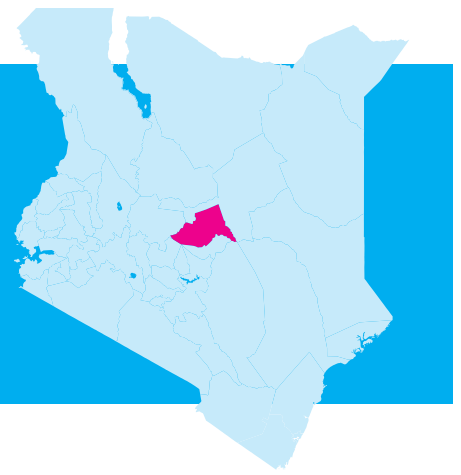


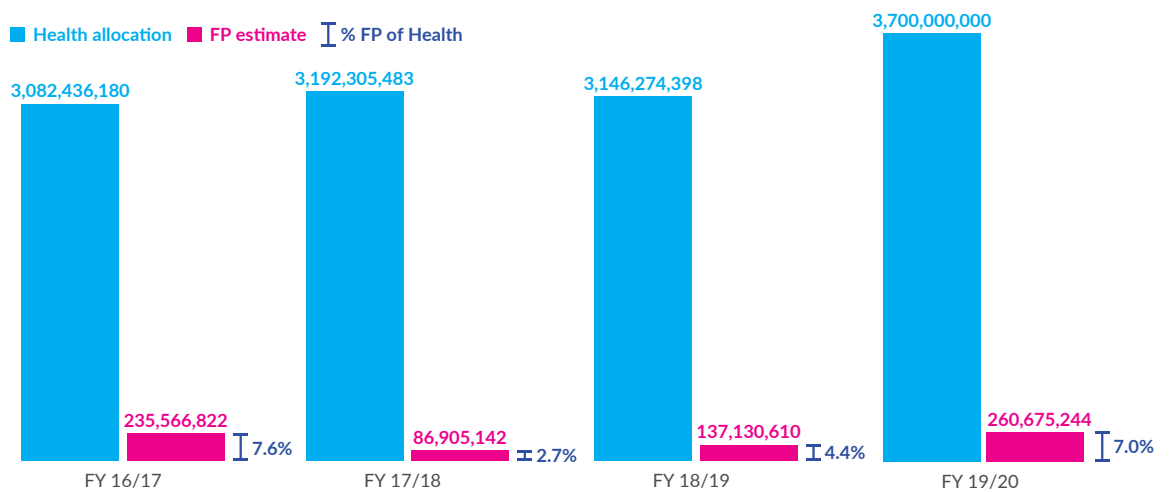
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Family planning budget analysis 2019/20



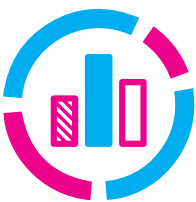
FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET ESTIMATE

The budget analysis conducted in October 2019 shows that the **County Government of Meru does not have a budget line for family planning** for FY 2019/2020. However, indirect **family planning allocation*** by the County Government of Meru was estimated for the period 2016/2017 to 2019/2020 as follows:



To arrive at these estimates, our study examined the following documents: Budget Policy Statement (BPS), Programme Budget Estimates, County Implementation Reports, Budget Review and Outlook Papers, sector budget documents from the MoH¹, RMHSU², KNH³ and MTRH⁴.

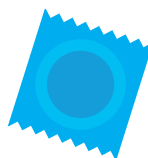
* Indirect allocation for family planning by County Governments was estimated per county based on workload statistics from the District Health Information System (DHIS) and subjected to county allocation to health. For FY 2019/20, the service utilization statistics and thus the rates used were recorded based on the average change between the preceding period. Then the weights were used to derive possible allocations for family planning.



KEY COUNTY STATISTICS



3.1
Total Fertility Rate⁵



78.3%
Contraceptive
Prevalence Rate
(any modern
method)¹



19.9%
Teenage
Pregnancy¹



51
Abortions per
1,000 women of
reproductive age⁶



2.4%
HIV prevalence⁷



11.1%
Women 15-24
who had sexual
intercourse before
exact age 15⁸

¹ Ministry of Health ² Reproductive and Maternal Health Services Unit ³ Kenyatta National Hospital
⁴ Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital ⁵ KDHS 2014 ⁶ APHRC 2013 ⁷ NACC: 2018 HIV Estimates ⁸ KDHS 2014



POLICY BASIS FOR FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET INVESTMENT

The County Government of Meru has two key policy documents that guide investment decisions about family planning for the county:

a. Meru County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) 2018-2022

- The County Government of Meru, through the Meru County integrated development Plan (CIDP) 2018-2022, calls to increase family planning and health access programmes for the women and projects that support women to be self-reliant.

b. Meru County Family Planning Costed Implementation Plan 2017-2022

- The County Government of Meru, through the Meru County family planning costed implementation plan (2017 - 2022) estimates that the county needs **KES. 97,909,500 million** for the county's family planning programme*** for year three of the plan (2019/2020).

*** The Meru County Family Planning Costed Implementation Plan 2017-2022 aims to improve the FP services of the people of Meru County by expanding access to family planning services to attain a modern contraceptive prevalence rate (mCPR) of 83% and a contraceptive prevalence rate (CPR) of 85% by the year 2021.



INTERNATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING COMMITMENTS (FP2020)

The Government of Kenya, at the 2017 London summit on family planning made the following commitments:

- Increase the portion of the national budget for family planning services, specifically through a budget line allocated to the family planning.
- All 47 counties will have a family planning costed implementation plan by 2020 and include specific goals and strategies for adolescents.
- All 47 counties have a family planning budget line by 2020
- Health facilities offering youth-friendly services increased from 10% to 30% by 2020 and 50% by 2025.



RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The County Government of Meru needs to continue honouring its commitment of providing access to family planning services and contraceptives to residents as outlined in the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) 2018-2022 and the County Family Planning Costed Implementation Plan 2017-2022.
2. The County Government of Meru needs to have a **family planning budget line** in future to enable the county meet Kenya's FP2020 commitment.
3. The County Government of Meru needs to **increase the proportion of health facilities offering youth-friendly services** to at least 30% by 2020 in line with Kenya's FP2020 commitment.

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