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Accelerate is a Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) program funded by the Embassy of Denmark in Kenya and implemented in a consortium led by Population Services Kenya (PS KENYA) in partnership with Gender Violence Recovery Centre (GVRC) and Population Services International (PSI).

The program contributes towards ICPD25 Promise of zero unmet need for contraception, zero preventable maternal deaths and zero gender-based violence and harmful practices. Accelerate focuses on 13 underserved, hard-to-reach Counties of Baringo, Elgeyo Marakwet, Garissa, Homa Bay, Kajiado, Kilifi, Kwale, Mandera, Marsabit, Nairobi, Narok, Samburu, and West Pokot.

These Counties share common challenges that includes:

- a) poor SRHR indicators including high adolescent pregnancy rate above the national average;
- b) low access to youth friendly and inclusive SRHR services;
- c) High incidences of GBV (including physical and sexual violence);
- d) High Maternal Morbidity and Mortality (prioritized MCH Counties);
- e) high HTP prevalence (including child marriage & FGM).



GOAL

The goal of Accelerate is to reduce maternal mortality and morbidity, reduce the unmet need for SRHR (including family planning) and contribute to the reduction in the prevalence of GBV (including HTPs).

TARGET GROUPS

Adolescent /youth (girls): Accelerate targets this group so that they have an opportunity to plan their lives without the risk of unplanned pregnancies, GBV and HTPs that infringe on their rights and dignity; Women and girl survivors of GBV; Accelerate increases their awareness and remove physical, socio-cultural and economic barriers to reporting abuse and accessing services. Boys and men are engaged to shape their attitudes towards gender equality and to play a bigger role in protecting women and girls' rights; Poor women, marginalized groups (including LGBT+ & PWDs) and those living in hard-to-reach (including rural) areas who are often left behind in many SRHR and GBV programs.



ACCELERATE THEORY OF CHANGE

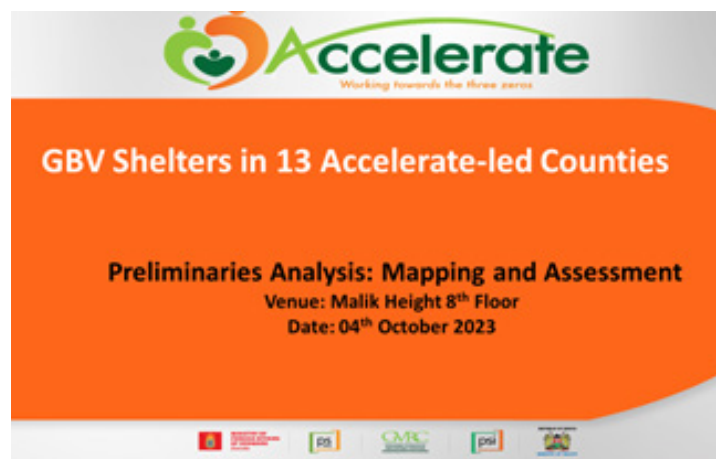
The Theory of Change rests on assumption that ultimately, the effort to strengthen women and girls' human rights, reduce GBV and improve SRHR are linked to prevailing discriminatory socio-cultural norms, attitudes, and beliefs. While legislative and policy reforms have established a basis for gender equality across all sectors, gaps still exist in addressing negative sexual and gender norms at the individual, institutional and societal level to facilitate sustainable and transformative gender equality changes across Kenya. The underlying assumption is that these socio-cultural norms, attitudes, behavior and beliefs will be amenable to change once individuals have been exposed to the program interventions that aim at increasing knowledge on human rights, promoting gender quality & prevention of GBV and engaging men and boys to shape their attitudes towards gender equality and foster greater respect for girls and women's rights.



Link to SDGs

Accelerate contributes to SDG 1 (no poverty), SDG 3 (good health and well-being), SDG 5 (gender equality), SDG 10 (reduced inequalities), and SDG 16 (peace, justice and strong institutions).

PROGRAM IMPACT



Accelerate is implementing operational research and adapting as programming progresses

The program has mapped GBV shelters in the 13 counties for additional funding

Kenya GBV Scorecard Q3/2022

GBV Scorecard: Kenya (Q3/2022)

Country Indicators

Scorecard

Region	Respond to GBV within a multi-sectoral and legal framework				
	Proportion of survivors presenting within 72 hours	Proportion of eligible survivors initiated on RHP	Proportion of survivors given EC	Proportion of survivors given ST prophylaxis	Proportion of survivors given PEP
All Kenya	75%	82%	88%	88%	88%
Baringo	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Bomet	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Bungoma	87%	87%	87%	87%	87%
Busia	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Elgeyo/Marakwet	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Embu	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Garissa	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Isiasho	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Kitale	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Laikipia	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Malindi	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Mandera	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Marsabit	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Mombasa	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Muramba	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Nairobi	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Narok	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Nyeri	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Siaya	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Uasin Gishu	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Wajir	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
West Pokot	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Yala	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Zakara	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Indicator: Proportion of survivors presenting within 72 hours

Formula: $\frac{\text{No. of survivors presenting within 72 hours}}{\text{Total survivors seen}}$

Target: 80%

Reporting frequency: Quarterly