

*Achieving universal primary
health care in Africa through
Public Private Partnership; the
FBO experience*

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Presentation outline

- Background of Kenya
- Introduction to CHAK and FBO health network in Kenya
- MEDS the FBO regional pharmaceutical supply chain in Kenya
- Africa Christian Health Associations Platform (ACHAP)
- Opportunities and challenges of the FBOs franchise model in PHC

Introduction to Kenya

- Kenya is a country in East Africa covering an area of 580,367 square metres with a growing democratic governance system
- Total population is 43m, 22% urban, 60% aged 24 and below
- The total fertility rate of 3.9, life expectancy of 63 years, a population growth rate of 2.4%, GDP growth rate of 4.6%
- HIV prevalence of 5.6% (2012 AIDS indicator survey)

Kenya Health Policy 2012-2030

- Policy Goal

- “Attaining the highest possible standard of health in a manner responsive to the needs of the population”

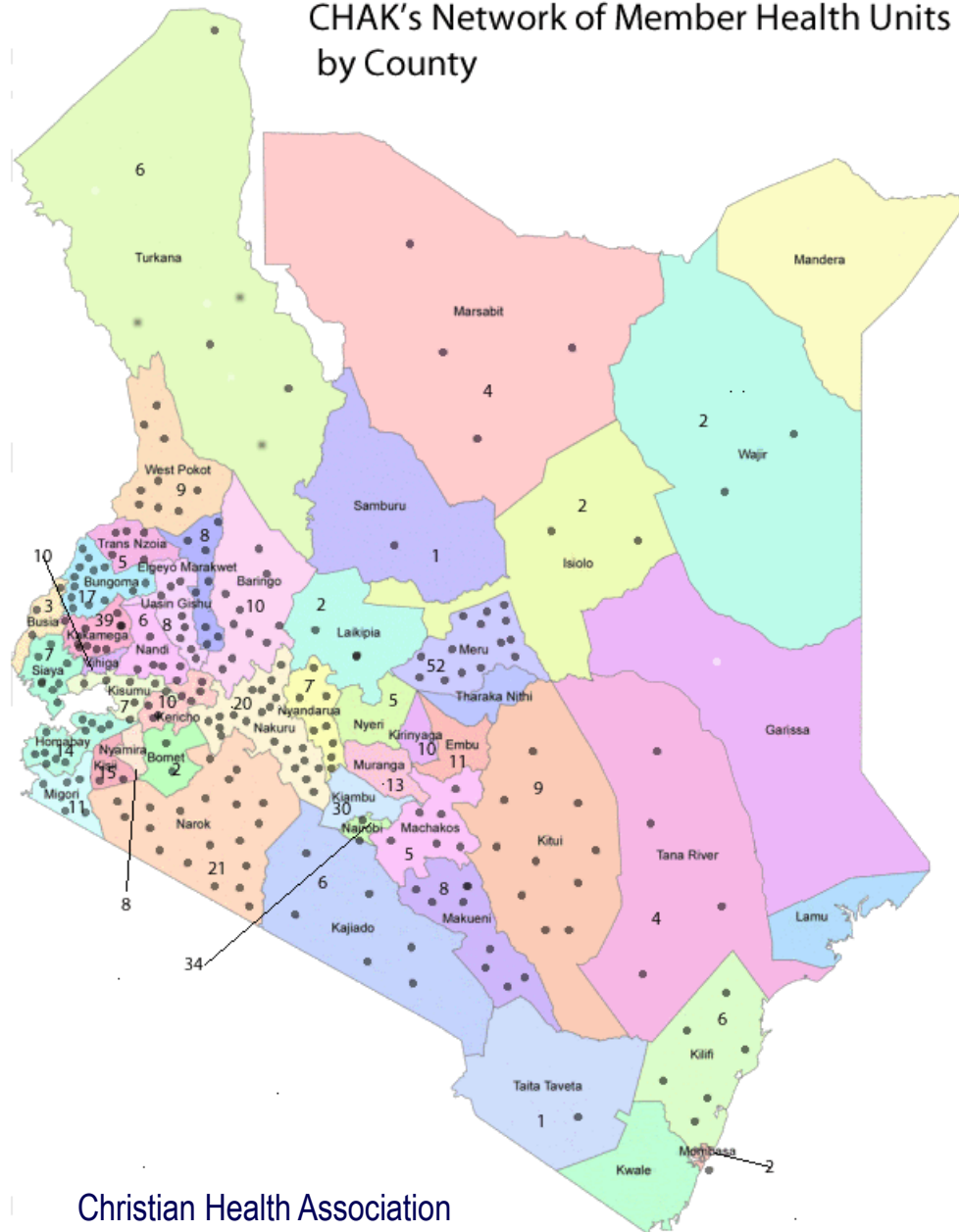
- Policy Focus

- **Realization of the right to health** – as outlined in the Constitution 2010
- **Contribution to development** – towards attainment of the country’s long-term development agenda outlined in **Vision 2030** – which seeks to take Kenya to a competitive middle income country

Christian Health Association of Kenya Background

- CHAK is a **national FBO network** of the Protestant Churches' health facilities, programmes and Medical Training Colleges and Universities.
- **CHAK core functions** include; health service delivery, health systems strengthening (HRH, HMIS, Medical equipment programme, and governance & management capacity building), partnerships & networking and HIV& AIDS programmes.
- **CHAK collaborates** closely with the Catholic Health Commission of Kenya which coordinates the Catholic health facilities - within the framework of the Church Health Services Coordinating Committee.
- The FBOs in Kenya (Christians & Muslims) have a **partnership framework (MoU) with Ministry of Health** that guides partnership engagement, support and accountability. Partnership is coordinated through the Faith Based Health Services Coordinating Committee

CHAK's Network of Member Health Units
by County



Christian Health Association
of Kenya

Membership 563

1. 23 Hospitals
2. 53 Health Centers
3. 381 Dispensaries
4. 63 Churches/church organizations
5. 26 CBHC programmes
6. 14 Medical Training Colleges
7. 4 Universities offering medical programmes

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Pharmaceutical Supply Chain; Mission for Essential Drugs and Supplies
(MEDS) www.meds.or.ke



- MEDS is a partnership trust of CHAK and the Kenya Conference of Catholic Bishops whose mission is *“to provide reliable, quality and affordable essential drugs, medical supplies, training and other pharmaceutical services guided by Christian and Professional values.*

MEDS 3 core functions

1. ***Supply Chain function***: to provide reliable, quality and affordable medical commodities.

The functions include sourcing medical and pharmaceutical products locally and internationally, warehousing, quality control, sale & distribution in a system that ensures equity of access

2. ***Capacity Building/Training function***: to improve the quality of patient care through training, mentorship & other capacity building initiatives

3. ***Quality Control Laboratory***: to ensure stringent quality assurance mechanism for quality products through it's WHO prequalified Lab

MEDS pharmaceutical supply chain in the region



MEDS clientele has grown beyond Kenyan borders to the Countries highlighted in the Map

Africa Christian Health Associations Platform

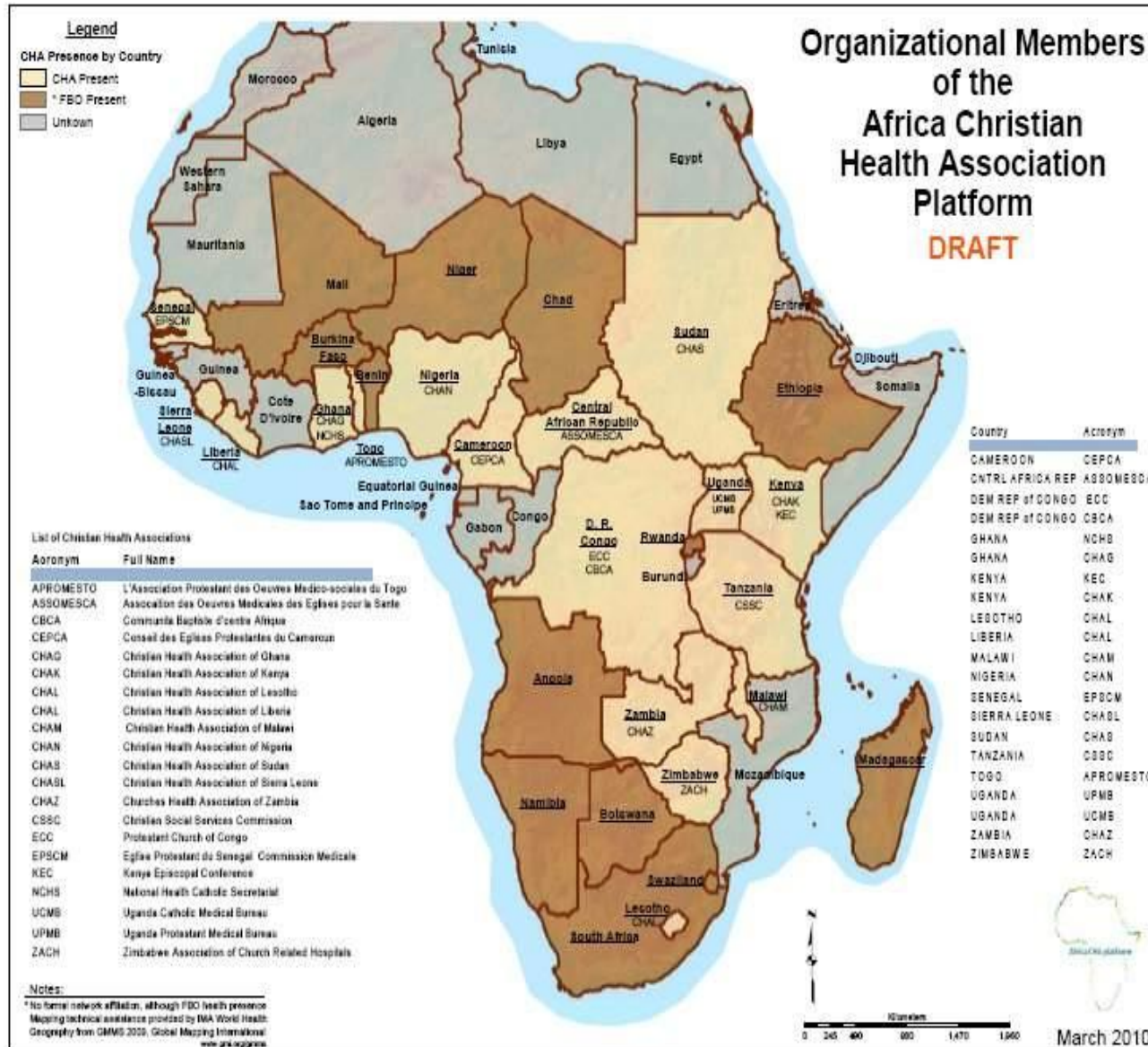


AFRICA CHA PLATFORM

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- The Africa Christian Health Associations Platform (ACHAP) was **established in 2007** through the inspiration and support of the World Council of Churches to facilitate joint advocacy, networking, partnerships and capacity building of Christian Health Associations and other Church Health Networks in Africa. www.africachap.org
- ACHAP brings together **31 Christian Health Associations and other Church Health Networks from 26 countries of Sub-Saharan Africa** and the Secretariat is hosted by CHAK in Nairobi, Kenya. ACHAP provides a platform for joint advocacy, networking, shared learning & information exchange.
- **Registered in Kenya** as an international NGO with mandate in Africa and **Secretariat** is hosted by CHAK in Nairobi

ACHAP Vision, Mission & membership



Vision

“Health and Healing for all in Africa”

Mission

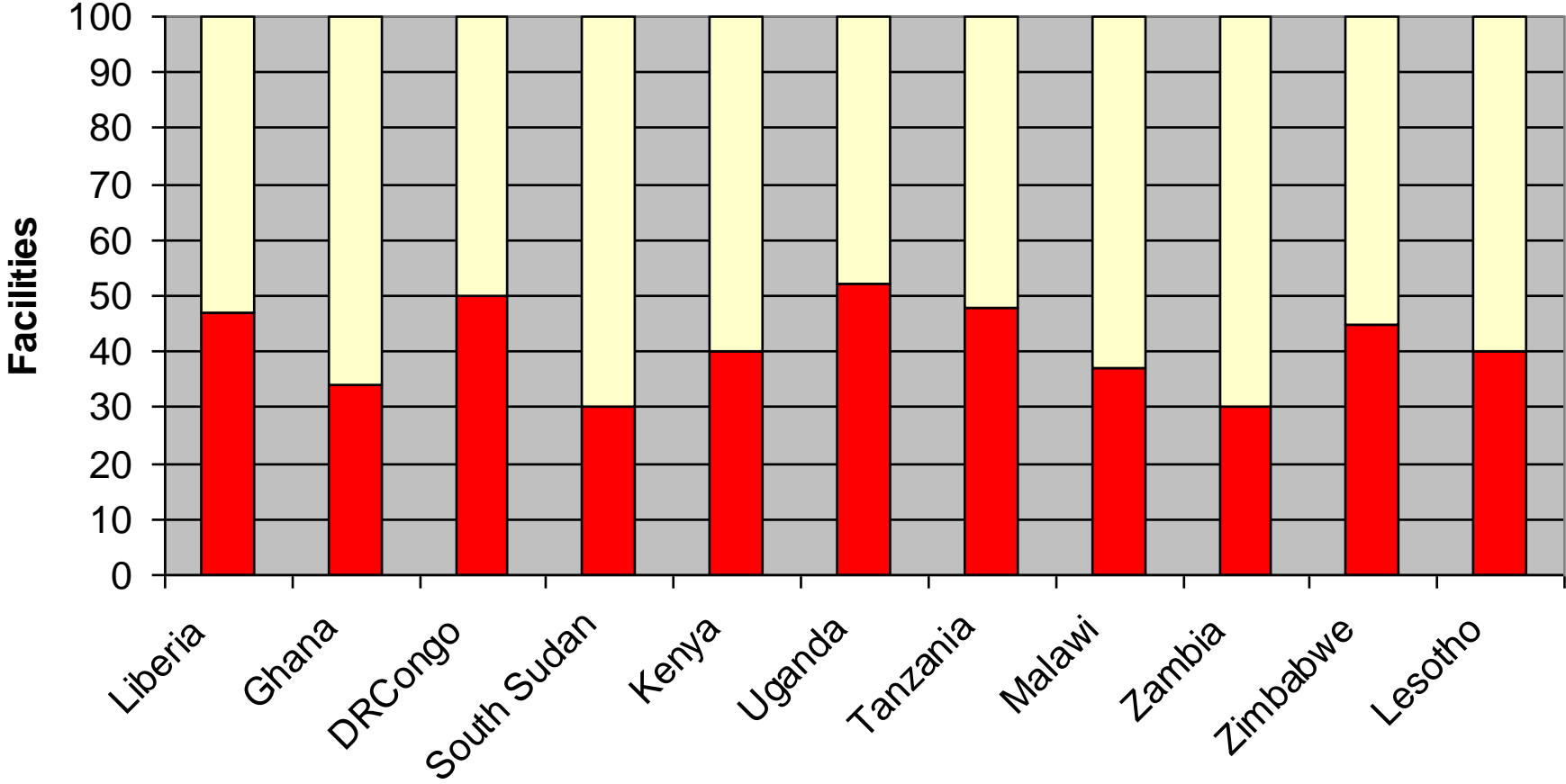
“ACHAP supports Church related health organizations to work and advocate for health for all in Africa, guided by equity, justice and human dignity”.

Objectives

- To **facilitate networking and communication** among Christian Health Associations and other Church Health Networks in Africa.
- To **facilitate joint advocacy** with and for the Christian Health Associations and Church Health Networks in Africa on matters of health development.
- To **support the capacity development** of Christian Health Associations and Church Health Networks to provide quality health care
- To **establish and maintain partnerships** with other institutions and organisations in support of health development in Africa.

Contribution of Christian Health Networks to the National Health Sector in Select African Countries

FBO MoH



FBOs Health System

AGM

- Includes all member health facilities
- The ultimate policy and accountability organ
- Approves partnerships and strategic plans

Secretariat

- Coordinates planning and implementation of plans and policies
- Ensures effective engagement in the health sector
- Facilitates dissemination of Health Policy and its adoption

Health Facilities

- Are located in various parts of the country
- Provide integrated and comprehensive health services
- Are part of the National health referral system
- Contribute to training of health workers

Strategic opportunities in the FBOs PHC franchise model

- Extensive reach from national to community level and particular strength in presence in remote rural areas and urban slums
- Strategic advantage in advocacy with Government and Development partners
- Contributes to HRH training through their Medical Training Colleges and Hospitals
- Economies of scale in essential pharmaceutical commodities procurement
- Facilitates capacity building and networking through experience sharing and peer learning
- Enhances capacity for resource mobilization and accountability
- Provides a framework for effective engagement in the health sector planning, coordination and joint monitoring
- Facilitates health systems strengthening support from MOH/Government

Public-Private-Partnership framework

- Due to their significant contribution FBO health services are **recognized by Government** as key stakeholders in the implementation of the national health sector strategic plans.
- Several countries have a **partnership framework or MoU** between government and the FBO national networks that defines roles and obligations and through which government provides structured support on HRH, essential commodities and resources.
- This partnership framework ensures critical **alignment** with national health sector plans, policies and information system and facilitates financing and sustainability.

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Challenges

- Inadequate funding in a context of rapidly increasing cost of providing health services
- Human Resources for Health (HRH) – inadequate numbers & skills and frequent migration
- Increasing burden of non-communicable diseases eg Cancers, Diabetes, Hypertension and Mental Health. This is adding to the existing burden of HIV, TB and Malaria
- Irregular supply of RH commodities such as Family Planning methods

Thank you

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