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Overview of QHP

- June 1, 2004 – May 31, 2009
- \$16 million
- EngenderHealth (lead), JHPIEGO and Abt Associates; support from FHI and Initiatives, Inc.
- One of four USAID bilateral projects begun in mid-2004 (with CHPS-TA, GSCP and SHARP)

Geographic Focus

- RHMTs, DHMTs, and public and private sector facilities in 30 districts of the southern seven regions
 - Ashanti Region (3 districts)
 - Brong Ahafo Region (2 districts)
 - Central Region (13 districts)
 - Greater Accra Region (1 district)
 - Eastern Region (2 districts)
 - Volta Region (5 districts)
 - Western Region (3 districts)



Target services

- IMCI
- Family planning
- Essential and emergency obstetric care
- Basic newborn and post-abortion care services
- Integrated disease surveillance and response (IDSR)
- Malaria prevention and treatment
- STI-HIV/AIDS prevention, counseling and treatment, including VCT, PMTCT, treatment of opportunistic infections and ARV therapy



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Goals

1. Strengthen GHS capacity to provide high quality services using approved standards and guidelines
2. Improve systems for human resource capacity development (HRCD)
3. Improve supervision, monitoring, problem-identification and solving and communication skills
4. Raise the standards of quality in private and public health facilities and develop a franchising approach

Selected results by goal



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Goal 1. Institutional capacity

- HIV-TB dual infection guidelines and TB Manual
- Referral systems pilot activity – Central and Greater Accra Regions
- \$750,000 in sub-agreements with GHS national units
- Six VCT/PMTCT sites visited; COPE being applied
- FP-ART integration activity at Korle Bu Teaching Hospital and Atua District Hospital (with FHI)

Goal 2. HR systems development

- Regional HR managers trained in June
- \$170,000 procurement completed for 42 pre-service institutions for nurses and midwives
- Benchmarking of HR best practices initiated
- Pre-service curriculum review in process with Nurses and Midwives Council
- HR policy framework and strategies for 2007-2011 being developed

Goal 3. Supervisory and QA skills

- Printing and dissemination of Ward Management Manual, OPD Management Manual and Nursing Protocols
- Supporting roll-out of QA and COPE training in sub-agreements and joint monitoring visits with counterparts

Goal 4. High-performing facilities

- \$800,000 in sub-agreements with 7 regions, including scale-up of IMCI and QA training
- Exploring franchising approach for RCH; market demand study underway
- Community-based IUD study launched in three districts and FP-ART integration at two sites
- Planning for equipment procurement and minor renovations for 2006



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Thank you !



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