UPDATE ON INDEPTHTH
SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE
HEALTH WORKING GROUP

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RESEARCH FOCUS - I

- INDEPTH Call for proposals
- Three Themes
  - Adolescent Reproductive Behavior and Fertility
  - Fertility, Family Planning and Child Survival
  - Fertility and Household Economic Well-being
- Five sites implemented funded projects
- Workshop in September to review progress
RESEARCH FOCUS - II

• Five HDSS funded to undertake SRH work
• Research Projects
  – Magu (Tanzania): *Trends and determinants of sexual and reproductive health behaviours of adolescents in Magu HDSS, Tanzania*
  – Nairobi (Kenya): *Fertility, Family Planning, Child Health and Survival and Household Economic Outcomes*
  – Kisumu (Kenya): *Prevalence and determinants of unwanted or mistimed pregnancies among HIV Negative versus positive women in Western Kenya*
RESEARCH FOCUS - III

• Research Projects
  – Navrongo (Ghana): *An investigation of the relationship between fertility and economic wellbeing in the Kassena-Nankana District of Ghana*
  – Rakai (Uganda): *Adolescent reproductive behaviour and fertility in the Rakai HDSS area*
SEPTEMBER 2011 WORKSHOP

• Objectives
  – To assess progress of work on INDEPTH funded SRH projects
  – To develop research agenda on SRH for INDEPTH Network

• Participants
  – 5 sites implementing INDEPTH funded SRH projects
  – 9 more sites with strong interest in SRH research
STATUS of INDEPTH funded Projects - I

• Kisumu HDSS
  – Preparations for survey data collection underway

• Navrongo HDSS
  – Ongoing analysis of existing data
  – Qualitative data collected and awaiting analysis.
  – Four papers under preparation

• Nairobi HDSS
  – Data collected and analysis done
  – Six papers under preparation
  – Working on draft project report
STATUS of INDEPTH funded Projects - II

• Magu HDSS
  – Data analysis ongoing
  – Two papers under preparation

• Rakai HDSS
  – Qualitative data collected
  – Analysis of data ongoing
  – Five papers under preparation
  – Preparation of draft project report
PROPOSED SRH RESEARCH AGENDA

• Short term
  – Reproductive preferences and subsequent outcomes
    • Focus on unintended pregnancies
  – Birth spacing and subsequent child health outcomes
  – Adolescents’ use of reproductive health services

• Medium term
  – Contribution of adolescents to overall fertility
  – Dynamics of elements of women empowerment

• Long term
  – Adolescents’ transition to adulthood
  – Impact of HIV/AIDS on households
NEXT STEPS

• INDEPTH funded projects
  – Final reports – October 31, 2011 deadline
  – Sites to work on getting papers published

• Beyond current funded projects
  – Develop proposals for further funding of INDEPTH’s SRH Agenda
APPRECIATION

• Hewlett Foundation
• INDEPTH Secretariat
• Participating INDEPTH Sites