



GAINING MOMENTUM FOR CHANGE

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Presentation Layout

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 - Free Health care





Background

Total Population(2010 projection)

13,602,972

2001

2007

ANC Coverage (1 visit) 93%

93%

ANC Coverage (4 visits) 70%

63%

Institutional deliveries 43%

48%

Neonatal Mortality Rate 37/1000

34/1000

Post Natal Attendance 23%

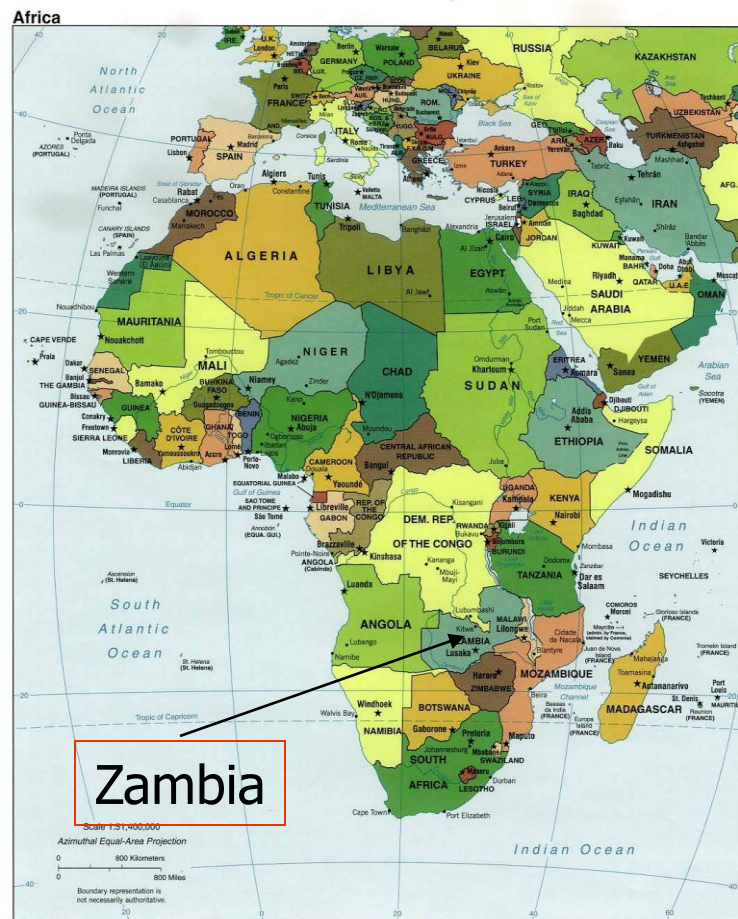
39%

Maternal Mortality Ratio 729/100000

591/100000

Under five Mortality Rate 168/1000

119/1000





Policies in place

- Child Health Policy (2006)
 - Preventive (PHC)
 - Curative
- Nutrition Policy
 - Policy on Infant and Young Child Feeding in place & Operational Strategy developed
 - Statutory Instrument on Marketing Breast- milk substitutes now under enforcement
- Reproductive Health Policy





How did we achieve results-1

- Analysis of Problem at hand
 - Human resource crisis
 - 40 years needed to produce number of doctors required
 - 20 years needed to produce number of nurses required
- Urgent and immediate feasible solution
 - Task Shifting
 - Take services as close as possible to the family
 - Community Health Worker Strategy- Shifting of tasks from health workers to CHWs (this meant upgrading of skills and knowledge)





Taking stock of the position

- National Countdown conference
 - All stakeholder participated
 - Took stock of achievements/ trends of coverage of various high impact interventions, inequities in health service delivery,
 - Took stock of bottlenecks impeding achievement of universal coverage of high impact interventions,
 - This process helped to reposition the priorities to focus on what need to be done for maximum impact to be realised



Gaining momentum-Policy change 1

- Development of the Community Health Worker Strategy process:
 - MOH constituted small technical team to draft policy framework
 - Multi sectoral collaboration
 - Engagement of Ministers of health, finance and education
 - Public Service management Division brought on board
 - Professional bodies as well as regulatory authorities engaged- Medical Council of Zambia, General Nursing Council, Zambia Medical Association, Pharmaceutical Regulatory Authority and other civil society organizations





Gaining momentum-Policy change2

- Development of the Community Health Worker Strategy process contd:
 - Government Approval process-Cabinet Memorandum prepared for Minister of Health to present in cabinet chaired by the President. Conveyance given.
 - Consensus building with all stakeholders on the implementation plan
- Community case management:
 - Home management for malaria is implemented in selected districts and now in the process of adding pneumonia and diarrhoea





Gaining momentum

- Creating demand in Community

- MOH recognition of the vital role that communities can play in their own health
- Various interventions in place but coverage still needs to be increased
 - Immunisation, Community IMCI, Child Health Weeks, SMAGs, New born care
- Communication of appropriate messages
 - MNCH Communication strategy developed and finalised
 - Implementation of various BCC activities for communities and families





Gaining momentum Free Health care

- Government realising the negative impact of user fees on health service delivery abolished these fees in order to increase access to health services





Gaining momentum

- Costed Roadmap for Maternal, Child and Newborn to guide implementation of interventions at all levels





Thank you for listening

