

# Kenya 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. In addition, 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.

## *Program Highlights*

- ★ Workshops continue to be held for government of Kenya procuring entities on good procurement practices. To date, nearly 80 Kenyan procuring entities have participated in these two-day workshops.
- ★ Following the completion and publication of the Public Procurement Oversight Authority (PPOA) review of the Ministry of Health, the ministry was split into two new entities: the Ministry of Public Health and Sanitation, and the Ministry of Medical Services. The PPOA has recently developed and adopted manuals guiding records management and conduct of procurement reviews.
- ★ The Board of Directors of the Kenya Medical Supplies Agency was dissolved by the government of Kenya over allegations of mismanagement and an independent task force was created to review operations of the entity. Implementation of certain threshold program activities will be delayed to ensure that they are consistent with the strategic recommendations of the task force.
- ★ National surveys were conducted on leakage and waste in the public health supply chain and on the appropriateness of the prices paid for health commodities. Results are being verified and are slated to be released to stakeholders after completion.
- ★ Twelve civil society organizations expressed interest in participating in monitoring Kenya's threshold program reforms. By March 2008, the selection of participants will be complete as well as the first survey of procurement practice and healthcare delivery with the participation of these organization.

### 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\*