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A healthcare worker at Bahati Health Center logs a patient's health information into the county's digital health system.
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KENYA

CLOSING GAPS IN DEVOLVED HEALTH SERVICE DELIVERY FOR SELECT COUNTIES

The “Closing Gaps in Devolved Health Service Delivery for Select Counties” is a five-year project funded by USAID. The project seeks to deepen devolution by strengthening health systems for more accountable and better-financed county health services. The project focuses on addressing key challenges in devolved health governance across three critical areas:

- Financing and efficiency in spending.
- Oversight and accountability mechanisms.
- Alignment of health policies between national and county governments, as well as among county governments.

The Institute of Economic Affairs (IEA) and its partners implement this program in Isiolo, Kakamega, Kilifi, Mombasa and Nakuru Counties.

OUR WORK

To achieve improved delivery of quality health services, the project will focus on four key strategies: Research and evidence generation; development of user-centric information products and platforms; strengthening capacity in public finance management (PFM) and oversight and accountability mechanisms; and policy engagement and advocacy.

What sets this project apart is its collaborative nature. It is central to the implementation of the project to utilize locally designed and led approaches, collaborating closely with county governments (County Treasury, County Department of Health and the County Assembly), while also empowering Local Development Organizations (LDOs). This approach ensures that the stakeholders are active contributors to the project's success.

Objectives

1. To increase the amount and the reliability of health financing and obtain greater efficiency in spending.
2. To reinforce and better institutionalize the oversight and accountability mechanisms in the health sector at the county level.
3. To develop a more robust foundation for aligning health policies and legislations

BUDGET: USD \$7.99 million

DURATION

2023-2028

ACTIVITY LOCATIONS

Isiolo, Kakamega, Kilifi, Mombasa, and Nakuru

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER

Institute of Economic Affairs (IEA) - Kenya

KEY PARTNERS

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