



# MINISTRY OF HEALTH GARISSA COUNTY

## HEALTH SECTOR MONITORING AND EVALUATION PLAN

July 2013 – June 2018

### GOAL

To provide a coordinated and effective system that allows comprehensive quality reporting, monitoring, and evaluation (accountability of health interventions to the citizenry of Garissa County) for evidence-based decision making.

### VISION STATEMENT

A healthy and productive county.

### MISSION

To provide quality, accessible, and affordable health care services that are innovative and culturally acceptable to the people of Garissa County.

### Development of the plan

The development of the Garissa County health sector monitoring and evaluation (M&E) plan is in line with the implementation of the *Garissa County Health Sector Strategic Plan (2013-18)*, which considered a wide range of policies and issues regarding county health.

The M&E plan is based on inclusive partnership between the health sector, other line Ministries, and partners within the County Government of Garissa. The development of this plan was consultative and participatory, involving key stakeholders from the county government, the national government, partners, and the private sector. A team from the Ministry of Health in Garissa County and its partners were identified and developed the plan.

### Why the plan?

The overall purpose of this M&E plan is geared towards improving the accountability, efficiency, and effectiveness of the county's health sector services, with a focus on strengthening the county's capacity for information generation, validation, analysis, dissemination, and use by addressing the priorities outlined in this document and throughout each health sector level.

The County assembly, its citizens, the private sector, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), civil society, international organizations, and donors are key stakeholders interested in improved performance to achieve sustainable socio-economic development. As the demand for greater accountability and results has increased, Garissa County recognizes the need for an enhanced results-based M&E plan at the county level to guide the implementation of the *County Health Sector Strategic and Investment Plan 2013-2018* and track and measure progress and performance against it.

M&E is a powerful public management tool that can be used to improve the way county governments and organizations harness their efforts to achieve results. Just as we need financial, human resource, and accountability systems, we also need good performance feedback systems. The Garissa County Health Sector Monitoring and Evaluation Plan (July 2013 – June 2018) will provide information for informed evidence-based decision-making in the county. It also moves away from traditional implementation-based approaches towards new results-based approaches.

### **What are the benefits of the plan?**

This plan details the goals, objectives, inputs, outputs, outcomes, and impact that all stakeholders are expected to use for M&E of all health intervention areas in Garissa County. Additionally, it addresses data collection, data collation, analysis, interpretation, and synthesis of information, how information should be shared, reporting, feedback mechanisms, and roles and responsibilities of the various stakeholders.

### **How will the plan be used?**

The plan assists the county health set to assess the progress it has made towards achieving the objectives and targets stipulated in the *Garissa County Health Sector Strategy and Investment Plan* (July 2013 – June 2018). It is envisaged that it will provide the basis for quality routine data collection and strengthen data dissemination and information use at all health sector levels. Moreover, it will be used as a tool to institutionalize mechanisms for measuring information quality at all delivery points.

### **Who can use the plan?**

This plan primarily targets officials faced with myriad challenges, including: managing results; harmonizing the county and national indicator sets; generating indices; and sharing results in a timely manner to partners in the scheduled forums convened by the Garissa County health sector team.

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Key County outputs**

The expected key outputs of the plan are:

1. A functional, integrated, and well-coordinated county M&E system.
2. Performance reports (monthly, progress, and annual performance).
3. Regular and timely data on health service delivery and health resources.
4. Regular updates on core performance indicators.
5. Comprehensive county health infrastructure for M&E.

### **Key County outcomes**

This plan should result in:

1. Timely reporting on all health indicators.
2. Objective decision making for performance improvement, planning, and resource allocation.
3. Overall accountability.
4. Evidence-based policy development.
5. Tracking the implementation of the *Garissa County Health Sector Strategic and Investment Plan's* progress, and the reporting and sharing of its information.

### **Who can access the plan?**

The plan will be accessible to all from the County Government website. In the meantime, *for more information* please contact:

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