

Kenya Program Summary

Kenya's program is focused on reducing public sector corruption by overhauling the public procurement system, with a specific concentration on health care procurements throughout the supply chain. A new public financial management reform strategy, which includes a public procurement component, is being implemented by the Government of Kenya and supported by a coordinated group of donors to reduce opportunities for corruption.

Program Highlights

- ★ Eight workshops were held during the third quarter of 2008 for government of Kenya procuring entities on good procurement practice. To date, 43 government of Kenya procuring entities have participated in these two-day workshops.
- ★ A procurement review of the Kenya Medical Supplies Agency was carried out and the results were published on the internet. This marks a giant step forward in transparency for Kenya where this was a first time occurrence.
- ★ A procurement review of the Ministry of Health has been completed and awaits publication to the Public Procurement Oversight Authority website.
- ★ Public Procurement Oversight Authority staff, the Public Procurement Advisory Board Chair and Secretary and several members of the Public Procurement Administrative Review Board participated in a study tour to the Tanzania Public Procurement Regulatory Authority, which MCC previously supported, in order to hold discussions on improving the Kenyan procurement system.
- ★ In an effort to better monitor the flow of medical supplies, twenty-three national and provincial government of Kenya health staff were trained on quantification of health commodities. Twenty-six government of Kenya health staff were trained on quality assurance systems.
- ★ Fifty-three national and provincial Ministry of Medical staff participated in "training of trainers" workshops on support supervision for health commodity management. This builds sustainability into Kenya's efforts to combat corruption in the healthcare sector by providing for on-going staff development.

Threshold Status

Status.....Implementation, Year 1

Threshold Information

Total Amount.....\$12.7 million

Agreement Signed.....March 23, 2007

Country Information

Population.....34,300,000*

GNI Per Capita Income.....\$540*

*World Development Indicators, World Bank, 2005