







DEVELOPING AND INTRODUCING NEW WOMAN-INITIATED CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS TO INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND CHOICE

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DEMOGRAPHIC SNAPSHOT



- Pop. 43.2 m. in 2013¹ (64% -below 24Yrs)
- Growth rate. 2.9%²
- Contraceptive Prev. Rate 46%²
- Total Fertility Rate 4.6²
- FP unmet needs 26%²
- HIV prev. 5.6 %³
- Unmet need for FP among HIV+-50%³
- MM Ratio 488/100,000 live births
- Skilled birth attendance- 44%²
- Mothers report receiving postnatal check-up after birth 47%²



LENYAN SITUATION ON CONTRACEPTIVE NEEDS

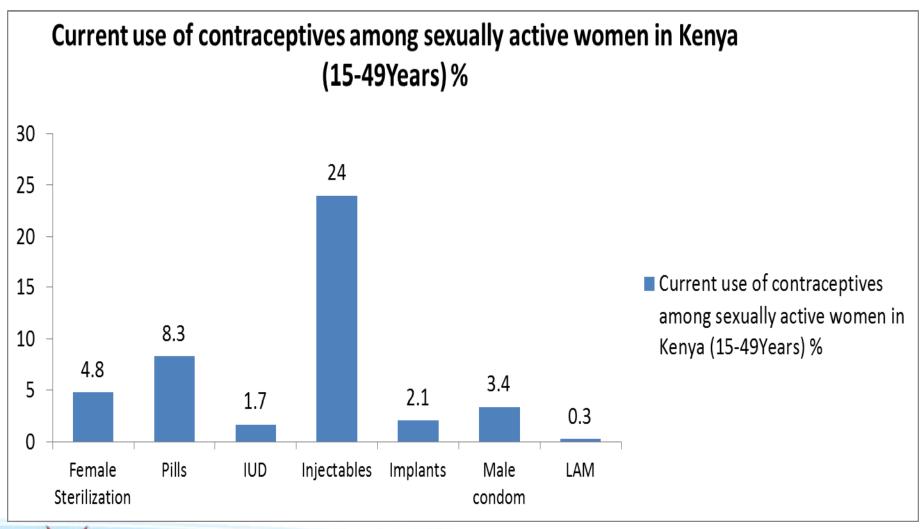


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- Repositioning of family planning in the national development agenda
- Policies to guide planning, standardization, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation of reproductive health care are in place
- ➤ A costed implementation plan for FP is in place (to improve CPR from 46 to 56% by 2015)
- > MOH operates over half of all health facilities around the country
 - √ 56% of women obtain a form of modern contraception from a public health facility
 - √ 36% from private health facilities and other sources such as mobile clinics,
 - √ 6% from community based-distributors, local shops, and friends and family



UPTAKE OF SELECTED FP METHODS





Gaps

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- ➤ Level of FP use in Postpartum period is low: 25% use a method vs 46% of general population
- ➤ Level of unmet need for family planning is more than twice as high among postpartum women (68%) compared to those in the general population (26%)
- ➤ Inadequate women-controlled contraceptives
- > Use of LAM is equally low with most women not meeting the recommended criteria
- ➤ Introduction of PCVR in Kenya is ongoing to expand method mix to breastfeeding mothers



NEXT STEPS

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Future uptake activities

- Share study results
 - Family Planning Technical Working Group
 - Study sites
 - Regulatory bodies for ethics and drugs
 - Other donors and providers supporting family planning services
- Ongoing in-country registration process with Pharmacy and Poisons Board with the help from Woman Care Global
- As we wait for the registration of PCVR we are discussing with the counties where we conducted the study to continue offering the ring (so as to keep the momentum)



QUOTE



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"Breastfeeding women in Kenya have very limited Family Planning options. With the introduction of PCVR, women will now have another alternative FP method to choose instead of relying only on Microlut"

Dr. Kigen Bartilol (Head, RMHSU- MOH, Kenya)

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THANK YOU

