A Coordinated Nurturing Care for Early Childhood Development (NCfECD) implementation through a multi-sectoral lens

The Siaya County Case study

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Preamble

The model

01 Government to Government
02 Investment focused
03 Partnership and collaborations
04 Optimization of local resources

Counties leading
The multisectoral approach

**The model**

Government led, evidence-based interventions emphasizing integration of ECD interventions into existing service delivery platforms across all the relevant sectors in the government.

Both national and County government involvement and PPP.
The NCfECD Siaya Journey

“Smart Start Siaya Team” See Higher April 2018

Promoting Quality in Health and Education
Methodological Approach

01 Government leadership and coordination
02 Co-creation and co-designing
03 Capacity Building
04 Champions identification
05 Evidence generation
Results/Findings

1. A stronger multisectoral coordinating team oversighted by an Executive Committee

2. Appointment of NCfECD Departmental Focal persons fast-tracking development and operationalization of relevant policies to include coordination of sector activities.

3. Departmental/Sectoral budgetary allocations.

4. Improved capacity of key sector leaders to integrate NCfECD.

5. Generated learning hence Scale up of the best practices to other counties within Lake Region Economic Bloc (LREB)
Discussions

Initiated a whole of government approach towards investment for NCfECD through a ‘pull system’
Conclusion and Recommendation

i. Document and publish this unique model and scale it up in other regions

  i. Strengthen Monitoring and Evaluation strategies

ii. Targeted subnational advocacy efforts for government leaders to prioritize ECD in policy development and resource allocation.

iii. Working with Regional Economic Blocs, is critical in building effective collaborations to monitor joint advocacy actions and resource mobilization efforts within member counties.

iv. Adopt strategic partnerships to leverage resources and organizational capacity. If partners jointly work together in the give strengths then we stand to see better results.