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## **Research for Actionable Policies:**

Implementation Science Priorities to Scale Up Non-Communicable Disease Interventions in Kenya

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## Research for Actionable Policies: Implementation Science Priorities to Scale Up Non-Communicable Disease Interventions in Kenya

There is an urgent need to implement interventions to reduce the growing burden from non-communicable diseases (NCDs) in Kenya. Although there are many ongoing research studies and demonstration programs, it is not clear whether these activities are addressing the evidence needs and priorities to support Kenya's NCD strategy. Understanding the current research landscape and identifying gaps will allow for the creation of a roadmap for implementation research that will provide a common framework to develop the evidence base for actionable policies. Implementation science is the study of methods to promote the integration of research findings and evidence into healthcare policy and practice. We are convening this symposium to share ongoing research, identify research needs and formulate a coordinated road-map to guide future implementation research in Kenya.

The goals of the symposium are to

- Catalog promising and innovative strategies applicable to the Kenyan setting;
- Identify gaps in research for implementing cost-effective interventions to reduce the burden from NCDs;
- Assess areas that require research capacity building; and
- Create a road map for implementation science research to advance NCD prevention and control (published in a peer-reviewed journal).

Thank you for participating and contributing to the development of the implementation science research agenda for Kenya.

Sincerely,

### **Symposium Organizing Committee**

Dr. Sujha Subramanian, RTI (Co-Chair)

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Professor Gerald Yonga, NCD Alliance Kenya (Co-Chair)

Ms. Anne Korir, Kenya Medical Research Institute

Professor Walter Mwanda, University of Nairobi

Dr. Rose Rao, Independent Advisor



# Agenda

### DAY 1 | WEDNESDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2016

9:00 – 9:25 Welcome: Day 1 of Symposium

Importance of developing the implementation science research agenda and shared framework for Kenya

J. Kibachio, Kenya MOH

Role of civil society in formulating the implementation science research agenda

G. Yonga, NCDAK

9:25 – 10:20 Session 1: The Burden of NCDs

Chairperson: M. Gebremedhin, RTI

Summary of findings from the Kenya STEPwise survey

G. Gathecha, Kenya MOH

Tobacco related NCD burden and overview of policy initiatives

D. Kiptui, Kenya MOH

Diabetes burden and prevention activities in Kenya

Z. Muriuki, Kenya MOH

Hypertension prevalence and risk factors in Sub-Saharan Africa

J. Kayima, Uganda Heart Institute

10:20 - 10:50 Coffee/Tea Break

10:50 – 11:20 Session 2: Keynote Address

Dr. Cleopa Mailu, Cabinet Secretary of Health, Kenya MOH

11:20 – 12:15 Session 3: MOH-RTI Kenya NCD Strategic Planning Study

Chairperson: S. Subramanian, RTI

The RTI-PAR model: Findings on risk factor exposures and NCD mortality

B. Munoz, RTI

The RTI-CVD-RISK model: Benefits of risk based treatment for hypertension

R. Hilscher, RTI

Cost of NCD screening, diagnosis and treatment

R. Gakunga, RTI Consultant

**Prioritization of NCD interventions** 

S. Subramanian, RTI

12:15 – 13:15 Lunch

13:15 – 13:45 Session 4: Role of Research and NCDs – Kenya Medical Research Institute

Perspective

Dr. Evans Amukoye, The Deputy Director for Research, Planning and Development, KEMRI

13:45 – 14:40 Session 5: Strategic Planning, Policies and Prioritization for NCDs

Chairperson: G. Yonga, NCDAK

What has worked in the U.S. setting?

J. Husain, CDC

The Kenyan perspective on NCDs

J. Kibachio, Kenya MOH

The Tanzanian perspective on NCDs

A. Magimba, Tanzania MOH

The Ugandan perspective on NCDs

G. Mutungi, Uganda MOH

#### DAY 1 | WEDNESDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2016

14:40 – 15:35 Session 6: Integrated Healthcare Delivery and Financing of NCD Services

Chairperson: W. Mwanda, UoN

Integrating breast cancer and NCD screening at Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital

N. Busakhala, AMPATH

Integrated healthcare models and their implications on NCDs screening, diagnosis, and treatment

D. von Rège, MSF

Community and primary care based approach: Findings from the Healthy Heart Africa

E. Ogola, UoN

Kenya National Health Insurance Fund benefits and coverage package

J. Njoroge, NHIF

15:35 – 16:05 **Coffee/Tea Break** 

16:05 – 17:00 Session 7: Data Needs for Planning and Evaluating NCD Interventions

Chairperson: G. Gathecha, Kenya MOH

Cancer registration in Kenya: Plans for expanding coverage

A. Korir, KEMRI

Lessons learned from the stroke pilot study

L. Kaduka, KEMRI

Implementing a cloud-based point-of-care EMR: successes and challenges

J. Dick, AMPATH

The informatics system and databases at Kenyatta National Hospital

J. Mwangi, KNH

17:00 – 18:20 Session 8: Group Discussion on Key Themes of the Symposium

Chairperson: R. Nugent, RTI

17:00 – 17:10 Overview of Group Exercise and Assignment

Chairpersons: R. Nugent, G. Yonga, A. Korir

17:10 – 17:40 **Group Breakout Discussion** 

**Group 1: Planning** (*Practice guidelines development, national estimates of disease burden, data collection at the population level, economic burden for resource allocation, knowledge dissemination and policy advocacy*)

**Group 2: Implementation** (Service delivery model in health facilities and communities, training of providers, patient education and communication)

**Group 3: Monitoring and Evaluating** (Data collection systems at the community and facility levels, epidemiology studies, economic analyses including cost-effectiveness and cost-benefit analysis of programs)

17:40 – 18:20 **Group Reports** (Spokesperson to be determined for each group)

Discussion

18:20 – 18:30 **Day 1 Symposium Wrap Up** 

18:30 – 20:00 Reception and Networking

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DAY 2   THURSDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2016	
9:00 – 9:20	Welcome: Day 2 of Symposium
	RTI's role in international health and NCDs P. Weisenfeld, RTI
	Introducing RTI's new Global NCD Initiative: Research priorities R. Nugent, RTI
9:20 - 9:50	Session 9: Role of Research and NCDs – University of Nairobi Perspective
	Prof. Lucy Irungu, Deputy Vice Chancellor of Research, Production and Extension (RPE), UoN
9:50 – 10:45	Session 10: Cancer – Need for Implementation Research and Infrastructure Strengthening
	Chairperson: A Korir, KEMRI
	The National Cancer Institute: Strategic initiatives for cancer prevention and control A. Karagu, MOH
	Exploring integration of Education and screening for cancer and other NCDs into HTC counselling services in Nairobi, Kenya  D. Olwal, KENCASA
	Comprehensive oncology diagnosis and treatment: Essential component of a

screening program

W. Mwanda, UoN

Strengthening cancer diagnosis at the grassroots: World Bank's East Africa Public **Health Lab Networking pilot project** 

R. Njoroge, MOH

#### 10:45 – 11:15 **Coffee/Tea Break**

#### 11:15 – 11:45 Session 11: Panel Discussion with Ministers of Health on County Perspective

Chairperson: R. Rao, Independent Advisor

B. Muia, Nairobi County

E. Ogaja, Kisumu County

J. Mwangi, Kiambu County

#### 11:45 – 12:50 Session 12: The Patient Perspective – Increasing Awareness of NCD Risk Factors and Reducing the Burden

Chairperson: E. Ogola, UoN

#### Health communication and patient behavior change for NCD prevention and control

P. Williams, RTI

#### Delivering palliative care to cancer patients in Kenya

E. Munyoro, KNH

Chemotherapy treatments: challenges and opportunities for improving patient outcomes

D. Wata, KNH

Economic Effects of Non-Communicable Diseases on household income in Kenya D. Mwai, UoN

#### Afya credit incentives for improved maternal and child health

O. Sangoro, SEI Africa Centre

#### DAY 2 | THURSDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2016

12:50 – 13:50 **Lunch** 

13:50 – 14:55 Session 13: Public-Private Partnerships on Access to NCD Treatments

Chairperson: H. Meme, KEMRI

GE Healthcare's sustainable healthcare initiatives

G. Abbam, GE Healthcare/DITTA

**Healthy Heart Africa initiative** 

S. Rosin, AstraZeneca

Overview of Roche's initiatives in Kenya

C. Ngoh, Roche

**Novartis Access Program in Kenya** 

A. Gitau, Novartis

Investing in Africa to close the gap in access to diabetes care: Focus on Kenya

C. Olale, Danish Embassy, and A Chakava, NovoNordisk

14:55 – 15:40 Session 14: Panel Discussion – Lessons Learned from the Symposium and

Recommendations

**Chairperson:** S. Subramanian and R. Nugent, RTI

H. Meme, KEMRI

J. Nato, WHO Kenya

G. Abbam, GE Healthcare/DITTA

G. Yonga, NCDAK

M. Amuyunzu-Nyamongo, AIHD

W. Mwanda, UoN

15:40 – 16:00 **Closing Remarks** 

J. Kibachio, Kenya MOH

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