LPPA Annual Report 2015

Summarized Version

The Leader and Pioneer in Reproductive Health Services in Lesotho





General Overview In 2015, LPPA implemented 11 projects which were based on the IPPF strategic focus, the MA 2015 APB, UNFPA country program, Global Fund program on key populations, as well as the JHpiego VMMC program.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 1:

- 1. Access to FP and MCH Services
- 2. Adolescent and Youth-Related SRHR Services
- 3. Access to HIV Prevention and Care Services.
- 4. Strengthening LPPA GBV programming

General Overview Cont.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 2:

Resource Mobilization Initiatives

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 3:

Capacity Building of LPPA Employees and Volunteers to Enhance Effectiveness

Building LPPA Accountability and Governance

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 4:

Knowledge Management and Monitoring and Evaluation

Restricted Projects:

Improving Maternal and Child Health funded by UNFPA

HIV prevention through VMMC service provision funded by JHpiego

Mobile SRH services for Sex Workers funded under Global Fund

ACCESS TO FP & MCH SERVICES Overall Objectives: To contribute to reduction of maternal mortality from 1,155 deaths per 100,000 live births to 300 deaths per 100,000 live births by 2015

Main Achievements:

- UNFPA and UNAIDS donating 5 desktop computers to the MA for HIV/SRH integration data. This included a consultant who developed SRH data base, as well as temporary data clerks for clinic SRH data entry.
- Material, financial and human support from MOH, UNFPA, JHpiego, MSF and Global Fund, MOH supported with FP commodities and cryotherapy equipment

Main achievements Cont.

- UNFPA supported with finances for outreach program, and a 4x4 Ford Ranger vehicle
- Global Fund has supported the MA with a mobile clinic, a driver, a nurse and HTC counselor to offer SRH services to key populations
- MSF has donated a 4x4 Land Cruiser car,3 prefab structures, renovated one room for sterilization, and donated sterilization equipment and 2 pima machines to the MA, and has further provided a training to 4 MA service providers on the use of a sterilizer
- JHpiego provided support with a sessional doctor, 2 nursing sisters, HTC Counselor and receptionist for VMMC, as well as financial support for mobilization

Lessons Learnt and Main Constraints

• Lessons Learnt:

- Reduced dependency on the central laboratory, since the acquisition of PIMA machines by LPPA provides timely care and treatment to PLWHA
- Acceptance of long-term methods increased CYP
- Main Constraints:
- Stock outs of injectable during the second half of the year nationwide
- Delay in disbursement of funds by some donors impacts negatively on the performance of the MA

ADOLESCENT AND YOUTH-RELATED SRHR SERVICES

Overall Objective: To reduce teenage pregnancies among girls and to promote access to ASRH services to young people of both sexes in the context of youth participation and overall empowerment

Main Achievements:

There are more young people who participate in the ASRH discussions on the Thakaneng Facebook

The MA youth continues to inspire other youth, especially during their school visits where they are invited to hold peer to peer sessions

Lessons Learnt and Main Constraints

Lessons Learnt:

• There is an opportunity to reach a lot of young people through social media as most young people are into Facebook, twitter, WhatsApp

Main Constraints:

 It is difficult to retain youth volunteers as most of them move from one place to another in search of job and school opportunities. The movement to South Africa for job opportunities and education is common countrywide **Project Title:** Access to HIV Prevention and Care Services **Overall Objective:** To contribute to prevention of HIV infections as well as reduction of morbidity and mortality related to HIV and AIDS

- Main Achievements:
- The MA has received two pima machines from MSF. This speeds up the process of initiation of ART to clients
- 567 males were circumcised. JHpiego supported LPPA with a VMMC doctor and paid salaries of 2 VMMC nurses, one Counsellor and receptionist
- Through the support of Global Fund, the MA offered Mobile family planning and HIV testing and ART services to 548 female sex workers.

Lessons Learnt and Main Constraints

Lessons Learnt:

- There is a need for new strategies to help people transform information into behavior change; inspite of efforts to educate people about HIV, there still are new HIV infection
- Integration of HIV and SRH reduces stigma and discrimination of clients

Main Constraints:

• The MA faced a challenge of treating some OIs at the ART corner because the government did not provide treatment for such. Project Title: GRS Overall Objective: To highlight the vulnerabilities faced by children and women in order to enhance their support from relevant sectors.

Main Achievements:

- The MA has managed to develop Gender Equality Policy, GBV Policy, as well as to review the HR manual and Client Exit interview tool to integrate GRS component
- The MA has managed to undertake a study on intimate partner violence
- GRSO attended an Inter-regional Learning and Sharing exercise which was held in Malaysia.

Lessons Learnt and Main Constraints Lessons Learnt:

- Since Gender is still a new concept in the MA and in the country at large, an extensive learning and research is required to inform strategies in addressing GBV.
- There is a need to raise awareness about how our cultural and religious practices perpetuate GBV in our society

Main Constraints

• The implementation of the FORD project was not easy because the MA depended on the operations of the Ministry of Gender, Youth, Sports and Recreation's 'One-Stop Centre' facility.

Project Title: Resource Mobilization Initiatives Overall Objective: To improve financial sustainability of LPPA

Main Achievements:

- The MA has managed to remove the deficit that it was serving for the past 2 years
- Ma has received two vehicles from UNFPA and MSF.
- MA received Office equipment from ALAFA.
- MA was approached by several agencies for CHASE partnership.

Lessons Learnt and Main Constraints

Lessons Learnt:

- Volunteers and staff need to be empowered to take control in mobilizing resources.
- The MA seems to have gained a lot of credibility among local donors.

• Main Constraints:

• Some partnerships are not sustainable due to their short duration.

Project Title Capacity Building of LPPA Employees and Volunteers to enhance effectiveness

Overall Objective: To enhance the effectiveness of LPPA in implementing IPPF's strategic frame work

Main Achievements:

- The MA CE was honored by IPPF to provide mentorship to a sister MA in Namibia (NAPPA)
- Two LPPA service providers were provided with skills in addressing the SRH needs of key populations
- The MA has beefed up its M&E department through the recruitment of the M&E Officer
- The Directors of Finance and Programs were invited to a training by IPPF to prepare them for implementation of the new Strategic Plan.

Lessons learnt and Main constraints

• Lessons Learnt:

- In recognition of its good performance and compliance to IPPF standards, LPPA was thus chosen for mentorship role in Namibia
- Main Constraints:
- The capacity of LPPA is still affected by lack of physical structures in some districts where it is operating

Project Title: GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Overall Objective: To build a strong institution to champion the sexual and reproductive health and rights agenda in Lesotho

Main Achievements

- As a result of the guidance from the Finance and Program Committees, the MA was able to properly use its funds and submitted timely reports to donors and stakeholders.
- The NEC reviewed and validated the annual report of 2014, planned the annual general meeting (AGM), where new the new NEC was successfully elected. The newly elected NEC reviewed Half year report 2015, Strategic Plan 2016-2020 and APB 2016.

Lessons learnt and Main Constraints

Lessons Learnt

• There is a need to capacitate volunteers with different skills including resource mobilization skills

Main Constraints

• Current polarized political climate in the country

Project Title: Knowledge Management and Monitoring and Evaluation

Overall Objective: To build a sustainable, innovative accountable Association with effective and efficient management systems.

Qualitative Analysis of the Project

Main Achievements

- Partnerships with JHpiego and UNFPA have been renewed, and MA has signed MOU with Ministry of Health, which will facilitate access to SRH commodities, including Family Planning and HIV
- Global Fund supports MA on addressing key populations
- Lessons Learnt
- Regular reports strengthen accountability to Donors and volunteers
- Main Constraints
- Current polarized political climate in the country



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