# News Letter

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## Passing on the Baton

May / 27th / 2021

KHF hosted the 13th AGM which brought together Health Sector players from the Private Sector, Public Sector, Development Partners and other Stakeholders. The AGM marked the change of leadership from KHF Immediate Past Chair Dr. Amit N. Thakker to the new KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe.

KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe pledged his commitment to lead KHF towards achieving new and greater milestones.



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KHF CEO Dr. Anastasia Nyalita celebrated Dr Amit N. Thakker's tenure as the Chair of the Board. Under his leadership, KHF was in continuous engagements with Ministry of Health and other stakeholders and this ensured remarkable achievements were attained for the Private Sector. She also expressed confidence in the incoming Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe and pledged her commitment to work with him to build on the achievements made.

KHF Vice Chair, Dr Elizabeth Wala congratulated Dr Amit N. Thakker on his great leadership that steered KHF to tremendous achievements. She also congratulated the incoming Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe, who will lead KHF towards achieving new milestones.

Congratulations to Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe for being elected Chairman of KHF for the period 2021-2024. Also, newly elected include Dr. Linus Wachira Ndegwa, Council Member at Kenya Dental Association (KDA), Vinod Guptan, CEO at MedSource Group Limited and Isaiah Okoth Country Director at PharmAccess Foundation.

KEPSA DCEO Martha Cheruto gave her remarks on behalf of the Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA). She congratulated the incoming Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe who will lead KHF towards achieving new milestones. She also handed over gift hampers to thank all the sponsors and other Board Directors for the continued support and leadership.



KHF Board celebrating their 13th AGM



KHF Vice Chair Elizabeth Wala

We take this opportunity to thank Dr Amit N. Thakker and his Board, for the huge milestones achieved during his tenure and wish the 2021-2024 Board the very best.



KHF Immediate Past Chair Dr. Amit N. Thakker passing on the the Baton to the newly elected KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe.



KHF 13th AGM Participants at Mövenpick Hotel and Residences Nairobi.



KHF Immediate Past Chair Dr. Amit N. Thakker and KHF CEO Dr. Anastasia Nyalita.



Newly elected KHF Directors, Vinod Guptan and Isaiah Okoth, Returning Officer Sharon Juma together with the new KHF Chair Dr Kanyenje Gakombe.

#### June Highlights

## Dr. Jemimah Kariuki receiving the World Health Organization Director General's Award.

#### June / 10th / 2021

Join us in congratulating Dr. Jemimah Kariuki for winning the World Health Organization Director General's Award for Global Health 2021 in recognition of her contribution to advancing global health.

Pregnant mothers continue to access medical care through the Wheels for Life project.



Ag. Director General for Health, Dr. Patrick Amoth and Ministry of Health team, presenting the WHO award to Dr. Jemimah Kariuki.



Ag. Director General for Health, Dr. Patrick Amoth together with Dr. Jemimah Kariuki accompanied by KHF Vice Chair Dr. Elizabeth Wala and KHF CEO Dr. Anastasia Nvalita.

## KHF Board meets Ministry of Health, Ag. Director General for Health, Dr. Patrick Amoth

June / 16th / 2021

KHF Board, led by the KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe and KHF CEO Dr. Anastasia Nyalita paid a courtesy call to Ministry of Health, Ag. Director General for Health, Dr. Patrick Amoth.

KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe also handed over the KHF mandate to Ag. Director General for Health, Dr. Patrick Amoth who is keen to continue working with private sector on matters concerning health.



Ag. Director General for Health, Dr. Patrick Amoth together with the KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe accompanied by KHF CEO Dr. Anastasia Nyalita and KHF Directors Vinod Guptan, Linus Ndegwa and Antony Jaccodul.

## KHF Board meets Ministry of Health, CAS, Dr. Rashid Abdi Aman

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KHF Directors Vinod Guptan and Antony Jaccodul were also in attendance.

KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe also handed over the KHF mandate to Chief Administrative Secretary Dr. Rashid Abdi Aman, BPharm, PhD who is keen to continue working with private sector on matters concerning health.



CAS, Dr. Rashid Abdi Aman receiving the KHF mandate from KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe accompanied by KHF CEO Dr. Anastasia Nyalita and KHF Directors Vinod Guptan and Antony Jaccodul.

#### KHF Board meets Ministry of Health, PS, Susan Mochache CBS

#### June / 23rd / 2021

Ministry of Health, Kenya Health PS Susan Mochache, CBS today met the new KHF Board led by KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe and KHF CEO Dr. Anastasia Nyalita.

MOH-MD, MPH Dr. Mary Wangai and KHF Directors Dr. Linus Wachira Ndegwa, Dr. Daniella Munene, Antony Jaccodul, Isaiah Okoth and Vinod Guptan were also present.

KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe handed over the KHF Mandate to the Health PS Susan Mochache, CBS who is keen to continue working with private sector on matters concerning health.



KHF Chair Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe handing over the KHF Mandate to the Health PS Susan Mochache, CBS.



KHF Board with Health PS, Susan Mochache, CBS and MD, MPH Dr. Mary Wangai.



KHF Board having discussions with Health PS, Susan Mochache, CBS

## Multi Stakeholders Partnership (MSP 2.0)

#### June / 25th / 2021

As part of implementing the Multi Stakeholders Partnership (MSP), Malteser International, AMREF Health Africa in Kenya and Kenya Healthcare Federation (KHF) supported the Association of Medical Records -Kenya (AMRO-K) in the harmonization and development of the Health Record and Information Officers Core Curriculum.



MSP 2.0 Team including the representatives of Malteser International, AMREF and KHF.



Presentations made during the MSP 2.0 engagement.



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## KHF Board meets Ministry of Health, CAS, Dr. Mercy Mwangangi

#### July / 15th / 2021

Ministry of Health, Kenya, Chief Administrative Secretary, Dr. Mercy Mwangangi held a consultative meeting with the KHF Board led by KHF Chair Dr. Gakombe KK, KHF Vice Chair Dr. Dr Elizabeth Wala and KHF CEO Dr. Anastasia Nyalita. Dr. Mercy Mwangangi acknowledged the key role KHF continues to play in the Health Sector.

Also present at the meeting was Dr Hezron O. Omollo, Chief Technical Advisor at Ministry of Health, Kenya, and KHF Directors; Dr. Walter Obita, Dr. Linus Wachira Ndegwa and Dr. Francis Karanja.



KHF Board meets MOH, CAS, Dr. Mercy Mwangangi.



MOH, CAS, Dr. Mercy Mwangangi receiving KHF mandate from KHF Chair, Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe accompanied by KHF Vice Chair, Elizabeth Wala and KHF CEO, Dr. Anastasia Nyalita.



KHF Board meets MOH, CAS, Dr. Mercy Mwangangi.

## National Nursing Council of Kenya launch their 4th Edition Manual of Clinical Procedures in Nursing and Midwives in Kenya

#### July / 15th / 2021

National Nursing Council of Kenya invited KHF for the launch of the 4<sup>th</sup> Edition Manual of Clinical Procedures for Nurses and Midwifes in Kenya. PharmAccess Regional Director, Millicent Olulo represented KHF and took part in the launch of the 4<sup>th</sup> Edition Manual of Clinical Procedures in Nursing and Midwifery in Kenya.

Ministry of Health, Chief Administrative Secretary Dr. Rashid Abdi Aman, BPharm, PhD recognizes these two documents signify a milestone in fulfilling the function of improving, promoting and protecting the health of Kenyans as well as their well-being through Health Policy and Standards Management.

The Manual of Clinical Procedures in Nursing and Midwifery captures fundamentals of Nursing; Medical-Surgical Nursing, Midwifery and Obstetrics Nursing; Mental Health and Psychiatric Nursing and Community Health Nursing.

When put into practice, they will provide nurses and midwives with the knowledge and skills that will enable them to deliver high-quality care in the key areas that matter to patients, clients and the community at large.



Nursing Council of Kenya Registar/CEO Edna Tallam giving her remarks during the launch of the 4th Edition Manual of Clinical Procedures in Nursing and Midwives in Kenya



MOH, CAS, Dr. Rashid Abdi Aman, Nursing Council of Kenya Registar/CEO Edna Tallam Kimaiyo at the launch of the 4th Edition Manual of Clinical Procedures in Nursing and Midwives in Kenya.

# Ongoing Projects

#### Wheels for Life Statistics Update

Wheels for life program helps expectant mothers talk to doctors for free!! Call 1196 for help!!!

Support us by donating through: <u>https://lnkd.in/dgKS9bD</u> or <u>https://gf.me/u/yzb4np</u>

Updated Statistics as of 11th July 2021.



#### Payer - Provider Engagement Initiative (Phase 2): Improving Payer - Provider Engagements in Kenya

KHF in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, Strategic Purchasing Africa Research Centre (SPARC), ThinkWell and World Health Organization (WHO) is undertaking Phase II of the Payer - Provider Engagements.

In 2020, Kenya Health Federation (KHF) spearheaded a Provider-Payer Engagement in the Private Health Sector in Kenya aimed at mediating a cohesive engagement between the Providers and Payers in the Private Health Sector. This engagement adopted a facilitative approach with a view to having the parties actively engage in identifying the challenges and possible solutions.

The following were noted as key challenges to effective Provider - Payer Engagement in the Private Health Sector in Kenya;

- a) Inadequate communication and weak channels between the parties
- b) Lack of trust between the providers and payers
- c) Inefficient administrative processes including claims and reimbursement management
- d) Inequitable relationships that favour large and urban providers
- e) Reimbursement strategies that do not incentivize quality and cost control
- f) Lack of collaboration in decision making
- g) Limited patient engagement.

Based on the challenges highlighted, KHF has identified the need to engage these players in a deeper dive listening session to better understand the challenges and facilitate their process of designing actionable solutions.

Furthermore, there is the need to take a whole system approach seeing that most of the issues identified are not peculiar to the private providers. This will involve private healthcare providers, public sector providers, government regulatory bodies other insurance providers and beneficiaries.

A deeper engagement with all relevant government agencies is also needed. It is to these effects that KHF has reached out to the Strategic Purchasing Africa Resource Centre (SPARC), ThinkWell, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Kenya Ministry of Health (MoH) to move the Provider-Payer engagement phase II process forward, facilitating stakeholder to develop an action plan to operationalize solutions already proposed and listed above.

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## **Upcoming Events**

The following are the list of upcoming events;

| DATE                      | TIME     | EVENT NAME  |
|---------------------------|----------|---|
| 12th August 2021          | 12:00pm  | Members Meeting   |
| 11th August 2021          | 10:00am  | Ministerial Stakeholders Forum (MSFs)                         |
| 23rd - 26th August 2021   | Full Day | The Seventh Annual Devolution<br>Conference 2021              |
| 9th & 10th September 2021 | Full Day | Annual East Africa Healthcare<br>Federation (EAHF) Conference |
| September 2021            | 08:00am  | Committee Meetings  |
| November 2021             | 08:00am  | Committee Meetings  |
| November                  | 6:00pm   | Health Sector Round-up 2021                                   |



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