Meru has a higher rate of teenage pregnancy than Kenya as a whole. Providing adolescents with contraception can:

- Help young women stay in school.
- Support young women’s economic development.
- Promote healthier planned pregnancies and births.

Funding Needed to Fully Implement Family Planning Services in:

**Family Planning (FP) Budget Allocations Have Increased but Remain Small Share of Health Budget**

- Every 100 KES spent on FP saves 225 KES on maternal and child health costs.
- 5.8% of health budget
- 127.5 million KES in 2015/16
- 128.2 million KES in 2016/17
- 184.3 million KES in 2017/18

**Is Meru Fulfilling Its FP2020 Commitment?**

- Does Not Have FP Budget Line
- Costed Implementation Plan

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**Median age at first:**

- SEX: 17
- BIRTH: 21
- MARRIAGE: 21
- CONTRACEPTIVE USE: 22

**FP Programming in Meru Requires More Funds**

- Create a FP budget line to fully fund the CIP.
- Integrate FP with health services at the facility-level.
- Dedicate specific funds for adolescent FP programming.

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