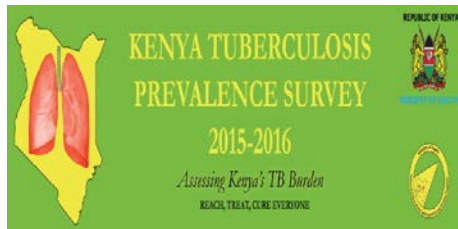


Tuberculosis Accelerated Response and Care (TB ARC)



Funding: \$40.5 million

Duration: June 2013 – 2018

Activity Locations: Nationwide with a focus on Mombasa, Nairobi, Homa Bay, Kisumu and Isiolo counties

Implementing Partner:
Centre for Health Solutions (CHS)

Key Partners:
Government of Kenya (Ministry of Health Division of TB & Leprosy Diseases); USG implementing partners (PATH, APHIAplus, AMREF); Private sector (Safaricom, Tangazoletu); CSO networks (ENGAGE)

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ACTIVITY OVERVIEW

Tuberculosis (TB) Accelerated Response and Care (ARC) capitalizes on Kenyan expertise and know-how to significantly reduce the burden of TB in Kenya by 2018. In close collaboration with Government of Kenya's health managers, the United States Agency of International Development (USAID) designed the TB ARC activity. Led by qualified Kenyan health professionals who bring local solutions to the Kenyan people through a Kenyan non-governmental organization, Center for Health Solutions (CHS),

Kenya has one of the highest TB prevalence rates in the world. The high burden of TB is linked to the high prevalence of HIV in Kenya. Co-infection of HIV and TB is common and greatly impacts the ability for patients to fight either disease. Poverty and limited access to health care services are two other major contributing factors to the high burden of TB in Kenya. TB ARC aims to increase the proportion of TB cases identified and treated to over 95 percent, which is a goal aligned to the health policies and targets set forth in Kenya's Vision 2030.

ACTIVITY GOALS

- Support TB and TB/HIV activities in 2,800 health facilities, 1,800 labs, 268 field-based TB coordinators in all 47 counties of Kenya.
- Support the National Tuberculosis Leprosy and Lung Disease Unit to provide leadership and coordination of TB services in Kenya
- Support development, implementation and scale-up of new program areas and interventions
- Provide technical assistance for the local adaptation and scale-up of globally proven TB interventions
- Support monitoring and evaluation of TB

ACTIVITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS (through July 2015)

- In July 2015 the MoH launched the first survey on TB prevalence since independence, last survey was in 1958-59
- 18,720 TB patients diagnosed and treatment started (TB/HIV co-infection averaged 33%)
- 158,548 adult cases notified since project inception (16,264 pediatric cases notified)
- 783 cases drug resistant TB notified since inception
- 82% TB treatment success rate overall; 15 counties had a cure rate below the national average