



Leading in Health Systems Strengthening

A course to support leading health stewards to provide responsive and quality services for sustainable development in Africa.

Stewardship combines leadership, management and governance – and is arguably the most complex but critical building block of any health system. It is about the role of the government in healthcare as well as its relation to other actors whose activities impact on healthcare. This course offers you the opportunity to acquire up-to-date knowledge about health systems and the right skills set for evidence-based planning, management, and financing for quality improvement.

By taking this course you will:

- Gain understanding of the evolution of the health systems, principles of service delivery and how these are best integrated in the management, coordination and governance structures to ensure quality service delivery and better outcomes.
- Feel empowered and equipped to transform and strengthen healthcare service delivery within your field by applying the principles of a health planning process and use of appropriate tools.
- Learn that good leadership practices that are important to effect significant positive changes in healthcare and learn to become an effective manager through the understanding of teamwork and delegation.
- Acquire essential knowledge, skills and appropriate attitudes as vital management tools for decision making and performance improvement in the health systems.

Philips and Amref Health Africa have been engaged in a strategic partnership since 2013. Both Philips and Amref Health Africa recognize the need for education and training to advance healthcare professionals' medical skills in Africa. One of the partnership's main goals, therefore, is to enhance the quality and quantity of trained health workers in the region. Amref Health Africa is a leading African health organization that has been active in Africa for 60 years and distinguishes itself by its achievements in improving the continent's health sector. Philips is global market leader in delivering state-of-the-art healthcare solutions, aimed at enhancing both the quality and efficiency of the medical sector. The company has been active in Africa over 100 years.

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Course content

The course is competence based, and the modules are organized in a logical and sequential order to facilitate the process of learning. Each student is required to take all the five modules for full Continuing Professional Development (CPD) points. However, certification on modular basis is available.

Module 1: Foundations of health systems

- **Unit 1:** Strategic directions and regulatory frameworks
- **Unit 2:** Systems thinking in health
- **Unit 3:** Principles of health service delivery
- **Unit 4:** Organization of health systems

Module 2: Planning for health service delivery

- **Unit 1:** Overview of planning process in the health sector
- **Unit 2:** Planning process and tools
- **Unit 3:** Elements of the planning process at various levels of the health sector
- **Unit 4:** Budgeting and costing of plans

Module 3: Leadership for health services delivery

- **Unit 1:** Introduction leadership in health
- **Unit 2:** Building soft skills for engaging with counties
- **Unit 3:** Governance in health

Module 4: Management of health service delivery

- **Unit 1:** Service delivery management
- **Unit 2:** Health workforce management
- **Unit 3:** Health infrastructure management
- **Unit 4:** Health products management
- **Unit 5:** Financial management

Module 5: Monitoring and evaluation of health service delivery

- **Unit 1:** Monitoring of health service delivery
- **Unit 2:** Introduction to monitoring and evaluation
- **Unit 3:** Evaluation of health service delivery
- **Unit 4:** Health information management
- **Unit 5:** Operational research in health systems



Course information

Duration

Six months

Examinations

Assignments will be given at the end of each module. Face-to-face exams will be held at the end of the course

eLearning

You will be provided with access to Amref's Learning Management System LMS for course information, learning modules and suggestions for further reading

Mentor

There will be a mentor to support you via mobile phone and chat

Who can register?

County Health Managers, Medical Doctors, Nurses and Midwives, Clinical Officers, Public Health Officers, Nutritionists and Dieticians, Community Health Personnel, Program and Project Managers, Facility Managers, Hospital Administrators in public and private sectors and any other health or health related managers in training & research institutions, professional associations and regulatory bodies and NGOs and CBOS

Admission requirements

A minimum of a diploma or a first degree in health or health related fields and working or intending to work in health related sector

Certification

The Kenya School of Government (KSoG) will certify the graduands of the course

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