

Sexual & Reproductive Health Commodities: Measuring Prices, Availability & Affordability in Kenya 2019

AFFORDABILITY



Cost of Commodities vs Lowest Paid Government Worker

Public

Benzylpenicillin powder for injection 600mg 1MU
Ksh.1781.34 OR LPGW 3.97 days

Private

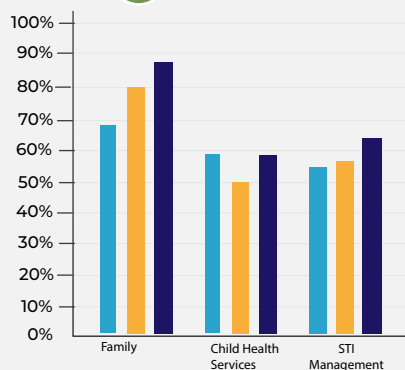
Magnesium sulphate (500mg in 10ml vial)
Ksh. 5532.47 OR LPGW 12.33 days

Mission

Magnesium sulphate (500mg in 10ml vial)
Ksh. 3562.68 OR LPGW 7.94 days



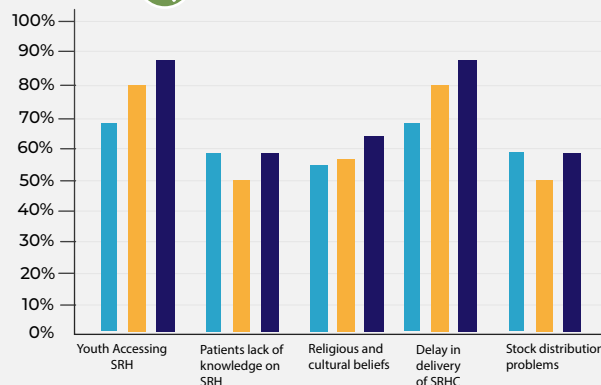
Access to SRH Services



CHALLENGES



Causes of Stockouts



Public
Private
Mission

RECOMMENDATIONS



IMPROVE SUPPLY CHAIN

Counties to ensure adequate ordering of health commodities for their populations to guarantee communities can access medicine when needed without undue inconvenience



TRAINING OF HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

Need for more training of healthcare providers on quantification and stock management. Additionally, follow-up training on SRH care amongst the health workforce



CURB STIGMATIZATION ON ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE

Healthcare providers to be trained on customer care to treat patients fairly and with respect. Ending discrimination and stigmatization is particularly important for adolescents seeking SRH services



IMPROVE GENERAL INFRASTRUCTURE

To ensure access to SRH services and other health services in emergency situations because some facilities are located in very remote and inaccessible areas (e.g. in Isiolo, Narok and Kakamega counties)



COMMUNITY SENSITIZATION

Need to educate community on access and use of SRH services so as to demystify the myths and superstitions on Vasectomy, allay fears on perceived side-effects of using contraceptives



YOUTH-FRIENDLY CENTRES

Intergrate youth friendly corners in existing public health facilities and eliminate barriers to accessing SRH services and commodities for all that need them, when they need them



MALE PARTNER INVOLVEMENT

Male partners to be involved in access to, provision of and education around use of contraceptives. Must also include testing for STIs and adhering to treatment regimes, which is critical



REVIEW OF HEALTH PROGRAMS

Newborn, child and maternal health programs review both at national and county levels so as to give a clearer picture of effectiveness and impact of these programs