



Program Summary

Kenya's program is focused on reducing public sector corruption by overhauling the public procurement system, with a specific concentration on health care procurements throughout the supply chain. A new public financial management reform strategy, which includes a public procurement component, is being implemented by the Government of Kenya and supported by a coordinated group of donors to reduce opportunities for corruption.

Threshold Status

Status.....Implementation, Year 1

Threshold Information

Total Amount.....\$12.7 million

Agreement Signed....March 23, 2007

Country Information

Population.....34,300,000

GNI Per Capita Income.....\$540

Program Highlights

- The Threshold Program supported two five day courses in corporate governance and management practice for fifteen senior managers of the Kenya Medical Supplies Agency and eight Ministry of Health senior managers.
- Eighty-three district and rural health facility staff were trained on commodity management in support of the new demand-driven “pull” system for medical supplies.
- Ministry of Health staff were trained on development of commodity management support supervision materials.
- An agreement was signed between the Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis to facilitate the civil society monitoring aspect of the Threshold Program. Activities on this part of the Threshold Program have commenced.
- Procurement reform has attracted the attention of several multilateral and bilateral development partners. The Threshold program has actively leveraged this interest, and it is expected that one or more of the local civil society organizations selected under the Threshold program will receive complimentary funding from the World Bank to support procurement reform “watchdog” activities.