

# A CLOSER LOOK AT THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IN KENYA

## POLICY GOAL:

The goal of this Kenya Health Policy is 'attaining the highest possible standard of health in a manner responsive to the needs of the population.' The Policy aims to achieve this goal through supporting provision of equitable, affordable and quality health and related services at the highest attainable standards to all Kenyans. It is designed to take the country beyond the current health services approach towards a focus on health, using a primary healthcare approach which remains the most efficient and cost-effective way to organize a health system.

Source: Kenya Health Policy 2012 – 2030, pg. 15

## HEALTHCARE FINANCING

	KENYA (2014)	SSA
Health expenditure:		
per capita (current US\$)	\$78	\$98
total (% of GDP)	5.7%	5.5%
public (% of government expenditure)	12.8%	...
public (% of total health expenditure)	61.3%	42.6%
External resources for health (% of total expenditure on health)	27.5%	11.2%
Out-of-pocket (% of total expenditure on health)	26.1%	34.5%

(World Bank, July 2016)

## TARGET

	CURRENT STATUS	POLICY TARGET (2030)
Life expectancy at birth (years)	60	72
Annual deaths (per 1,000 persons)	10.6	5.4
Years lived with disability	12	8

Source: Kenya Health Policy 2012 – 2030, pg. 15

## POPULATION

	KENYA (2015)	SSA
Total (in million)	46.1	1001.0
Ages 0-14 (% of total)	41.9%	42.9%
Ages 15-64 (% of total)	55.3%	54.0%
Rural (% of total population)	74.4%	62.3%

## HEALTH OUTCOMES

Life expectancy at birth, total (years)	61.6% (2014)	58.6
Maternal mortality ratio (modeled estimate, per 100,000 live births)	510.0	547.0
Mortality rate, infant (per 1,000 live births)	35.5	56.4
Fertility rate, total (births per woman)	4.3 (2014)	5.0

(World Bank, downloaded July 2016)



## MOBILE CELLULAR SUBSCRIPTIONS (PER 100 PEOPLE)

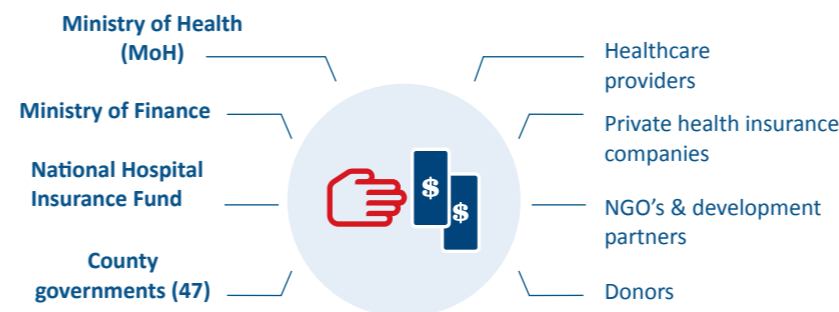
World Bank Oct 2016



## HEALTH INSURANCE

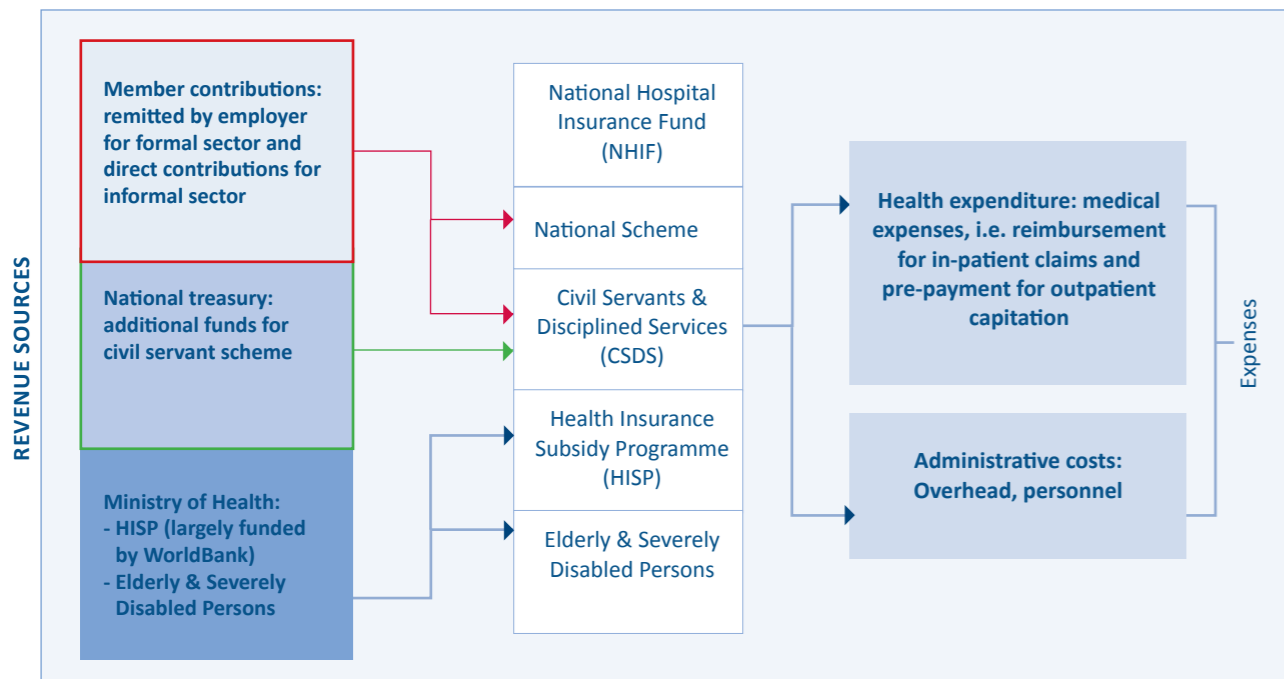
- 22%** All health insurance / saving products (beneficiaries as % of the population)
- 20%** National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF): covers all illnesses incl. emergencies; fixed premium rates
- 1,5%** Private insurance schemes, various packages: risk rated contributions
- 0,5%** Community Based Health Insurance (CHBI): covers treatment of illnesses at specific health facilities; fixed premium rates
- <0,5%** Other local initiatives (e.g. mobile wallet), various packages: various premium models

## STAKEHOLDERS



More than one third of private facilities are in Nairobi Metro (31%) and Mombasa (6%)

## ORGANIZATION OF NATIONAL INSURANCE: SOURCES AND EXPENDITURES OF NHIF



Responsibility of:

**NATIONAL LEVEL** with defined level of self autonomy. Highly specialized care.

**COUNTY LEVEL** All hospitals consisting of former public and private hospitals.

**COUNTY LEVEL** All dispensaries, health centers, and maternity and maternity homes in both public and private sectors.

**COUNTY LEVEL** All health community-based activities services organized within the community.

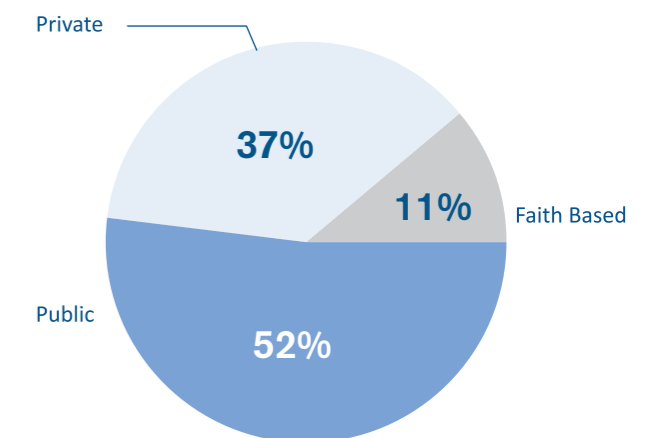
## LEVELS OF CARE:

**LEVEL 4** National referral hospitals Private: 75%, **12**

**LEVEL 3** County hospitals Private: 26%, FB: 15% **541**

**LEVEL 2** Primary care facilities Private: 38%, FB: 10% **8,762**

**LEVEL 1** Community care



\*Source: numbers of healthcare facilities are based on the latest facility list of Ministry of Health in Kenya (2016) and edited by PharmAccess (distinction into groups).