload statistics from the District Health Information System (DHIS) and subjected to county allocation to health. For FY 2021/22, the service utilisation statistics were unavailable and thus the rates used were recorded based on the average change between the preceding period. Then the weights were used to derive possible allocations for family planning.



KEY COUNTY STATISTICS



3.1 Total Fertility Rate¹



78.3% Contraceptive Prevalence Rate (any modern method)¹



19.9% Teenage Pregnancy⁵



51 Abortions per 1,000 women of reproductive age²



2.4% HIV prevalence⁷



11.1% Women 15-24 who had sexual intercourse before exact age 15⁸



37.5% Availability of Injectables (an average of progesterone only and combined injectables) from the sampled Health facility



100% IUCD availability
(as per sampled health facility KII)



66.6% Implant availability – average of 1 rod and 2 rod (as per sampled health facility KII)



50% Sampled health facility reported FP training conducted in the last 1 year



50% Sampled health facilities with designated FP and other ASRH services for the young people



50% FP supervisory visits done in sampled facility within the last 3 months





POLICY BASIS FOR FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET INVESTMENT

ICPD25 COMMITMENTS

In 2019, the Government of Kenya committed to:

- Eliminate teenage pregnancies, new adolescent and youth HIV infections and harmful practices such as child marriages while at the same time ensuring universal access to friendly quality reproductive health services and information to the youth and adolescents by 2030.
- Ensure universal access to quality reproductive health services, including prevention and management of GBV, in humanitarian and fragile contexts by 2030



INTERNATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING COMMITMENTS (FP2030)

The Government of Kenya made the following FP2030 commitments in 2021:

- Increase domestic financing for family planning commodities to cover 100% of the requirements (currently at USD 30M) by 2026,
- ▶ Increase mCPR (married women) from 58% in 2020 to 64% by 2030,
- Reduce unmet need for FP for all women from 14% in 2020 to 10% by 2030,
- Neduce unmet need by 10% points by 2030 by prioritising the underserved, vulnerable and hard-to-reach-populations, including young people,
- Reduce pregnancy among adolescent girls (15-19 years) from 14% to 10% by 2030,
- Health facilities offering youth-friendly services will increase from 10% to 30% by 2020 and 50% by 2025,
- Transform social and gender norms to improve male engagement in family planning and eliminate social-cultural barriers to family planning service utilisation.



RECOMMENDATIONS

- The County Government of Meru needs to honour Kenya's ICPD25 and FP2030 commitments by budgeting and financing 100% of Family Planning interventions in the next County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) 2023-2027.
- The County Government of Meru needs to have a family planning budget line in the annual budgets to
 enable realisation of Kenya's commitment on universal access to quality reproductive health services for all,
 amid shrinking donor funding.
- 3. The County Government of Meru need to invest in integrated youth friendly service provision, especially family planning.
- The County Government of Meru needs to invest in reducing unmet need for Family planning by prioritising the underserved, vulnerable and hard-to-reach-areas, including young people and PWDs.
- **5.** The County Government of Meru needs to **strengthen continuous monitoring**, **reporting and redistribution** of FP commodities, based on facility needs.

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