



# UPDATE ON INDEPTH SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH WORKING GROUP

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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**