



Participants at the joint NTLD-P-P/ TBARC II work-plan development workshop held in November 2018. Photo/USAID

KENYA

KENYA TUBERCULOSIS ACCELERATED RESPONSE AND CARE

The Tuberculosis Accelerated Response and Care II (TB ARC II) supports Kenya's National Tuberculosis Leprosy Diseases Program (NTLD-P) in reducing the incidence and number of deaths due to TB in Kenya.

OUR WORK

The TB ARC II activity aims to improve TB case finding through active case finding initiatives in all counties, promote access to high quality patient-centered, TB, DR-TB and TB/HIV services; prevent TB transmission and disease progression, strengthen TB service delivery platforms & accelerate research and innovation with the ultimate goal of decreasing incidence & TB related morbidity, and mortality in line with the 90-95-0 targets to End the TB epidemic.

Through the TBARC II activity, CHS supports the National Tuberculosis, Leprosy and Lund Disease Program (NTLD-P) towards national level coordination, policy formulation, rapid scale-up of key interventions, and sustainable TB control initiatives. CHS has additionally developed strategic partnerships with The International Union against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (UNION), an international scientific organization to provide technical expertise for capacity building and operations research; Population Services-Kenya (PS Kenya), to create TB awareness and support private sector initiatives; The Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics (FIND), an international organization to

support diagnostic initiatives; the STOP TB Partnership – Kenya for TB advocacy & multi-sectoral engagement of communities and leadership; and KANCO for the engagement of the Informal Service Providers in TB Control.

TB ARC II advocates for county-led implementation, strong health leadership and governance, and support for the National Strategic Plan 2019-2023, with a specific focus on bold policy frameworks, adequate resource allocation and management, patient-centered initiatives, as well as social protection for all people with TB.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Since September 21, 2018 TBARC II has:

- Worked collaboratively with NTLD-P to support counties to implement various TB control activities. In 2018, 93 283 cases were notified of whom 11 percent were children.
- Undertaken a joint TB ARC II/NTLD-P work-planning exercise with an aim of improving operational efficiency.
 The TBARC II year one work-plan was aligned to the NSP 2019-2023 as well as NTLD-P priority areas
- Engaged our partners; FIND, the UNION, Population Services Kenya, KANCO and STP-Kenya for diverse technical expertise that these partners bring in TB control.
- Supported 47 counties towards Support Supervision and to offer technical assistance to TB treatment sites in their counties. In the quarter, 77 percent of all health facilities were supervised at least once a month.
- Offered technical support to the focus high TB burden counties where TB ARC II has regional presence; including Meru, Isiolo, Tharaka Nithi, Mombasa, Kwale, Kilifi, Homa Bay, Migori, Nyamira and Nairobi.
- Supported sample transport from health facilities to the national TB reference lab. In the quarter, Oct-Dec 2018, 4200 health facilities were supported.
- Supported DRTB clinical review team meetings in Nairobi, Mombasa, Meru and Isiolo counties
- Participated in planning logistics towards World TB day 2019, in collaboration with the NTLD-P and other stakeholders.

BUDGET: \$34,933,017

DURATION

2018 - 2023

ACTIVITY LOCATIONS

All 47 counties in Kenya Regional Offices: Nairobi, Mombasa, Homabay, Meru

KEY PARTNERS

National Tuberculosis, Leprosy and Lung Disease Program (NTLD-P) Kenya AIDS NGO Consortium (KANCO) Population Services Kenya(PS Kenya) The Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics(FIND) The International Union against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (UNION) Stop TB Partnership-Kenya

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