

NETWORK OF AFRICAN PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES ON HEALTH (NEAPACOH)

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Country presentation on the implementation of country specific-
actions made during the NEAPACOH meeting 2013

Country: Ghana

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For each of the specific action you committed yourself to undertake during the 2013 NEAPACOH meeting, please follow the outline provided below.

•Country Specific-action 1:Create a specific budget line for family Planning

Progress towards implementation

-Ministry of Health provided a specific budget line for family planning

Challenges

The Budget for FP was subsumed under the Budget for Reproductive Health Division

Lessons learned

Strengthen monitoring to ensure results are achieved

Country Specific-action 2: Reduce Maternal mortality rate

Progress towards implementation

-The Institutional Data shows a decline in from **154.6** in 2013 to **149.9** (Jan and June, 2014). Ref Ghana Holistic Assessment

Challenges

-The Ghana Demographic and Health Survey was delayed

Lessons learned

-The free maternal health policy contributed immensely to this success

Country action plan for the period :Oct 2014-Sept 2015

Country:_____

SMART Objective	Activities	Responsible	Estimated Budget	Time line	Comments
To improve FP service delivery by ensuring that Ministry of Health trains five hundred (500) community based nurses to deliver FP services by August 2015	<p>1. Follow-up the Ghana Health Service/Min. of Health's training plan on FP for community health nurses.</p> <p>2. Monitor the implementation of the Training</p>	<p>Parliament, Minister of State responsible for Social and Allied Institutions and Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection</p>	\$4000	October, 2014 to August, 2015	<p>The Committee on Health would monitor the implementation of the programme</p> <p>The Minister of State would conduct follow-ups to</p>