

PROCESS FOR EVIDENCE REVOLUTION ON AGEING IN KENYA

Presentation at the Regional

Introduction

(a) Statutory documents for older persons in Kenya include:

Constitution of Kenya (2010) article 57

Executive Order No.1/2016

National Policy on Older Persons and Ageing

Kenya Vision 2030 (establishment of a consolidated Social Protection Fund-CSPF)

Draft Bill on older persons

The legal frameworks to cater for
older persons:

The National Hospital Insurance Fund
(NHIF)

The Pensions Act

The National Social Security Fund

(c)The institutional Framework to cater

Demographic transition in Kenya

Kenya is undergoing a demographic transition of increasing population of older persons (KHS, 2009)

1949 population was 270,000

1989 population was 1,000,000

2009 population was 1,926,051 (M= 897,607)
(F= 1,028,444)

Projected population in 2030 is 3,000,000

Background on evidence revolution on ageing in Kenya

Collaboration between the Ministry of East African Community Affairs (EAC), Labour and Social Protection, African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC) and HelpAge International East, West and Central Africa Regional Development Centre (EWCARDC)

Convened the first ever meeting in Nairobi to pilot an evidence revolution on aging in Kenya on 23rd October 2013

The meeting was convened in the wake of the launch of the Global Age-Watch Index (GAWI) a tool, which compares countries

23 stakeholders that are key in national policy and data role players jointly met to deliberate on and identify concrete

Ministry of East African Community (EAC),
Labour and Social Protection, coordinate the

The Min. EAC Labour and Social Protection then
organized for a stakeholders meeting at
APHRC.

The outcomes for the meeting initiated the

) Meeting with key national policy and data role players in Kenya such as:

Line Ministries (Min. of Health, Agriculture, Education, planning and Vision2030 Secretariat)

National Statistics/Survey Agencies (KNBS, NCPD)

Regional Research Institution (APHRC)

Regional Civil Society Institutions (HAI, EWCARDC)

Regional International Partners (UNFPA, World Bank, UNDP)

Aim of the meeting was to:

Point out priority evidence needs to inform:

(i)
older population across relevant sectors

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development framework

Map out existing survey and administrative data, and national data platforms to retrieve data to generate key evidence

Explore opportunities to mobilize support for the evidence revolution pilot

Establish a national steering committee for the realization of such a pilot evidence in the near future

priority evidence gaps in each sector

(ii) potential avenues for addressing the gaps,

(iii) key role players to be involved in the short to medium term

(iv) possible funding opportunities to be pursued

(v) An outline action plan for the initiative as indicated below;

Outline action plan

Step I: Establishment of a draft evidence generation wish-list (Identification of data needs) (*Wish list has been generated*)

Step II: Convening of validation meeting
(*validation meeting has been done*)

Step III: Evidence generation (*Yet to be done*)

Step IV: Dissemination of findings to high-level validation forum (***Yet to be done***)

Step V: Dissemination of analysis findings at County level (***Yet to be done***)

Step VI: Expanding short-term target surveys and planning future primary data generation (***Yet to be done***)

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Engaged a consultant on a joint effort between the APHRC and the Help Age International and Ministry

Mapped out the key stakeholders

Way Forward:

list

Available data be collected and analyzed to inform various initiatives

to carry out surveys on older persons in various thematic areas.

The Ministry of EAC, Labour and Social Protection and APHRC will spearhead the activity in collaboration with the National Population and Development Council (NPDC) and Kenya Bureau of Statistics (KBS) in data collection and surveys on older persons in Kenya.

The data collection and surveys have been delayed because of the resources needed.

On going research:

**Baseline survey on
institutions for older
persons**

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Baseline survey for institutions for older persons has been done

The intension is to provide national standards for provision of long term care for older persons to address abuse of older persons at advanced age

Department is to develop and gazette guidelines for institutions for older persons

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