

# ESSENTIAL PACKAGE OF HEALTH SERVICES COUNTRY SNAPSHOT: TANZANIA

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## **ACRONYMS**

**EPHS** Essential package of health services

**NEHCIP-Tz** National Essential Health Care Interventions Package-Tz

**RMNCH** Reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health

# ABOUT THE ESSENTIAL PACKAGE OF HEALTH SERVICES COUNTRY SNAPSHOT SERIES

An Essential Package of Health Services (EPHS) can be defined as the package of services that the government is providing or is aspiring to provide to its citizens in an equitable manner. Essential packages are often expected to achieve multiple goals: improved efficiency, equity, political empowerment, accountability, and altogether more effective care. There is no universal essential package of health services that applies to every country in the world, nor is it expected that all health expenditures in any given country be directed toward provision of that package. Countries vary with respect to disease burden, level of poverty and inequality, moral code, social preferences, operational challenges, financial challenges, and more, and a country's EPHS should reflect those factors.

This country snapshot is one in a series of 24 snapshots produced by the Health Finance & Governance Project as part of an activity looking at the Governance Dimensions of Essential Package of Health Services in the Ending Preventable Child and Maternal Death priority countries. The snapshot explores several important dimensions of the EPHS in the country, such as how government policies contribute to the service coverage, population coverage, and financial coverage of the package. The information presented in this country snapshot feeds into a larger cross-country comparative analysis undertaken by the Health Finance & Governance Project to identify broader themes related to how countries use an EPHS and related policies and programs to improve health service delivery and health outcomes.

Each country snapshot includes annexes that contain further information about the EPHS. When available, this includes the country's most recently published package; a comparison of the country's package to the list of priority reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health interventions developed by the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health in 2011 (PMNCH 2011), and a profile of health equity in the country.



# THE ESSENTIAL PACKAGE OF HEALTH SERVICES (EPHS) IN TANZANIA

The government of Tanzania first created and published an EPHS in 2000, called the National Health Care Intervention Package or the National Package of Essential Health Interventions. In subsequent years, the 13 areas/programs under the Ministry of Health created area-specific packages that went beyond the more general descriptions under the National Health Care Intervention Package. In the government's Health Sector Strategic Plan III, the government acknowledged that the comprehensive National Package of Essential Health Interventions could not be fully provided because of funding and other health systems constraints. In this policy document, the government committed to revising and costing an essential health package.

The government published a revision of the EPHS in 2013, calling it the *National Essential Health Care Interventions Package-Tanzania* (*NEHCIP-Tz*). The document intends to consolidate the information from the various area-specific packages as well as update the package to reflect new knowledge. The document aims "to concentrate scarce resources on interventions which provide the best 'value for money' thus achieving the following goals: improved efficiency; equity; political empowerment, accountability, and altogether more effective care."

The document states that it should be used in conjunction with the list of services included in Annex 2 of the National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008–2015. The relevant selections from both documents are included in Annex A of this country snapshot.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note, a 2013 report funded by United States Agency for International Development and GIZ made recommendations to the Government of Tanzania for further paring down and prioritizing services from the NEHCIP-Tz to create a costed and realistic "minimum benefit package" that the government could scale up progressively over time towards achievement of universal health care coverage in the country (Ngowi et al. 2013).

## Priority Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Interventions

To see a comparison of Tanzania's EPHS and the priority reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health (RMNCH) interventions (PMNCH 2011), refer to Annex B.

Status of Service in EPHS	Status Definition	# of Services
Included	The literature on the essential package specifically mentioned that this service was included.	47
Explicitly Excluded	The literature on the essential package specifically mentioned that this service was not included.	1
Implicitly Excluded	This service was not specifically mentioned, and is not clinically relevant to one of the high-level groups of services included in the essential package.	2
Unspecified	The literature on the essential package did not specifically mention this service, but this service is clinically relevant to one of the high-level groups of services included in the essential package.	10

The following three priority RMNCH interventions are excluded from Tanzania's EPHS:

### **Explicitly excluded:**

▶ Vitamin A supplementation from six months of age

#### Implicitly excluded:

- ▶ Home visits for women and children across the continuum of care
- Women's groups

## **Use of Selected Priority Services**

The table below presents the country's data on common indicators.

Indicator	Year	Value	Urban Value	Rural Value
Pregnant women sleeping under insecticide-treated nets (%)	2010		46.7	59.3
Births attended by skilled health personnel (in the five years preceding the survey) (%)	2010		83	42.3
BCG immunization coverage among one-year-olds (%)	2013	99		
Diphtheria tetanus toxoid and pertussis (DTP3) immunization coverage among one-year-olds (%)	2013	91		
Median availability of selected generic medicines (%)—private	2004	47.9		
Median availability of selected generic medicines (%)—public	2004	23.4		

Source: Global Health Observatory, World Health Organization.

## How the Health System Delivers the EPHS

RMNCH services from the EPHS are delivered through:

- government-sponsored community health workers
- public sector primary care facilities
- public sector referral facilities

The National Health Service delivery structure consists of community level, clinics, public health units, health centers, regional referral hospitals and national referral hospitals. Clinics and the public health units interface with the community, which the government describes as an interface that is well operationalized through outreach services as well as through the Rural Health Motivators program.

The EPHS takes the approach of client-oriented delivery models so as to better integrate different areas of health services relevant for the specific patient. The document also identifies the services to be provided at each delivery level, and outlined intervention components and inputs (Ministry of Health and Social Welfare 2013b).

The TEHCIP-Tz document states that all health facilities and community structures must prioritize implementation of the EPHS, and that the government shall appropriately fund the public facilities and build their capacity to provide the NEHCIP-Tz. The document also states that private health facilities should also provide the NEHCIP-Tz to the population if the private facility has a funding contract with the government. The document specifies that the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare at the national and regional levels shall establish mechanisms to ensure regular supervision and monitoring of the provision of the NEHCIP-Tz in both public and private sectors. To this end, the ministry established a Quality Assurance program.

## Delivering the EPHS to Different Population Groups

The government's strategy for implementing the EPHS includes specific activities to improve equity of access for specific populations; these include:

- √ women,
- ✓ the indigent, and
- rural populations.

See Annex C for the World Health Organization's full health equity profile of Tanzania based on data from a 2010 Demographic and Health Survey.

Key findings from the health equity profile include:

- Nearly 100 percent of the eligible population receives at least one antenatal care service, with very little difference across wealth quintiles, education level, and place of residence. However, coverage of births attended by skilled health personnel is strongly associated with these three factors.
- Immunization coverage is also quite high and relatively equitable across wealth and education levels. Rural populations have slightly lower coverage than urban populations.
- Urban residence may be a determinant of health-seeking behavior, as 86 percent of children in urban areas with acute respiratory symptoms are taken to a health facility compared to only 65 percent in rural areas.



The government explicitly discusses equity of the EPHS in the *TEHCIP-Tz*. The government considers the following groups to be vulnerable: poor people, women, children, orphans, people with disabilities and the elderly, persons living in hard to staff/serve areas, and displaced persons (including refugees and persons displaced due to natural disasters).

Per the TEHCIP-Tz, in order to address the needs of vulnerable groups the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare and stakeholders will:

- continue conducting outreach/mobile clinics in order to reach hard-to-serve populations; and
- consider the construction of new health facilities in underserved areas, taking into consideration issues of access by vulnerable groups.

The Ministry of Health and Social Welfare and stakeholders will also conduct sensitization meetings in communities in order to create awareness about available services and the need for these special groups to access them.

## Providing Financial Protection for the EPHS

- ✓ The government sponsors health insurance for civil servants.
- ✓ The government sponsors or regulates health insurance for nongovernmental formal sector employees.
- The government sponsors health insurance for informal sector employees (through a national insurance fund, through subsidies to community-based health insurance, etc.).
- Community-based insurance is available in parts or all of the country.

Per the cost-sharing policy implemented in the health sector in 1993, households must either make out-of-pocket payments for health services or obtain insurance. This is also true in facilities run by faith-based organizations and the private sector (Ministry of Health and Social Welfare 2013b). The government has introduced exemptions and waivers to reduce the financial burden on poor households. The waiver system is reportedly not working well in practice. It is ineffective due to the poor not gaining access to intended waivers, due to either lack of information or denial of the waiver by a provider. Waived patients also reportedly face stigmatization and other disadvantages while attending health services compared to people who pay for services (Ministry of Health and Social Welfare 2013a).

The National Health Insurance Fund, which covers civil servants and formal sector employees, is the largest insurer in Tanzania, with around 2.5 million beneficiaries. Community Health Funds and their city equivalent TibaKwaKadi provide basic health insurance coverage to low- income households. Covering 593,643 households as of 2012, the schemes provide health insurance coverage to 3.8m beneficiaries. The scheme covers people working in the informal sector, who voluntarily enroll. Enrollee premiums and government subsidies finance the schemes. Private Health Insurance was estimated to have about 450,000 beneficiaries in 2013, accounting for approximately 1 percent of the population. Finally, voluntary Community-Based Health Insurance Schemes stemming from nongovernmental organizations and donor-funded pilot projects cover an additional 1 percent of the population in the informal sector (GTZ 2013). Financial protection for the EPHS through health insurance is not universal at this time.

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## ANNEX A. TANZANIA'S EPHS

## THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



## MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE

## NATIONAL ESSENTIAL HEALTH CARE

INTERVENTIONS PACKAGE – TANZANIA

(NEHCIP – Tz)

 Table 1
 Age Groups for interventions

Age group	Intervention	Source of Service	Remarks
(years)			
0 -5 years	New-born Care and Neonatal conditions	-Community	Exceptional cases have not
	Prevention and Management of Immunisable Diseases	-Health centre	been considered e.g. girls
	Prevention and Management of Childhood Illness	-Hospital	getting pregnant at 6 years!
	HIV/AIDS and STD Diagnosis and Management		
	Information, Education and Communication		
	Gender-Based Violence (GBV)/VAC		
	-Nutrition Care		
6-14 years	-Information, Education and Communication	-Community	Exceptional cases have not
	-HIV/AIDS and STD Diagnosis and Management	-Health centre	been considered e.g. girls
	-Prevention and Management of Childhood Illness	-Hospital	getting pregnant at 6 years!
	-Gender-Based Violence (GBV)/VAC		
	-Nutrition Care		
15 – 49 years	-Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health	-Community	
	-Information, Education and Communication	-Health centre	
	-Antenatal Care	-Hospital	
	-Care During Childbirth		
	-Care of Obstetric Emergencies		
	-New-born Care		
	-Postpartum Care		
	-Post-abortion Care		
	-Family Planning		
	-HIV/AIDS and STD Diagnosis and Management		

Age group	Intervention	Source of Service	Remarks
(years)			
	-Prevention and Management of Infertility		
	-Prevention and Management of Reproductive Cancer		
	-Gender-Based Violence (GBV)/VAC		
	-Nutrition Care		
≥50	-Information, Education and Communication	-Community	
	-HIV/AIDS and STD Diagnosis and Management-	-Health centre	
	Reproductive Health of the Elderly	-Hospital	
	-Prevention and Management of Reproductive Cancer		
	-Gender-Based Violence (GBV)		
	-Nutrition Care		

In each of the eighteen sub-sections of the intervention in the RMNCH, specific details are given and then further information is provided which defines the point of delivery and what must be done.

The age group division in not water tight. It flows and does interdigitate with each other. See Figure 4.

Figure 4 The Continuum of Care



 Table 2
 The Continuum of Care

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
Pre-pregnancy (Adolescent girls and women of child bearing age	-Youth friendly services -Family planning -Folic acid -Iron tablets -Tetanus toxoid -Prevention, care and treatment of HIV/AIDS	-IEC on sexual and reproductive health (including all the aspects of sexuality before pregnancy, during pregnancy, at the times of giving birth, postpartum, new-born, infancy and maternal health,	-provision of safe abortion services, family planning, HIV/STIs screening services and health education	-Services linked to a health delivery system providing continuity with components of S&RH	-Community level  Dispensary and Health Centre levels  District Hospitals  -When special S&RH needs can be managed appropriately
Pregnancy	-Essential preventive and promotive care in pregnancy including PMTC -Management of complications during pregnancy	-Tetanus, anaemia and syphilis prevention -Increased uptake	- Provides opportunities for preventing malaria -Pregnancy care improves uptake of IPT and ITNs	Skilled health professionals  -Essential medicines and medical devices  -Services linked to a health delivery system providing continuity with childbirth and	Community level  -Dispensary and Health Centres,  -Referral facility

least 4 ANC visits for normal pregnancies, including one visit within the	-Confirmation of pregnancy -Monitoring of progress of pregnancy and assessment	-Increases safety for pregnant women and their babies in the process of labour	Available, accessible and acceptable	postnatal care	-Community
pregnancy -C bi	of maternal foetal well-being -Counseling on nutrition, breastfeeding, healthy life style -Screen of protein and anaemia including blood	-Early detection and timely management of complications reduces maternal and perinatal morbidity and mortality	-Health facilities provide 24 hours/7 days a week services -Essential medicines and medical devices -Referral systems -Recording systems -Regular maternal and perinatal death reviews at health		-Dispensary and Health Centres, -Referral facility Community -Dispensary and Health Centres, -Referral facility
gr -I -I tr	groups -Deworming -Identification and treatment of bacteriuria -Identification of treatment of problems complicating		reviews at health facility level to improve care		

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
	bleeding, malpresentation, multiple pregnancy -Assessment of female genital mutilation				
Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights	-Include male youths and adult men in the training of S RH&R -Health services are user friendly in S&RH service delivery	-Decisions on S&RH are easily made since both men and woman are equal partners -Family planning enhanced in acceptability	Increased uptake of health services across the spectrum	-Services linked to a health delivery system providing continuity with components of S&RH	-Community -Dispensary and Health Centres, -Referral facility
New-born Care	-Essential preventive interventions for the healthy new-born infant -Early identification and management of new-born problems e.g. care of premature born or low birth weight infants	-Can reduce more than half of neonatal mortality when universally applied -Ensures a good start to life with practices and protections important for health, growth and development later in life.	services organised to ensure sustainable availability, accessibility and acceptability to all mothers -skilled human resources available and of the right mix -trained community	-Skilled health professionals  -Essential medicines and medical devices  -Services linked to a health delivery system providing continuity with childbirth and	All health facilities where mothers deliver

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
Postpartum Care	-Essential promotive and preventive care following delivery (24 hours – 6 weeks)  -Early identification and appropriate management of complications  -Family planning  -Care and counselling for HIV positive mothers  -Support for breastfeeding	- Reduces maternal morbidity an mortality -Improves maternal and infant health by advocacy of child spacing	health workers  -a health care financing system  -Services for all women in the service area are acceptable, accessible and available  -Quality post-partum care services are provided to all women by skilled health workers  -24 hour services are provided  -Essential drugs and medical devices  -A functional referral	post-natal care	At community level  -IEC plus counselling on self care at home, nutrition, safe sex, breastfeeding, family planning  -safe disposal/washing of pads  -Resting and a reduced workload to the mother  -Prevention and management of malaria  -Signs of domestic and sexual violence and referral recognised
			system -A functional		-Women living with HIV/AIDS including ART are supported

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
			recording system		-Births and deaths are reported and recorded
					-Insecticide treated bed nets are used
					Dispensaries and Health Centres
					-all the above plus
					-complications prevented and/or detected
					-Management of anaemia
					-Provision of contraceptive methods
					Referral Facility Care
					-all the above
					-Treatment of all
					complications e.g. severe anaemia, severe post-
					partum bleeding, severe post-partum infections, severe post-partum

Targeted SRH	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
Family Planning	-Family planning services integrate preventive and curative sexual and reproductive health issues	-population growth controlled - Has potential to decrease	-consistent availability and access of contraceptive	-FP services offered as a package of PHCs	depression -tubal ligation -contraceptive implants  Community level -Men, women and families offered IEC on FP
	-Appropriate education and counselling inform contraception decision making  -Available and accessible contraceptive supplies  -Family planning within integrated primary health care including the prevention and care for STI/HIV, cancer of cervix and breast	unwanted pregnancies by 71%  -80% of HIV sexual transmission averted and consistent condom use  -gender equity promoted and women and  Families are empowered	supplies  -Family planning mainstreamed in primary health care  -community health workers provided with proper family planning training and supervision  -quality and good mix of skilled health workers	-availability of right mix of contraceptive drugs	-All access S&RH services -Awareness of signs of domestic violence  Health Centres
HIV/AIDS and STD Diagnosis	-PMTCT	-Reduction of infected babies born out of HIV	-services organised to ensure sustainable	-services mainstreamed to	

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
and Management	-STI and Reproductive Tract Infections  Male circumcision  -HIV testing and counselling  -Workplace intervention  -Youth friendly services  -positive prevention  -ART/care and treatment  -TB/HIV collaborative programme  -Cervical cancer screening  -DNA PCR diagnosis for infants  -safe blood  -Community Home based care	positive mothers  -Increased uptake of ARV  -Increased awareness of HIV and ways of transmission  -Increased use of safer sex practices	availability, accessibility and acceptability to all men and women  -services which are culturally sensitive and acceptable to communities  -skilled human resources available and of the right mix  -trained community health workers  -a health care financing system which sustains the programme	all health care services  -commodities available and accessible  -ART guaranteed availability all the time	

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
Reproductive Health of the Elderly	-IMAI  -IEC on nutritional needs of the elderly  -health services demands for elderly health needs	-healthy elderly populations -awareness of age-related needs	-health providers trained to cater for health needs of the sub-population	-availability and accessibility of services -mobile health services	<u>-</u> IEC on awareness and health needs of the elderly
Prevention and Management of Infertility	-IEC on caused of infertility -diagnosis and management of infertility	-reduce stigmatisation	-provision of appropriate services	-trained health workers	-awareness of the situation -health seeking behaviour to address the problem  Health facilities -diagnosis and management of infertility
Prevention and Management of Reproductive Cancer	-mapping reproductive cancer -defining needs of patients/clients with cancer -IEC on importance of early health services	-improved health-related quality of life -needs of care and support, hygiene, emotional, spiritual and financial addressed -improved accessibility to	-community health workers trained on recognition of early signs and symptoms of reproductive cancers -early referral to	-services mainstreamed to all health care services -commodities available and accessible	Community level  -IEC on awareness and health needs of reproductive cancer clients -health seeking behaviour to address the problem

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
	accessibility -targeting on cervical cancer and cancer of the breast	cancer and treatment services	appropriate levels for diagnosis and management of cancer -quality and good mix of skilled health workers		Health facilities -diagnosis and management of infertility
Prevention and Management of Childhood Illness	-Provide IEC to mothers, fathers, families and communities with regard to >breastfeeding >nutrition >use and accessibility of ORS >danger signs of illness >awareness and capacity to recognise childhood illnesses	-promoting early health seeking behaviour  -demand for health services increased  -increased uptake of immunisation for childhood illnesses	-community health workers trained on of health services	- IMCI integrated primary health care services -availability and accessibility of commodities	
Gender-Based	-IEC on men as equal partners and danger of	-increased community			

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
Violence (GBV)	GBV -signs of GBV -victims of GBV ability to disclose GBV	awareness of GBV  -men and women making common decisions on S&RH			
Nutrition Care	IEC for quality food for nutritional benefits and proper use. Ensure food security including use of locally available foodstuff. Specific foods for PLHA.	Nutritional counselling . Management of nutritional disorders. Referral of complicated cases.	As per dispensaries	As per HCs and add training of community volunteers and health care workers and support for PLHA.	Management of complicated nutritional cases and add in-service training of health carte workers IEC.

Targeted SRH	<b>Intervention components</b>	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of	Type of facility
sub-population				services	
Curative services	IMCI; Oral rehydration therapy and Zinc for diarrhoea; antibiotics for dysentery; antibiotics for pneumonia; treatment of malaria with recommended combination therapy; Vitamin A for measles; detection and management of severe and moderate malnutrition; care and treatment of HIV/AIDS; pre-referral management of severe conditions; quality management of seriously sick children.	Standard or basic laboratory services, point of care services, data recording and reporting, biohazard waste disposal and proper management of supplies	All services at dispensary plus collection and refer CD4 and DBS DNA PCR samples, sputum AFB microscopy.	Collect and refer DBS, DNA PCR samples, X-Ray, Ultra sound services before this level plus chemistry, haematological testing,	Viral load estimation, bacterial culture and sensitivity testing, X-Ray, Ultrasound, CT scan, National reference laboratory
Pre-pregnancy (Adolescent girls and women of child bearing age	Youth friendly services -Family planning -Folic acid -Iron tablets	-IEC on sexual and reproductive health (including all the aspects of sexuality before pregnancy, during pregnancy, at the times of giving birth, post-	provision of safe abortion services, family planning, HIV/STIs screening services and health education	Services linked to a health delivery system providing continuity with components of	<u>Dispensary and Health</u> <u>Centre levels</u>
	-Tetanus toxoid	partum, new-born, infancy and maternal health,	Caucation	S&RH	District Hospitals -When special S&RH

Targeted SRH sub-population	Intervention components	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of services	Type of facility
	-Prevention, care and treatment of HIV/AIDS				needs can be managed appropriately
Pregnancy	Essential preventive and promotive care in pregnancy including PMTC  -Management of complications during pregnancy	Tetanus, anaemia and syphilis prevention -Increased uptake	-Provides opportunities for preventing malaria -Pregnancy care improves uptake of IPT and ITNs	Skilled health professionals  -Essential medicines and medical devices  -Services linked to a health delivery system providing continuity with childbirth and postnatal care	-Dispensary and Health Centres, -Referral facility
In pregnancy at least 4 ANC visits for normal pregnancies, including one visit within the first 3 months of pregnancy	-Confirmation of pregnancy -Monitoring of progress of pregnancy and assessment of maternal foetal wellbeing -Counselling on nutrition, breastfeeding,				Community  -Dispensary and Health Centres, -Referral facility

Targeted SRH	<b>Intervention components</b>	Benefits	Service delivery	Description of	Type of facility
sub-population				services	
	healthy life style				
	-Screen of protein and anaemia including blood groups				
	-Deworming				
	-Identification and treatment of bacteriuria				
	-Identification of treatment of problems complicating pregnancy; hypertension, bleeding, malpresentation, multiple pregnancy				
	-Assessment of female genital mutilation				

At each stage from before pregnancy to the age when they are elderly, different combinations of RMNCH interventions are needed and are provided at various sites. In Tanzania, there are community-based interventions while others are offered at dispensary, Health centre and the various hospitals such as the District, Regional Referral and Consultant facilities. These have been clarified in Table 5.

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

### 4.4 Prevention, Management and Control of Communicable Diseases

Summary: Almost all programmes have developed intervention packages which are being implemented. Some e.g. Malaria will be coming to an end as of the coming July 2013 and a new version is in preparation. As such, the current NEHCIP-Tz will be in line with what has been developed and include any changes which have been modified for the purpose of improvement.

#### 4.4.1 HIV/AIDS & STI

HIV/AIDS continue to be one of the most important health problem facing Tanzania today. The Government of Tanzania has developed national policies, strategies, interventions in order to combat the 'National Disaster'. They include e3fforts to change sexual behaviour and promote wider coverage of HIV testing. The interventions are bearing results since the three prevalence studies carried out to date, 2003/4; 2007/8 and 2011/12 steady declining prevalence figures. For example prevalence for those years shows a decline from 7 per cent (2003-04) to 6 per cent (2007-08) to 5% (2011-12) (HIV/AIDS and Malaria Indicator Survey 2011-12, TACAIDS).

#### 4.4.1.2 Levels of interventions

- ✓ LEVELS IN THE HEALTH SECTOR
- ✓ INTERVENTIONS CORE SERVICES FOR EACH LEVEL
- ✓ MATRIX FOR INTERVENTIONS/CORE SERVICES
- > Prevention of Mother To Child Transmission (PMTCT)
- Sexual transmission Infections and RTIs

- ➤ Male Circumcision
- ➤ HIV Testing and Counseling
- > Safe Blood
- ➤ Workplace Interventions
- > Youth Friendly Services
- Positive Health Dignity and Prevention
- ➤ Anti-retroviral therapy (Care and Treatment)
- > TB/HIV Collaborative Services
- Community Home based care services
- > Nutrition
- Diagnostic Services
- > Pharmaceutical Services
- ➤ IEC/Behavior Change communication
- > Stigma and discrimination reduction
- Condom programming

#### The core interventions are:

Prevention

Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission

Sexually Transmitted Infections/Reproductive tract Infections

Male Circumcision Core Services

HIV Testing and Counselling (HTC) core services

Safe Blood Core Services

Workplace Interventions Core Services

Targeted Youth Programmes Core Services

**Positive Prevention** 

• Treatment, Care and Support

All the services listed will need to be provided at ech level and furthermore to appear in the CCHP planning document.

Facility Based ART Core Services

TB/HIV collaborative Core Services

**Nutrition Core Services** 

Diagnostic services

Pharmaceutical services

Community Home based Care core services

• Cross Cutting Services

I E C and Behaviour Change Communication

**Condom Programming** 

Stigma and discrimination reduction

**Table 3:** Delivery points

Level	Househol d/	Dispensa ry	Health Centre	District Hospit	Regional (Referral	Zonal/Special/ Super-specialised
	Communi ty			al	) Hospital	
District	X	X	X	X	•	
Regional Health Services					X	
National Level						Х

The services for prevention, treatment and care as well as cross cutting issues are to be provided under the 'National Essential Health Sector HIV and AIDS Interventions Package, NACP, First Edition, July 2010. The NACP needs to specify the timeframe which the package covers.

#### 4.4.2 Malaria

The key interventions for Malaria control are divided into prevention, case management and epidemic surveillance and response. The MOHSW Malaria Control Programme had developed a (Malaria Medium Term Strategic Plan 2008 – 2013) and will come to an end in July 2012. Hence a new version is in the making. Furthermore, the US President's Malaria

initiative (2011) adds value to the control programme. The two documents will be used in parallel.

**Table 4: Malaria Interventions** 

Level Interventions	Household/ Communit y	Dispensary	Health Centre	District Hospital	Regional (Referral) Hospital	Zonal/Spe cial/ Super specialised
Prevention -Insecticide Treated nets -Indoor residual Spraying -Behaviour Change and Communication	X	X	X			
-Case Management -Diagnostics -Case managements		X	X	X	X	X
Epidemic Surveillance and Response - Epidemic Surveillance and Response	X	X	X	X	X	х

### 4.4.3 TB and TB/HIV

Summary: NTLP is under the Epidemiology and Disease Control section within the department of Preventive Services in the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare. The programme is integrated in the existing primary health care system. All health providers are responsible for early case detection, appropriate treatment and case holding. They are also responsible for proper management of drugs and supplies, keeping accurate records and providing health education to the patient and community. Although the NTLP is integrated within the general health services, it has a managerial and supervisory staff dealing solely with the two diseases, in order to ensure adequate technical competence in TB and leprosy control.

Table 5 Tuberculosis

<b>Level Interventions</b>	Household/ Community	Dispensary	Health Centre	District Hospita	Regional (Referral	Zonal/Special/ Super specialised
					Hospital	<b>1</b>
-Community						
Tuberculosis care	X	X	X			
-Short-course						
chemotherapy		X	X	X	X	X
-Direct Observed						
Treatment		77	***	***	77	
-Patient –centred Treatment		X	X	X	X	
-Monitoring TB/HIV	X	X	X	X	X	X
-Prevention of drug resistance	X	X		X	X	X

## 4.4.4 Leprosy including rehabilitative support

Table 6 Leprosy

<b>Level Interventions</b>	Household/ Community	Dispensary	Health Centre	District Hospital	Regional (Referral) Hospital	Zonal/Special / Super
						specialised
-Raising community awareness on the disease -Early case detection	X	X	X			
-Multi-drug therapy	X	X	X	X	X	X
available to every health facility where there is a leprosy patient at all times and free of charge	X	X	X	X	X	X
-Prevention disability						
by early diagnosis and appropriate treatment	X	X	X	X	X	X
of leprosy disease, reaction and other	X	X	X	X	X	X
complication	X		X			X
-Diagnosis of <b>leprosy</b>						

## **4.4.5** Epidemics (Cholera, Meningitis, Plague, Yellow fever, Measles, Polio, Others (specify)

Summary: Epidemic prone diseases, such as cholera, measles, cerebrospinal meningitis, plague, and bacillary dysentery are also an increasing problem in Tanzania. Only by active disease surveillance and thorough outbreak investigation can you determine if you are achieving your goals for controlling and preventing disease.

#### 4.5 Prevention, Management and Control of Non- Communicable Diseases (NCD)

Summary: The increased contribution of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) to the Burden of Disease (BoD) is being recognised globally. In Tanzania, emerging evidence from empirical studies estimates that NCDs account for 15% plus of our burden of disease (BoD) but this could be a major under-estimate. The health sector will therefore implement enhanced programmes for prevention and

treatment of diseases of lifestyle, as well co-ordinated inter-sectoral interventions to reduce intentional and unintentional injury. All the disease conditions mentioned have interventions developed by the NCD department. Service providers are referred to those interventions and must respond to advances when these are made by the various departments.

- 4.5.1 Acute and chronic respiratory diseases
- 4.5.2 Cardiovascular diseases
- 453 Diabetes
- 4.5.4 Neoplasm/ cancers
- 4.5.5 Injuries/Trauma including rehabilitative support and Counselling for self help
- 4.5.5 Mental Health
- 4.5.6 Substance Abuse
- 4.5.7 Anaemia & Nutritional Deficiencies
- 4.5.8 Congenital Diseases and anomalies

## 4.6 Treatment and care of other common diseases of local priority within the District Council

Each district council based on data collected from lower level health facilities and communities within the area can determine the relevant priority conditions. These will vary according to the environmental and climatic conditions. For example in high altitude areas malaria may not be the priority condition but respiratory diseases can be especially in younger age groups. Such data can then be used to prioritise interventions as per requirement. The three conditions given here are generic and given just as an example of what can happen.

- 4.6.1 Oral health conditions,
- 4.6.2 Eye disorders
- 4.6.3 Skin diseases

#### 4.7 Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs)

Summary: Tanzania is prevalent with eight Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) affecting the poorest of the poor nations. These diseases are Onchocerciasis (river blindness), Lymphatic Filariasis (elephantiasis), Trachoma, plague, Schistosomiasis (bilharzia), human African trypanosomiasis (sleeping sickness), soil transmitted helminthiasis (intestinal worms) and leprosy.

#### **4.7.1:** The approach

Whist Tanzania has made great strides in tackling these diseases, through single disease programmes, a change in approach was necessary to maximize the use if the limited resources available. It was clear that, never before had the global health community focused the attention on this magnitude on the group of such diseases that affect poor communities, thus, aggravating the vicious cycle of poverty and diseases.

Taking all the above mentioned issues into consideration, Tanzania has embarked on an integrated approach to NTD control. The NTD programme was designed to limit duplication, maximize use of resources and work by and with the community, in a holistic approach.

The Ministry of Health and Social Welfare has stated that since 2004, the country had adapted the integrated NTD control approach initially through co-implementation of Lymphatic Filariasis and Onchocerciasis mass drug administration in Tanga and Morogoro regions.

Thereafter in 2009 with the support of USAID and APOC they started to implement the integrated approach of NTD control where by all Mass Drug Administration activities are implemented in an integrated manner in 36 districts of the country.

"In 2012 NTD implementation was up-scaled to 94 districts in 14 regions of Tanzania mainland. This was a great achievement. Currently, Ministry of Health and Social Welfare (MOHSW) through the National Neglected Tropical Diseases Control Programme (NNTDCP) is responsible for coordination of the implementation of interventions stipulated in the Strategic Master Plan for the Neglected Tropical Diseases Control Programme (2012 - 2017).

All health providers are therefore referred to the NNTDCP manual and deliver services accordingly for the following diseases:

- 4.7.2 Trachoma
- 4.7.3 Cataract
- 4.7.4 Schistosomiasis
- 4.7.5 Onchocerciasis
- 4.7.6 Filariasis
- 4.7.7 Plague
- 4.7.8 Rabies
- 4.7.9 Trypanosomiasis
- 4.7.10 Soil Transmitted Helmithesis
- 4.7.11 Others (specify).

#### 4.8 Emergence Preparedness and response

Summary: Profile of Crises and Natural Disasters in the Country. Tanzania's main natural disaster hazards are drought, floods and epidemics. Between 1980 and 2008, Tanzania suffered around 65 natural disasters of which 26 were epidemics, 24 were floods and 6 were droughts. However, no other single natural disaster has affected more people than droughts. These, in fact, are responsible for over 90% of all people affected by natural disasters in the past twenty years (Prevention Web, 2010). In 2006, a severe and prolonged drought caused food shortages and a drop in water levels that led to power rationing. In 2008, the rain period was shorter than average and in 2009 the short rains failed to come.

In addition, the global economic crisis at the end of 2008 had a devastating effect on Tanzania's population and food security. As global food prices rose in 2008, domestic and regional problems kept those prices high into 2009, remaining higher than the 5-year average throughout the year. This situation, together with the typical rise of food prices between September and January, constrained access to food, especially by those who relied on food purchases from the markets.

The drought combined with the effects of the financial, fuel and food crises had severe consequences for poor and vulnerable households and left many people food insecure in 40 districts on the mainland and Zanzibar (Unguja and Pemba).

#### 4.8.1 Immediate Response

When food prices, food insecurity and fear of droughts, combined with shortage of grains in the region, prompted concerns, the first response of the Government of Tanzania was to limit exports of food staples (World Bank, 2009b). The government also developed a strategy based on (i) protecting public investment and infrastructure, (ii) credit guarantees to support employment and (iii) supporting food security by improving a voucher subsidy scheme. The government established a task force to propose measures to deal with potential impacts of the crisis. In addition, the country requested support from the IMF for US\$300 million to help finance the balance of payments and fiscal deficit (World Bank, 2009).

The government also worked with the World Bank to put together the Accelerated Food Security

Program (AFSP), a GFRP financed intervention, with the goal of responding to the multifaceted crisis. The AFSP is a combined package to finance three existing operations: the Accelerated Food Security Project (US\$160.0 million); the Agricultural Sector Development Project (US\$30.0 million); and the Tanzania Second Social Action Fund Project (US\$30.0 million). The AFSP's overall objective is to improve food security in Tanzania and avert a potential food crisis. The specific objectives of the three operations are:

- For the Accelerated Food Security Project, to contribute to higher food production and productivity in targeted areas by improving farmers' access to critical agricultural inputs.
- For the Agricultural Sector Development Project, to enable farmers to have better
  access to and use of, agricultural knowledge, technologies, marketing systems, and
  infrastructure, all of which contribute to higher productivity, profitability, and farm
  income.
- For the Additional Financing to TASAF, to improve access of beneficiary households to enhanced socioeconomic services and income-generating opportunities. Key

indicators of success include the number of beneficiaries of public works by gender and other programs covered under TASAF II.

- 4.8.2 Mapping for susceptible areas for emergencies in the council
- 4.8.3 Advocacy for prevention.
- 4.8.4 Detection of Vulnerable Communities.
- 4.8.5 Institutional capacity building

#### 4.9 Social Welfare/Social Protection

- 4.9.1 Adolescent sexual reproductive health
- 4.9.2 Women's and girls' reproductive health issues including infertility, rape/ sexual assault and female genital cutting (FGC)
- 4.9.3 Care and protection for most vulnerable children including orphans, children with disabilities, abused and neglected children, street children and young offenders.
- 4.9.4 Early childhood development
- 4.9.5 Rehabilitative support
- 4.9.6 Injuries/Trauma including rehabilitative support and Counselling for self help
- 4.9.7 Mental Health
- 4.9.8 Early identification and intervention of children with disability
- 4.9.9 Health care to old people
- 4.9.10 Drug and Substance Abuses
- 4.9.11 Exemption and waivers of the vulnerable groups (Health Facility -social protection system)
- 4.9.12 (Family support and counselling to) prevent breakdown and protect children in the home

#### 4.10 Pharmaceuticals, commodities, Infrastructure (MMAM) and Food Safety

Effective management of medical products and pharmaceuticals is critical to high quality service delivery. The MOHSW's HSSP III identifies medicines and supplies as key in implementation of its 13 health strategies (Tanzania Health Systems Assessment 2010 Report, Chapter 7, pg 67). The category of products include: essential medicines; ART; TB medicines; medicines for opportunistic infections; vaccines; contraceptives, condoms, medical supplies, reagents for blood safety.

The infrastructure part of the primary health care services network encompasses dispensaries, health centres and district hospitals. The Health Services Delivery System in Tanzania consists of a network of facilities, which assumes a pyramidal Structure starting from a Dispensary, Health Centre through the District and the Regional Hospitals to the Referral Hospitals. (Primary Health Services Development Programme PHSDP) 2007 – 2017 (MMAM).

In principle the referral system is designed for the dispensary to refer patients to health centers and for the health centers in turn to refer patients into hospitals. Unfortunately this system is not functioning as intended. A number of factors contribute to this situation, among others, under funding, weak management arrangements, inadequate staff and difficulties in transport and communication.

The 2006 Health Policy recognize the importance of accessible and sustainable Primary Health Care services for all citizens through provision of dispensary in every village, a health center in every ward and, a hospital in every district. However, with the given country size, population and, the geographical barriers, the health services are not easily accessible to all.

The more details are shown:

4.10.1 The objective is to strengthen pharmaceutical systems at all levels to support prevention, care and treatment.

#### 4.10.2 The target(s) are:

- Establish pharmaceutical management systems to ensure uninterrupted supply and proper use of pharmaceuticals at all levels
- Establish pharmacovigillance system at all levels

#### 4.10.3 Activities

- Sensitisation of community on rational medicine use
- Procure, order and distribute pharmaceutical supplies timely
- Collect, record and report pharmaceutical data/information in timely manner
- Collect in a timely manner data/information on ADR in a timely manner

#### 4.11 Sanitation, Hygiene, Environmental Health Management and Climate Change

#### **Background**

The Health Promotion working group was established to facilitate discussions and analysis on issues pertaining to environmental health, hygiene, sanitation and climate change in Tanzania and comprises of representatives from MoHSW, VPO, MoW, PMO – RALG, MoEVT, NEMC, GCLA, GTZ, T-MARC, UNICEF, WSP and Water Aid. The main objective of the department was to establish an effective group of technical experts to advise and recommend on how to address issues related to health promotion.

The working group has established six priority areas to be worked upon which are:

- 1. Advocacy for hand washing with soap
- 2. Waste management in towns or urban areas
- 3. Latrine improvement at households and institutions (schools and health facilities)
- 4. Household water treatment and safe storage at point of use
- 5. Chemical and pesticide management
- 6. Scaling up financing for school WASH

#### 4.11.1 Achievement

- With regard to advocacy for Hand Washing with Soap, the TWG facilitated the demonstration of hand washing facilities, advocacy on Hand Washing with Soap in 10 Districts of Kiteto, Kondoa, Mpwapwa, Iringa, Sumbawanga, Igunga, Musoma, Karagwe, Masasi and Rufiji.
- Waste management in towns and urban areas was strengthened by finalization of the Waste and Human Remains Management Guidelines and the training of 4 City and 16 Municipal Health Officer on appropriate waste management practices. The Waste and Human Remains Guideline have been disseminated to all regions in the financial years 2011/12/13
- Latrine improvement at household and institution was promoted by building capacity
  on construction of improved toilet facilities in Tanga Reegion. Similarly, IEC
  materials on improved toilet and hand washing facilities were printed and
  disseminated to the public.

- A Draft National Action Plan for household water treatment and safe storage at point
  of use has been prepared. Furthermore, household surveys have been conducted to
  assess the water treatment methods and storage means
- A National Sanitation and Hygiene Campaign has also been prepare so as to increase latrine coverage in the country and promote ideal sanitation and hygiene behavior change. The campaign will be supported by African Development Bank. Regional Health Officers have already been oriented on the campaign.
- With regard to chemical and pesticide management, the TWG has trained 19 Regional Health Officers and 4 Port Health Officers on Chemical Inspection. The trainees will be appointed by the Minister for Health and Social Welfare and thereafter gazetted as National Inspectors.

#### 4.11.2 Constraints and Challenges

The Health Promotion TWG encountered the following challenges in the implementation of activities:

- Inadequate up to date and reliable environmental health, hygiene and sanitation data from regional and district level.
- Lack of equipments and facilities for the monitoring of environmental health parameters and levels of pollution.

#### 4.11.3 Way forward

- To launch the National Sanitation and Hygiene Campaign
- To print and disseminate the Waste and Human Remains Management Guidelines
- Promote hand washing with soap behavior at all levels
- Strengthen the sanitation and hygiene information management system

#### 4.12 Health Promotion

#### 4.12.1 Background

The Health Promotion working group was established to facilitate discussions and analysis on issues pertaining to health promotion as a new and technically advancing area in Tanzania.

There are six (6) sub-technical working groups which are working on different priorities areas, e.g.

- Advocacy, Health Communication /Education and Social mobilization
- Community Based Health Care/ Initiatives
- School Health
- Nutritional Health
- Workplace Health / wellness initiatives
- Development of health communication material (i.e. Electronic and Print audio, visual or both, and for the disabled)
- Documentation of evidence and lessons learnt in health promotion programming

#### 4.12.2 Priority area identified by Health Promotion

The six key priority areas, which have been identified by the group, are:-

- Advocacy, Health Communication /Education and Social mobilization
- Community Based Health Care/ Initiatives
- School Health
- Nutritional Health
- Workplace Health / wellness initiatives
- Development of health communication material (i.e. Electronic and Print audio, visual or both, and for the disabled)
- Documentation of evidence and lessons learnt in health promotion programming

#### 4.12.3 Achievement

It is aimed at reviewing and updating the following existing documents:-

- Health Education Section Strategic Plan 2003-2007
- National Health Promotion Strategy 2011-2015 (Draft document)
- Community Based Health Management Information System Guide

- Health Promotion in our Schools
- Mwongozo wa Huduma za afya shuleni
- Policy Guidelines on School Health Promotion
- National Tobacco Control Strategic Plan 2010-2015
- How to deworm school age children
- Mwongozo wa wahudumu wa Afya ya Jamii
- Guidelines for Implementation of Community Based Health Initiatives in the context of Health Sector Reform in Tanzania
- National Policy Guidelines for Health Education and Health Promotion 2003

#### 4.12.4 Major constraints

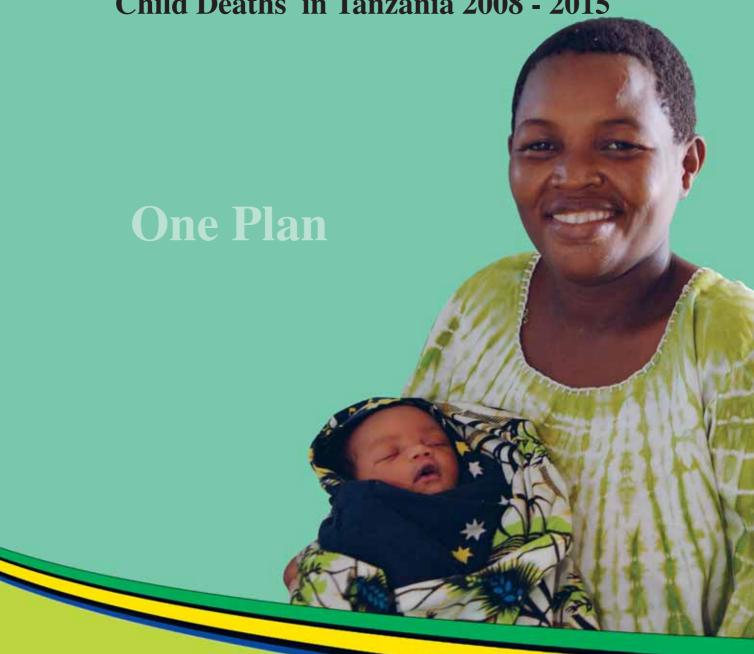
- Lack financial resources and insufficient human capacity for rollout health promotion interventions at district and regional level.
- Lengthy procedures of securing funds for the implementation of health promotion working group activities.
- Lack/inadequate research to inform health promotion interventions.
- Lack/inadequate supervision, monitoring and evaluation to inform further health promotion interventions.
- Lack/inadequate HMIS for health promotion services.

#### 4.12.5 Way Forward

- Prepare Action plans to address issues pertaining to Health Promotion.
- Advice on mechanisms for advocating and promoting healthy lifestyles and behavior at all levels.
- Advise on approaches for community participation and involvement in health promotion initiatives.
- Advise on having an HMIS for health communication and behavior.



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# ANNEX 2 INPUTS FOR IMPROVING MATERNAL, NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH AT ALL LEVELS

#### ANTENATAL CARE

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	counselling to women, men, families and communities about:  The needs of pregnant women Danger signs and appropriate action Birth preparedness, including local transportation for emergencies Work, rest and nutrition HIV/STD prevention The importance of social support Involve the husband/partner in IEC and counselling sessions Planning for birth and emergencies Adolescent girls encouraged to continue to go to school Promote beneficial traditional practices and advise against harmful ones Promote ITNs Identify pregnant women and refer early to antenatal clinic Provide follow up care and support between scheduled antenatal clinic visits  Identify problems and complication and refer Record community-based health information (e.g. number of	Obtain targeted history and perform physical examination, monitor progress of pregnancy and assess maternal and fetal wellbeing  Develop an individualised birth plan (e.g. place of delivery, birth attendant, emergency preparedness)  Perform standard testing: Syphilis (including treatment as needed) Urinalysis Haemoglobin Pregnancy confirmation  Screen for other STDs where applicable and provide appropriate treatment and counselling  Assess Female genital mutilation  Manage minor complications such as mild anaemia, uncomplicated urinary tract infection and mild vaginal infections, uncomplicated malaria  Provide tetanus toxoid immunization  Provide intermittent presumptive treatment of malaria  Sell/dispense ITNs  Treat intestinal parasites as needed  Provide iron, folic acid and other micronutrient supplementation  Manage certain problems and	Manage certain problems and complications (e.g. mild pre-eclampsia, incomplete abortion); refer more serious complications  Offer voluntary counselling and testing for HIV as possible  Provide FP and post abortion care  Pre-referral treatment of severe complications  - pre-eclampsia - eclampsia - bleeding - infection - complicated abortion  Support of women with special needs e.g. adolescents and women living with violence  Manage or refer for PMTCT  Treatment of mild to moderate opportunistic infections in pregnant	Manage major problems and complications - ectopic pregnancy - Anaemia - severe pre-eclampsia - eclampsia - bleeding - infection - other medical complications  Treatment of abortion complications  Treatment of severe HIV infection	IEC messages/materials about:  The needs of pregnant women  Danger signs and appropriate action  Birth preparedness, including local transportation for emergencies  HIV/STD prevention  Insecticide-treated bed nets (ITNs)  The importance of male involvement  Refresher in-service training for community-level health workers about using IEC messages/materials  In-service training for supervisors of community-level health workers to enable them to conduct refresher on job training of community-level workers  In-service training for community-level health workers involved in antenatal care, including problem/complication identification and referral; follow up support, recording  Dispensary level  In-service training for healthcare providers responsible for antenatal care about:  Content of antenatal care  Revised schedule of visits  Assessment skills (history taking and physical examination; routine testing)  Care provision, including the development of individualized birth plan, health education and counselling  Supplies for syphilis testing, urinalysis, haemoglobin, and other STD tests as necessary  Consistent supply of TT vaccine, syringes/needles, antihelminthic drugs, basic drugs such as antimalarial drugs (SP), antibiotics and fungicides ( (SP) and ITNs, iron, folic

TRAINED HEALTH CARE	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
PROVIDER COMMUNITY				
	slight bleeding); refer other problems  Provide additional health education and counselling about:  • Preparation for breastfeeding			Health Centre level All of the above and: • Supplies for HIV testing, IV fluids, parental drugs (antibiotics, MgSO4, antimalarials) Supplies and training for Manual Vacuum Aspirations
	<ul> <li>Prevention and recognition of STDs/HIV/AIDS</li> <li>Prevention of malaria and helminth infestation</li> <li>Mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS</li> </ul>			<ul> <li>In-service training for healthcare providers responsible for antenatal care about:</li> <li>Content of antenatal care and treatment mild complications as well as pre-referral treatment</li> <li>Revised schedule of visits</li> <li>Assessment skills (history taking and physical examination; routine testing)</li> <li>Care provision, including the development of individualised birth plan, health education and counselling</li> </ul>
				Hospital level All of the above and: Competency-based training for doctors in the management of eclampsia, severe anaemia, ectopic pregnancy Supplies, equipment and drugs for the management of complications (blood transfusion, laboratory tests, obstetric care and surgery)



#### **CARE DURING CHILDBIRTH including obstetric emergency situations**

TRAINED HEALTH CARE	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
PROVIDER COMMUNITY				
Provide a warm and caring approach	As at community level, plus:	As at dispensary level, plus:	As at health centre, plus:	Community level
to the woman				In-service training for community-level health workers
Monitor progress of labour using	Obtain targeted history and	Treatment of abnormalities and	Treatment of severe complications in	about appropriate interpersonal support for the woman
simple aide	perform physical examination	complications (prolonged labour,	childbirth and the immediate	during childbirth; simple labour monitoring; clean and
	<b>D</b> : 11 1 :	vacuum extraction, breach	postpartum period, including caesarean	safe delivery practices; early recognition of and response
If delivery occurs at community level:	Diagnose labour and monitor	presentation, episiotomy, repair of	section, blood transfusion and	to obstetric complications
	progress using adapted WHO	genital tears, manual removal of	hysterectomy)	D 1 11 11
Follow clean and safe delivery	partograph	placenta and treatment of moderate	- obstructed labour	Basic delivery kits
practices	Provide supportive care and	post-haemorrhagic anaemia	- malpresentations - eclampsia	WHO adapted partograph forms
Discuss and reach consensus on the	pain relief	Pre-referral management of serious	- eciampsia - severe infections	w HO adapted partograph forms
labour and birthing position of	Perform interventions such as	complications (obstructed labour,	- severe infections - bleeding	Dispensary level
mother's choice	amniotomy and episiotomy,	fetal distress, preterm labour, severe	- bleeding	As for the community level, plus:
	only if necessary	peri- and postpartum haemorrhage)	Induction and augmentation of labour	In-service training about:
Recognise problems or complications	only if necessary	por and postpartum nacmormage)	induction and augmentation of labour	Assessment of woman in labour
early and refer	Inspect placenta and vagina for	Emergency management of	Management of complications related to	Clean and safe delivery practices
Inspect placenta; examine perineum	injuries	complications if birth is imminent	FGM	Use of WHO adapted partograph
for injuries and refer as needed	injuries	complications if offer is miniment	1 01/1	Amniotomy/episiotomy
for injuries and refer as needed	Repair minor lacerations and	Support for the family in case of	Prevention of Mother to Child	Active management of third stage
After deliver, notify maternal and	episiotomies	maternal death	transmission of HIV by mode of	Recognition of and response to problems/
foetal outcomes and report to next	episioteimes	material death	delivery, provision of ARV's, guidance	complications
level	Actively manage the third		and support for chosen infant feeding	Essential newborn care
Constantly a south and below in the disc.	stage of labour (oxytocin,		option.	• KMC
Care for the newborn baby including KMC, recognise danger signs and	controlled cord traction, fundal			Consistent supply of
refer as appropriate	massage)			Gloves, aprons, soap and water, antiseptic solution, basic
Telef us appropriate				instruments for amniotomy and episiotomy, oxytocin,
Perform obstetric first aid including	Care for the baby after birth			Vitamin A basic oral drugs, partograph forms, suture
stabilisation	incl. KMC, monitor the baby			materials/needle holder, Vaginal speculum,, suture
	and treat or refer as appropriate			materials/needle holder, vacuum extractor, MVA
Arrange for transport and accompany mother to the next level	Newborn resuscitation			equipment, IV fluids and infusion sets
mother to the next level				In-service training about:
Record community-based health	Recognize complications early			Competency-based skills training for clinical officers and
information (e.g. number of women	(e.g. malpresentations,			nurse-midwives in:
with complications referred	prolonged or obstructed labour,			Repair of vaginal and cervical lacerations
	hypertension, bleeding and			Vacuum extraction
	infection) and manage or refer			• MVA
	as appropriate			Manual removal of the placenta
	Perform emergency obstetric			Emergency management of complications if birth is
	procedures including:			imminent • Pre-referral management of serious complications
	Repair of vaginal and cervical			Treatment of minor complication
	lacerations			Essential newborn care
	Vacuum extraction			2550man new oom care
	Manual vacuum aspiration			Availability of Newborn resuscitation equipment
	(MVA)			11. and they of the wooth resuscitation equipment
	Manual removal of the placenta			

TRAINED HEALTH CARE	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
PROVIDER COMMUNITY				
	Initiate management and refer patients with:  • Haemorrhage  • Eclampsia  • Obstructed labour Puerperal infections Delivery and immediate care of the newborn including KMC and immediate initiation of breastfeeding  Immediate postpartum care of the mother:  - Assessment of maternal well being and detection of complications (e.g. bleeding, infections, hypertension and anaemia)  - Advice on danger signs, emergency preparedness and follow-up Vitamin A administration  Recording and reporting on delivery			Health Centre level  All of the above plus: Continuous Supply of: Vacuum extraction equipment, IV fluids and IV sets, MGSO4, parental uterotonics and antibiotics, drugs and equipment for essential newborn care.  Hospital level  All of the above plus:  Health workers trained in:  • Management of obstetric complications and emergencies including Surgery (caesarean section and other abdominal obstetric surgery ectopic pregnancy, hysterectomy)  • Providing safe anaesthesia for pregnant women  • Safe blood transfusion  • PMTCT  Stable supply of: Equipment and drugs for anaesthesia, instruments and consumable supplies for obstetric surgery, blood transfusion equipment, Oxygen, laboratory equipment for both biochemical and microbiological assessments and ARV's.



#### **NEWBORN CARE**

TRAINED HEALTH CARE	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
PROVIDER COMMUNITY				
Provide immediate care of the newborn, including the following:	As at community level, plus:	As at dispensary level, plus:	As at health centre level, plus:	Community level
newborn, including the following.	Ensure warmth of sick or preterm/low birth weight babies as	Care if moderately preterm, low birth	Management of severe newborn	In-service training for community-level health workers in essential newborn care
KMC stimulate and warm	necessary	weight or twin; support for	problems such as:	in essential newborn care
baby	indeessary	breastfeeding, warmth, frequent	- neonatal sepsis	IEC messages/materials about:
Glassissis is		assessment of wellbeing and detection	- neonatal Jaundice	The danger signs of newborn illness and the
Clear airway if necessary to establish	Perform basic newborn	of complications e.g. feeding	- neonatal Tetanus	need to seek immediate care
respiration	Resuscitation	difficulties, jaundice or other perinatal	- breathing difficulties	• The importance of immunizations, growth
	Danida and an immediation and	problems.	- severe birth trauma and asphyxia - correctable malformations	monitoring and follow up
Tie, cut and care of cord	Provide newborn immunizations and administer eye care	Treatment of mild to moderate:	- Neonatal syphilis	Infant and young child feeding
using clean, safe procedures	administer eye care	- local infections (cord, skin, eye,	- failure to thrive	In-service training for community-level health workers
	Provide counselling and support for:	thrush)		in essential newborn care
Establish breastfeeding	Care of the newborn	- birth injuries		
immediately after birth	Care of preterm/low birth weight			Dispensary level
Avoid contacts with sick	babies, including skin-to-skin	Pre referral management of infants	Refer for further care, if necessary	All of the above plus:
family members	method	with severe problems:		
	<ul><li>Breastfeeding</li><li>Counselling and support on</li></ul>	- very preterm babies And/or low birth weight		Training of health workers in essential newborn care
Extra care for low-bithweight	feeding fro HIV positive mothers	- severe complications		Continuous supply of: Essential drugs and vaccines
babies including KMC	recame no my postave modicis	- malformations		and equipment for newborn resuscitation (mucous
B :: 61 :	Monitoring and assessment of			extractor, newborn tube and mask device for newborn
Recognition of danger signs and referral	wellbeing, detection of	Presumptive treatment of congenital		resuscitation)
and referrar	complications (breathing, infections,	syphilis		
Counselling on homecare,	prematurely, low birth weight,	N		Health centre level
danger signs, safe disposal of	injury, malformation)	Management of minor to moderate problems such as feeding difficulties		All of the above plus:
baby stools, nutrition, ITN	Infection prevention, control and	problems such as reeding difficulties		Continuous supply of: oxygen, I.V. fluids, parental
and hygiene for newborn,	rooming-in	pre-referral management of severe		antibiotics
need for growth monitoring and immunizations		problems such as convulsions and		
and immunizations	Immunization according to national	inability to feed		Hospital:
	guideline			All of the above plus:
	I.: :4:-4	Recognize danger signs give		Tarining of health and down and left to the initial and
	Initiate management of newborn illness and refer to appropriate level	appropriate pre-referral treatment and refer as appropriate		Training of health workers and lab-technicians in: - management of the severely sick
	of care	Teler as appropriate		newborn baby
	or care			newoon oddy
	Additional follow-up visits for high			Continuous supply of laboratory test equipment,
	risk babies (preterm, after severe			equipment and supplies for anaesthesia and surgery
	complications, low-birthweight			
	babies HIV-exposed babies, babies with feeding problems and babies			
	on replacement feeding			
	on replacement recting			
	Supporting mother if perinatal death			

#### POSTPARTUM CARE

TRAINED				
HEALTHCARE PROVIDER	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
AT COMMUNITY				
Provide IEC to women, men,	As at community level plus:	As at dispensary level,	As at health centre level,	Community Level:
families and communities about:	, ,	1 3	,	
• the needs of	Obtain pregnancy/birth	Manage moderate postpartum	Manage severe postpartum	IEC messages about:
postpartum women	history and perform	problems/complications	complications problems	the needs of postpartum women
<ul> <li>breastfeeding</li> </ul>	physical examination of	including:	- severe haemorrhage	breastfeeding
<ul> <li>danger signs for mother and</li> </ul>	mother and baby	<ul> <li>mild to moderate anaemia</li> </ul>	- severe post partum infections	immunization
baby		- Mild puerperal depression	- severe post partum depression	danger signs for mother and baby
<ul> <li>the importance of social</li> </ul>	Recognise problems or		- female sterilization	beneficial traditional practices and the importance of
support	complications early	Pre-referral treatment of severe		avoiding harmful ones
- ITN	(infections, bleeding and	problems such as severe post partum		In-service training for community-level
	anaemia) and manage	bleeding, puerperal sepsis and severe		health workers about the importance of early postpartum
Promote beneficial	appropriately or refer for	puerperal depression.		referral and follow up care, recording
traditional practices and	further care			
discourage harmful ones				Dispensary level
B 6 6 6 6	Iron and folic acid			In-service training for healthcare providers responsible for
Refer for first postpartum care	supplementation			postpartum care about:
visit within 48 hours of delivery	Provide vitamin A and			Content of postpartum care     Schedule of visits
within 48 hours of delivery	Micronutrient			Assessment skills (history taking and physical
Provide follow-up care and	supplementation where			examination of mother and baby
support between postpartum clinic	Appropriate			Care provision, including micronutrient
visits	Арргориас			supplementation and counselling about breastfeeding,
and refer for problems and	Provide counselling about:			baby care, maternal nutrition, contraception, and other
complications	- Breastfeeding and baby care			RH concerns I(e.g. STDs/HIV)
complications	- Maternal nutrition			Pre-referral treatment and referral of women with
Record community-based health	-home care			complications
information (e.g., number of	- ITN			Consistent supply of vitamin A and other
women	- Danger signs and			micronutrients and basic oral drugs
referred for postpartum care)	appropriate care seeking			
	Contraception and			Health centre level
	resumption of sexual activity			All of the above plus:
	Other RH concerns			Consistent supply of IV. Fluids, Parental drugs (antibiotics, antimalarials, MgSO4), gloves, soap and
	(e.g., STDs/HTV)			other equipments for manual removal of placenta
				other equipments for manual removal of placenta
				Hospital Level
				All of the above plus:
				Training of health workers in managing severe
				complications including surgical, laboratory and
				anaesthesiological procedures
				Continuous supply of equipment and utilities for surgery
				, laboratory tests both microbiology and biochemistry,
			<u>L</u>	oxygen, equipment and utilities for blood transfusion.

#### **POSTABORTION CARE**

TRAINED HEALTH CARE	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
PROVIDER COMMUNITY  Provide IEC to women, men, adolescents and communities about:  The dangers of unsafe abortion  The need to seek immediate care at a health facility for complications  Recognise signs of abortion early  Rapidly assess condition of patient	As at community level, plus:  Rapidly assess condition of patient  Initiate management of shock  Initiate treatment of sepsis	As at dispensary level, plus:  Perform manual vacuum aspiration (MVA)  Refer cases not appropriate for MVA  Initiate pre-referral treatment of and	As at health centre level, plus:  Manage complications, including:  Intra-abdominal injury  Uterine perforation  Transfusion for blood loss  Sharp curettage	Community level  IEC messages/materials about:  • The dangers of unsafe abortion  • The need to seek immediate care at a health facility for complications  • Options for family planning and access to FP services
Stabilise and refer immediately  Initiate management of shock	Refer patient for further care, if necessary  Provide post abortion counselling and family planning methods  Provide other RH services as necessary (e.g. treatment of STDs)	refer for further care as needed	• Infection	In service training for Community health workers about the early recognition of and response to signs of abortion  Dispensary level In-service training for healthcare providers about the early recognition of and response to signs of abortion In-service service training for health care providers about post abortion FP counselling and methods Consistent supply of IV fluids and infusion sets, intramuscular(IV/AM) antibiotics, syringes  Health centre All of the above plus: Service providers trained in assessment of complications
Initiate treatment of sepsis  Refer patient for further care, if necessary  Provide post-abortion family planning (FP) counselling and methods and other RH services as necessary (e.g. STDs/HIV)				related to post abortion, performance of MVA, early recognition of danger signs, pre-referral, referral management and post abortion counselling of women on FP  Consistent supply of IV fluids and infusion sets, intravenous/intramuscular (IV/IM) antibiotics, syringes/needles, contraceptives (oral pills, injectables, condoms), MVA equipment, gloves, soap and water, antiseptic solution  Hospital level  All of the above plus:  Competency-based skills training for doctors in surgical procedures for intra-abdominal injury and uterine perforation  Equipment and drugs for anaesthesia, instruments and consumable supplies for obstetric surgery, blood transfusion equipment

#### **FAMILY PLANNING**

TRAINED HEALTH CARE	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
Provide IEC to women, men,	As at community level, plus:	As at dispensary level, plus:	As at health centre level, plus:	Community level
PROVIDER COMMUNITY	As at community level, plus:  Obtain targeted history; perform physical examination  Screen for STDs; treat as necessary  Provide counselling about all method and provide method of choice, including IUD and injectables (where skills and supplies are available)  Refer as needed	As at dispensary level, plus:  Provide Norplant insertion and removal  Refer clients who desire surgical sterilization	As at health centre level, plus:  Perform surgical sterilization (permanent methods)	
				In-service training for healthcare providers responsible for FP services about assessment and screening, including history and physical examination; counselling; STD screening and treatment, method provision; referral  Consistent supply of Vaginal speculum, gloves, soap and water, IUD insertion kits, antiseptic solution
				Health Central level All of the above plus:  Continuous supply of oral and injectable contraceptives, IUDs, condoms, foams, jellies, Norplant and equipment for removal.
				Hospital level All of the above plus:  Competency-based skills training for doctors in male and female sterilization procedures and anaesthesiology  Continuous supply of Surgical instruments and supplies as well as supplies and drugs for local and general anaesthesia

#### PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF CHILDHOOD ILLNESS

TRAINED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER COMMUNITY	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
PROVIDER COMMUNITY  Provide IEC to mothers, fathers, families and communities about:  Recognition of diseases  The danger signs of illnesses  Promotion of key healthcare practices  Availability and use of oral rehydration solution (ORS)  Nutrition Breastfeeding Immunization Insecticide treated bednets  Water and sanitation  Household preparedness for prevention and treatment of illness	As at community level, plus:  Assess and manage according to the IMCI guideline uncomplicated cases of::  Diarrhoea Acute respiratory infection (ARI) Malaria Malnutrition Other childhood illnesses Paediatric HIV  Use of oral and IM antibiotics, medications  Recognition of danger sign and pre-referral treatment and referral according to IMCI guideline.  Counsel caregiver on appropriate homecare and nutrition  Provide growth monitoring, vitamin A supplementation and vaccination services  Ensure all children are assessed and managed comprehensively during all points of contact with the health facility including (assessment and treatment of illnesses, growth monitoring, immunization status)	As at dispensary level, plus: Use of IV fluids medications	As at health centre level, plus: Laboratory diagnosis of respiratory infections, diarrhoea, malaria, anaemia Treatment of child with complicated illnesses Provision of HIV testing and treatment for Children with HIV	Community level IEC messages/materials about:  Recognition of diseases  The danger signs of illnesses  Promotion of key healthcare practices  Availability and use of ORS  Nutrition  Breastfeeding  Immunization  Insecticide treated bednets  Water and sanitation  Household preparedness for prevention and treatment of illness  Community-level health workers with improved skills about the prevention, recognition, home care and referral of common childhood diseases  Dispensary level In-service training for healthcare providers in The prevention and management of childhood illness, growth monitoring, immunization services, counselling for parents of sick children, recognition of danger signs, pre-referral treatment and timely referral  Consistent supply of: Injectable medications, Antimalarials, Antibiotics, Syringes/needles, ORS, Zinc  Health centre level As above plus:  Training of lab assistant in biochemical and microbiological tests  Continuous supply of IV sets, syringes, needles and parental drugs (anticonvulsants, antibiotics, antimalarials, IV fluids), equipment and utilities for biochemical and microbiological laboratory tests  Hospital level All of the above plus:  Training of health workers in management of severely ill child including triage, evaluation of x-rays

TRAINED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER COMMUNITY	DISPENSARY	HEALTH CENTRE	HOSPITAL	SUGGESTED INPUTS
				Continuous supply of essential drugs for management of the severely sick child, nasogastric tubes, oxygen equipment, self inflating resuscitation bags with masks, folly catheters, Gloves, disinfectants, nebuliser, equipment for lumbar puncture, formulas for management of sever acute malnutrition, equipment for blood transfusion, X-ray facility



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#### 2. IMMUNISATION AND VACCINES PROGRAMME

#### 2.1 Routine Immunization

Table 4 shows the vaccination schedule in Tanzania. This is currently being revised in line with WHO WHO-recommendations. The new schedule is to be implemented by the beginning of 2012 and will provide OPV/Penta at 6, 10, and 14 weeks.

Table 4: Routine Immunization schedule, Tanzania, 2010

S/n	Antigen	Age
1	OPV0	At birth up to 14 days
2	BCG	At birth or first contact
3	OPV1, DTP-HepB-Hib1	4 Weeks of age
4	OPV2, DTP-HepB-Hib 2	8 Weeks of age
5	OPV3, DTP-HepB-Hib 3	12 Weeks of age
6	Measles	9 Months of age
7	Vitamin A – 1st dose	9 Months of age
8	Vitamin A – 2nd dose	15 Months of age
9	Vitamin A – 3rd dose	21 Months of age
10	TT 1	First contact
11	TT 2	1 Month after the 1st dose
12	TT 3	6 Months after the 2nd dose
13	TT 4	1 Year after the 3rd dose
14	TT 5	1 Year after the 4th dose

With Universal Child Immunization (UCI) – a multi-sectoral approach to boost immunization – Tanzania's DPT3 coverage increased from 67% in 1985 to 85% in 1988. Coverage averaged around 80% in the 1990s, with additional support for immunization from DANIDA and other partners; however it dropped after the implementation of Health Sector Reform in 1996 and the creation of the SWAp. In 2001, the country began receiving GAVI support which contributed to increasing coverage from 79% in 2000 to 94% in 2004. However, due to challenges in ensuring dedicated funding for immunization, notably recurrent operational costs, coverage has not reached 90%.

Figure 1. shows the national administrative routine immunization coverage of DPT-Hep-Hib3, OPV3 and measles since 2004 to 2010.

Figure 1: DPT3 Coverage, Tanzania Mainland - 2004 to 2010 → DPT3 — OPV3 → Measles

The most recent immunization coverage survey was conducted September 2008 and results indicate that routine immunization by crude coverage (card and history) by antigen showed that the coverage for BCG

was 98.4%, DTP-HepB3 were 94.7% and measles were 84.8%. Valid coverage based on the card only BCG was 96.7%, DPT-HepB3 80.6% and measles 71.3%.

Tanzania Demographic and Health Survey 2010 results indicates that routine immunization coverage by the time of the survey (according to vaccination card and history) by antigen showed that the coverage for BCG was 95.4%, DTP-HepB3 were 87.8% and measles were 84.5%.

There is a regional performance variation in coverage. The regions of Kigoma, Rukwa, Mbeya, Tabora and Mara have persistently achieved less than 80% coverage since 2007. However the denominators has remain a one of challenges in most the regions.

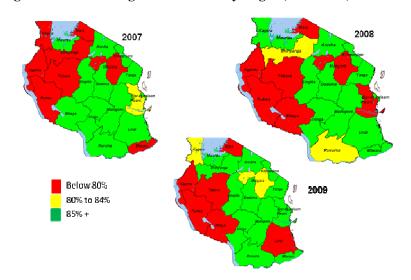


Figure 2: EPI Coverage Performance by Region, Tanzania, 2007-2009

The proportion of districts with DPT3 coverage less than 80% increased from 9.4% in 2004 to 21% in 2010 (Figure 3).

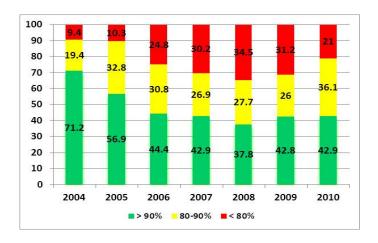


Figure 3: District Performance, Tanzania Mainland, 2004-2010

However, in spite of the decline in coverage in Tanzania Mainland, the number of children vaccinated indicates an upward trend (Figure 4).

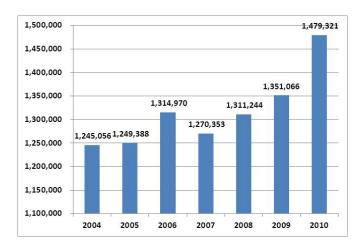


Figure 4: Children Vaccinated, Tanzania Mainland, 2004-2010

In 2009, the country introduced the Reaching Every Child (REC) approach to address the large numbers of unvaccinated children. 51 districts in 16 regions were selected for focused support using 2008 data. The 51 districts had 83.4% (216,185) of the unvaccinated children in the country. Cascaded trainings were conducted on the REC approach up the health facility level, following which implementation of planned activities was done in 510 health facilities. All 51 districts included EPI activities in their Comprehensive Council Health Plans (CCHP).

Other districts still have a high number of unvaccinated children and health facilities do not have microplans to reach the unreached children in the community. Lesson learnt in the 51 councils need to be transferred to other councils in the country on the REC approach.

In addition to REC strategy country will be participating in African Immunization week aiming to boost our immunization coverage (see Table 10).

#### 2.2 New Vaccines Introduction

With GAVI support Hepatitis B vaccine was introduced in January 2002 in the DPT-HepB vaccine formulation and April 2009 Hib vaccine was introduced in the DPT-HepB-Hib (pentavalent) vaccine formulation. The main challenge experienced with the new vaccine introduction was inadequate cold storage capacity, particularly at national and sub national vaccine stores. Due to the inadequate capacity, there was no space for buffer stock at all stores; and the number of vaccine shipments at national level increased from 3 to 8 shipments a year. Expansion of cold chain capacity has been elaborated in section 2.4.2 below.

The country submitted a plan for introduction of pneumococcal vaccines and rotavirus vaccines to GAVI in September 2009. Conditional approval was granted for pneumococcal and rotavirus vaccine introduction. The country is in the process of addressing the conditional approval questions and re-apply for pneumococcal vaccine (PVC13). Pneumococcal vaccine (PCV13) is expected to be introduced by June 2012 and rotavirus (RotaRix) of 2 doses schedule by January 2013.

Other under-used vaccines currently provided in the country outside the EPI schedule are Yellow Fever and meningococcal vaccines to international travellers, anti rabies and TT to injured persons. These vaccines also occupy the cold chain storage space and same staffs are used to administer the vaccines. In November 2009, the GoT got an offer of donation from Merck of 2,000,000 doses of Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine to be given to girls age 10 years (targeting grade 4) which is anticipated to begin in 2011 and be phased in regionally through 2013 (see new vaccine section of Table 9). This donation has brought forward the original plans to introduce HPV vaccine in 2014 and is currently under discussion by the GoT.

Based on the current vaccines given outside the EPI schedule and new vaccines in the pipeline to be provided in Tanzania, it is evident that the EPI Tanzania will no longer target only infants but also wider age groups, which is in line with the Global Immunization Vision Strategy (GIVS).

# ANNEX B. COMPARISON BETWEEN THE EPHS AND THE PRIORITY RMNCH SERVICES

	RMNCH Essential Interventions	Service Included in EPHS	Source and Additional Notes
	Level: Community Primary Referral		
and pre- pregnancy	Family planning (advice, hormonal and barrier methods)	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Prevent and manage sexually transmitted infections, HIV	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that management of HIV is provided at primary care level and above
	Folic acid fortification/supplementation to prevent neural tube defects	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; however, note that iron and folic acid supplementation is provided at primary care level and above
	Level: Primary and Referral		
	Family planning (hormonal, barrier and selected surgical methods)	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Level: Referral		
	Family planning (surgical methods)	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
Pregnancy	Level: Community Primary Referral		
(antenatal)	Iron and folic acid supplementation	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that iron and folic acid supplementation is provided at primary care level and above
	Tetanus vaccination	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that tetanus vaccination is provided at primary care level and above
	Prevention and management of malaria with insecticide treated nets and antimalarial medicines	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that malaria treatment is provided at primary care level and above

RMNCH Essential Intervent	Service ions Included in EPHS	Source and Additional Notes
Prevention and management of sex transmitted infections and HIV, inc with antiretroviral medicines		Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that ARVs are only provisioned at referral level
Calcium supplementation to preve hypertension (high blood pressure)		Source: TEHCIP-Tz mentions identification and treatment of hypertension during antenatal care visits; National Road Map only mentions id and treatment of hypertension during childbirth
Interventions for cessation of smol	king Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz
Level: Primary and Referral		
Screening for and treatment of syp	hilis Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
Low-dose aspirin to prevent pre- eclampsia	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015 "management or referral of pre-eclampsia and eclampsia"
Anti-hypertensive drugs (to treat he blood pressure)	nigh Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz mentions identification and treatment of hypertension during antenatal care visits; National Road Map only mentions id and treatment of hypertension during childbirth
Magnesium sulphate for eclampsia	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015 "management or referral of pre-eclampsia and eclampsia"
Antibiotics for preterm prelabour of membranes	rupture Unspecified	This service was not specified in reviewed documents
Corticosteroids to prevent respira distress syndrome in preterm babi		This service was not specified in reviewed documents
Safe abortion	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz
Post abortion care	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz
Level: Referral		
Reduce malpresentation at term w External Cephalic Version	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015 "Treatment of severe complications in childbirth and the immediate postpartum periodmalpresentations"; External Cephalic Version not specified
Induction of labour to manage prel rupture of membranes at term (ini labour)		Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015

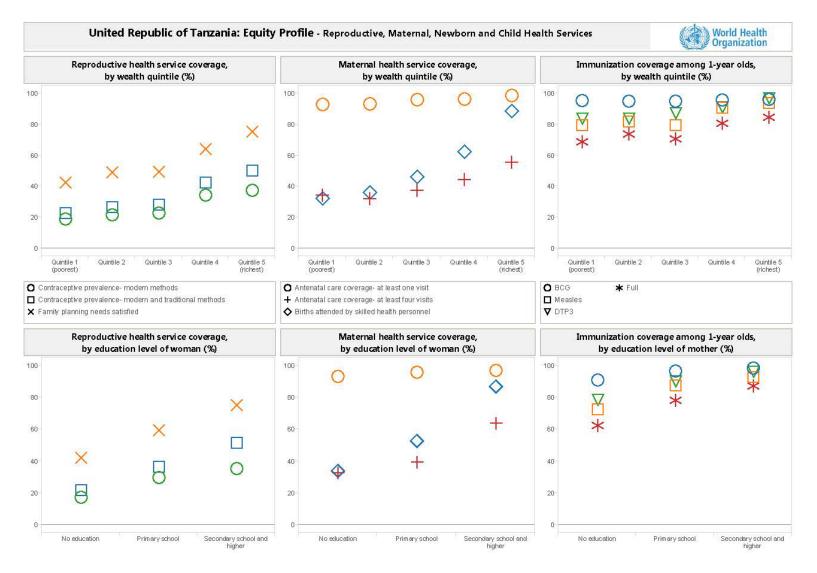
	RMNCH Essential Interventions	Service Included in EPHS	Source and Additional Notes
Childbirth	Level: Community Primary Referral		
	Prophylactic uterotonics to prevent postpartum haemorrhage (excessive bleeding after birth)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that uterotonics provided at primary care level and above
	Manage postpartum haemorrhage using uterine massage and uterotonics	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that uterotonics provided at primary care level and above; uterine massage not specified.
	Social support during childbirth	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Level: Primary and Referral		
	Active management of third stage of labour (to deliver the placenta) to prevent postpartum haemorrhage (as above plus controlled cord traction)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Management of postpartum haemorrhage (as above plus manual removal of placenta)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Screen and manage HIV (if not already tested)	Unspecified	This service was not specified as a service provided during childbirth phase
	Level: Referral		
	Caesarean section for maternal/foetal indication (to save the life of the mother/baby)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Prophylactic antibiotic for caesarean section	Unspecified	This service was not specified in reviewed documents
	Induction of labour for prolonged pregnancy (initiate labour)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Management of postpartum haemorrhage (as above plus surgical procedures)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
Postnatal (Mother)	Level: Community Primary Referral		
	Family planning advice and contraceptives	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Nutrition counselling	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015

	RMNCH Essential Interventions	Service Included in EPHS	Source and Additional Notes
	Level: Primary and Referral		
	Screen for and initiate or continue antiretroviral therapy for HIV	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Treat maternal anaemia		Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Level: Referral		
	Detect and manage postpartum sepsis (serious infections after birth)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
Postnatal	Level: Community Primary Referral		
(Newborn)	Immediate thermal care (to keep the baby warm)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Initiation of early breastfeeding (within the first hour)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Hygienic cord and skin care	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Level: Primary and Referral		
	Neonatal resuscitation with bag and mask (by professional health workers for babies who do not breathe at birth)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Kangaroo mother care for preterm (premature) and for less than 2000g babies	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Extra support for feeding small and preterm babies	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Management of newborns with jaundice ("yellow" newborns)	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Initiate prophylactic antiretroviral therapy for babies exposed to HIV	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that ARVs provided at referral level only
	Level: Referral		
	Presumptive antibiotic therapy for newborns at risk of bacterial infection	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; specifies "Infection prevention, control and rooming-in"

	RMNCH Essential Interventions	Service Included in EPHS	Source and Additional Notes
	Use of surfactant (respiratory medication) to prevent respiratory distress syndrome in preterm babies	Unspecified	This service was not specified in reviewed documents
	Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) to manage babies with respiratory distress syndrome	Unspecified	This service was not specified in reviewed documents
	Case management of neonatal sepsis, meningitis and pneumonia	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; specifies "management of severe newborn problems such as, neonatal sepsis". meningitis and pneumonia not mentioned at this stage
Infancy and	Level: Community Primary Referral		
Childhood	Exclusive breastfeeding for 6 months	Unspecified	This service was not specified in reviewed documents; "counselling about breastfeeding" mentioned generically
	Continued breastfeeding and complementary feeding from 6 months	Unspecified	This service was not specified in reviewed documents; "counselling about breastfeeding" mentioned generically
	Prevention and case management of childhood malaria	Yes	Source: TEHCIP-Tz; National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Vitamin A supplementation from 6 months of age	No	Source: Expanded Program on Immunization 2010- 2015 Comprehensive Multi Year Plan; includes Vit A supplementation from 9 months
	Routine immunization plus <i>H. influenzae</i> , meningococcal, pneumococcal and rotavirus vaccines	Unspecified	Source: Expanded Program on Immunization 2010-2015 Comprehensive Multi Year Plan; note that pneumococcal and rotavirus presumed to be introduced in 2012 and 2013 respectively; meningococcal outside of EPI programme; H. influenzae not specified.
	Management of severe acute malnutrition	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015
	Case management of childhood pneumonia	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015 specifies IMCI for "other childhood illness" but childhood pneumonia not specified
	Case management of diarrhoea	Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; IMCI for diarrhoea specified

	RMNCH Essential Interventions	Service Included in EPHS	Source and Additional Notes	
	Level: Primary and Referral			
Comprehensive care of children infected with, or exposed to, HIV		Yes	Source: National Road Map Strategic Plan to Accelerate Reduction in Maternal, Newborn and Child Deaths in Tanzania 2008-2015; however note that ARVs provided at referral level only	
	Level: Referral			
	Case management of meningitis	Unspecified	This service was not specified in reviewed documents	
Across the continuum of care	Level: Community Strategies			
	Home visits for women and children across the continuum of care	No	Home based care only specified for HIV/AIDS patients	
	Women's groups	No	This service was not specified in reviewed documents and is not clinically related to other specified services	

## ANNEX C: TANZANIA HEALTH EQUITY PROFILE



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