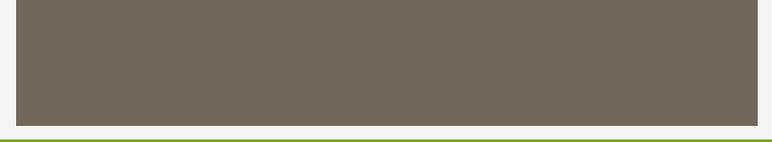




THE SAFE
MATERNITY
INITIATIVE
TANZANIA
(SAMITA)



PERI - URBAN AMBULATORY
NEXUS TANZANIA (PANETA) IN
COLLABORATION WITH
ROTARY FOUNDATION

ARRIVALS



ABOUT PANETA

Peri-Urban Ambulatory Nexus Tanzania (PANETA) is a non-governmental organization registered in Tanzania under the Non-governmental Act, 2002.

The vision of the organization is to be the leading voice for health and wellness of under - previledged rural communities in Tanzania.

THE SAMITA PROGRAM

Since 2023 PANETA has been collaborating with Rotary foundation to implement a five year Safe Maternity Initiative Tanzania (SAMITA) program.

The program is aimed at saving lives of women and newborns who are dying due to complications before, during and few days after delivery.



APPROACH

- Selecting Siha district of Kilimanjaro region for initial phase of the program as a pilot.
- Conducting trainings to health care providers in Siha district on Helping mothers and babies survive program and the use of NASG in management of obstetric hemorrhages.
- Introducing NASG to traditional birth attendants in Siha district to ensure awareness of the device among women in the district and therefore easier acceptance of it.

- Supplying 31 health facilities in Siha district from primary to quaternary facilities with NASG pieces depending on the number of deliveries conducted in the facility per month.
- Preparing sites visit plan and checklists where by the facilities are being visited regularly to ensure adherence to standards of NASG usage, ranging from application, removal, cleaning, folding and storage. Also, supervising retraining programs among health care providers.
- Conducting data collection and analysis using the Kobo tool box application.





CURRENT FINDINGS

- Facilities ranging from primary level to quaternary levels are utilizing NASG.
- More trainings and retrainings are still needed to minimize the knowledge gap among health care providers on NASG utilization.
- Facilities which do not conduct deliveries are also likely to receive at a first place, patients with obstetric hemorrhages and therefore need trainings and supplies of NASGs.

- Current NASG storage practices in some facilities do not render its easy access during obstetric hemorrhage emergencies.
- Current supportive supervisions being conducted by council and regional health management teams and other stake holders do not have NASG as part of their supervision checklists.
- Expansion of the NASG project to other districts and other regions is now of vital importance due to its proven life saving role in obstetric hemorrhage.



WAY FORWARD

- Introducing and supplying facilities with PPH carts that will be enough to accommodate among other things the NASG.
- Conduct more trainings and retraining programs during the site visits and have more pieces for replacements and supply to new facilities.
- Involve council and regional health management teams in the program for incorporation of NASG into the supportive supervision check area.

- Conducting regular updates on the data collection questionnaires in the Kobo toolbox to make them match with the current situation in the facilities.
- The organization is looking forward for alignment with similar minded individuals and organizations to expand the project's reach through strategic partnerships, conferences, and targeted outreach to create a sustainable national program.

CONCLUSIONS

- NASG and its potential to save lives is being compromised by persistent systemic gaps including insufficient training, incomplete or absent data documentation, poor cleaning and storage practices and a lack of accountability in implementation.
- Additionally, limited administrative support and high staff turnover further hinder effective NASG use.

- maximize its life-saving potential in obstetric hemorrhage management, urgent actions are required: retraining of healthcare providers, standardizing storage procedures, enhancing supervision, and ensuring consistent data recording. Strengthening these areas is essential for improving maternal health outcomes and maintaining alignment with SAMITA program standards.



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