



# Maternal and Child Health Service Strengthening in Jomoro, Ellembelle and Ahanta West (Western Region – GHANA)

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# Strengthening Maternal & Child Health Services at District level in Western Region

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## **Presentation Outline**

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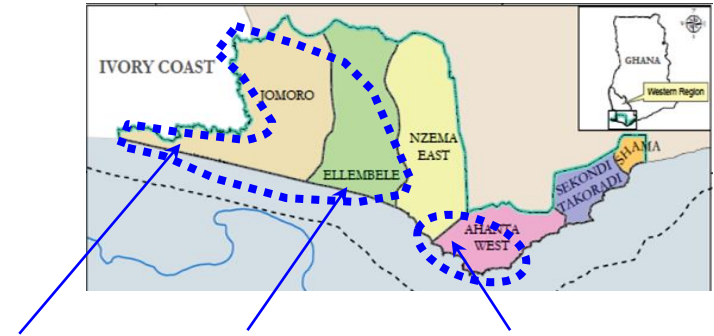
## **Eni Foundation Background**

Eni Foundation was established in 2007 by Eni with the aim of strengthening and improving eni's ability **to respond** coherently and effectively **to the expectations of civil society** in the countries where it operates (Congo, Indonesia, Angola and now Mozambique and Ghana).

Eni Foundation focuses in particular on **children's protection** and aims at contributing to the **strengthening of maternal and children's health services** in rural and remote communities through projects aimed at **improving the efficiency of the local health system** and at **promoting the effectiveness of primary prevention**

# Medium Term Community Health Initiative - Ghana

- **Timeline** 2013-16
- **Districts** Jomoro, Ellembelle and Ahanta West
- **Pop. Target** ~ 372.000 people
- **Purpose** Support the Ghanaian Health Authorities to reduce Mothers & Child Mortality
- **Partners** **MoH, GHS and CHAG**  
**MoU** signed on Dec.21<sup>st</sup> '11 (MoH – eni Foundation)  
**Partnership Agreements** signed on Nov.8<sup>th</sup> '12 (MoH–eF–GHS&CHAG)
- **Project Funding and Execution** eni Foundation
- **Implementing bodies** District Administrations, Prolink Ngo, eni Ghana





## **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

### **Overall objective**

Provide support to the Ghanaian MoH in order to reach the objective laid out in the health sector strategic plan for the achievement of Millennium Development Goals 4 and 5.

### **Project purpose**

Support the GHS and CHAG in the reduction of maternal and child morbidity and mortality through **improvement in accessibility to MCH services** in the Project Target Areas in Ellembele, Jomoro and Ahanta West districts of the Western Region by **increasing access to basic and emergency MCH services**



**1<sup>st</sup> level healthcare  
(Community)**



**2<sup>nd</sup> level healthcare  
(Sub-District)**



**3<sup>rd</sup> level healthcare  
(District)**



**Regional level**

### **Expected Outcomes**

- 1. Community Health Services** extended to less served areas in line with MoH CHPS strategy (8 zones)
- 2. MCH and Basic EmONC** strengthened at **intermediate level** (10 HCs)
- 3. In-patient and emergency services**, with particular regard to Comprehensive EmONC, strengthened at **District Hospital Level**
- 4. Managerial capacities** strengthened at **regional and district levels** (HMIS, Capacity Building)





In order to support the **Primary Health Care development**

3 main areas of intervention have been identified:

- **Improvement of health structures** through restructuring and ensuring the supply of safe water and energy and the supply of medical equipment and furnishings;
- **Improvement in the level of training and skills** of the local health workers through professional training courses;
- **Public awareness programs** on factors affecting utilization and outcomes and concerning the prevention of endemic diseases and hygiene health education and nutrition.



## **METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH**

- Systemic/Multilayers interventions to support the strengthening of the whole maternal and child health service structure in project areas focusing at the community, sub district and district/regional level
- Address both demand and service offer side
- Stakeholders participation, engagement, Sustainability
- Baseline Household Survey undertaken (Cape Coast University)



## **Local Content**

**Engagement with Local Project Partners (GHS, CHAG, MOH)** at all project stages: **Problems identification**, project design, project implementation, M&E (e.g. HMIS strengthening program designed in collaboration with the district, regional, central GHS level, joint Training and IEC needs assessment for tailored capacity building, etc.)

Engagement of **Public Institutions**: District Assemblies responsible for construction works and IEC

**Community Involvement**: in health service planning at local level (CHPS)

Involvement of **Local Resources**: Local contractors, Local Implementing partner  
NGO- Prolink



## Activities- Outcome 1

- **Constructions:** 2 CHPS compounds completed, 6 under construction
- **Equipment:** 2 CHPS compounds equipped, 6 to be equipped in 2016
- **Motorbikes:** 8 to be handed over in 2016
- **Training :** 5 CHO/CHNs trained out of 22 (Training started in March 2015).
- **IEC:** 18 out of 50 villages visited; 65 visits to the 18 villages discussing themes as: Breastfeeding, weaning, water and sanitation, etc.
- **Services provided in the operational CHPS:** Family Planning, Clinical Care, Health Promotion/CWC sessions, Home visits, Outreach postnatal, Emergency delivery and School Health



**Expect Outcome 1** Community Health Services extended to less served areas  
- Activities



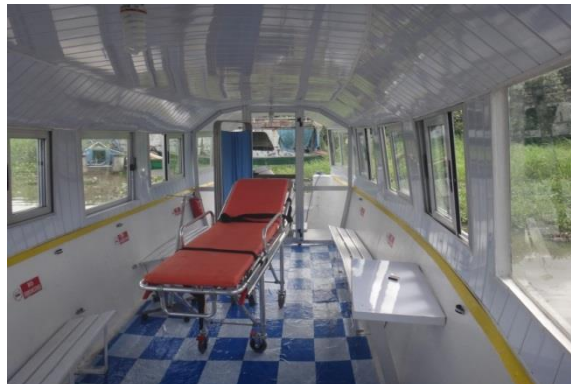


## **Activities- Outcome 2**

- **Revamping/Constructions:** 3 out of 10 health centers under rehabilitation
- **Equipment:** 10 health centers equipped by end of 2016 (including basic EmONC)
- **Training:** 30 out of 176 medical personnel trained (Training started in March 2015).
- **IEC:** Behavioral and communication materials under development in collaboration with relevant stakeholders
- **Car ambulances:** 4 Ambulances handed over on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January,2015
- **Boat ambulance:** 1 Boat Ambulance handed over on 27<sup>th</sup> February,2015.  
The boat ambulance also support vaccination and IEC program for 4000 people in 15 riverine communities that were without direct access to health services.



**Expect Outcome 2** MCH and Basic EmONC strengthened at intermediate level  
-Activities





## Activities- Outcome 3

- **Revamping/Constructions:**

Half Assini District Hospital: New Operating Theatre under construction. Maternity block, Male & Female Wards, Operating Theatre, Stores, OPD/Dispensary to be revamped in 2016

St. Martin de Porres Hospital: New Antenatal block completed on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2014.

- 1 outreach vehicle handed over on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2014.
- Outreach and IEC activities: 13 communities visited monthly for CWCs, home visits, postnatal visits, school health programme. IEC ongoing in wards and ANC block.

- **Equipment:** 2 hospitals equipped with relevant items by end of 2016 (including comprehensive EmONC)

- **Training:** 3 out of 147 medical personnel trained (Training started in March 2015).



**Expected Outcome 3** *In-patient and emergency services strengthened at District Hospital Level – Activity*





## Outreach and IEC Activities- SMdP Hospital





## **Activities- Outcome 4**

- **Support to teaching capacity of training schools:** Purchase of teaching materials ongoing for Essiama and Asanta Training Schools.
- **Capacity Building on Health Management:** 1 Workshop on district Training/IEC needs and Occupational Health/Safety at Work.
- **Support to Regional Health Management Information System (\*):** Proposal elaborated in cooperation with the GHS District, Regional and National level.



**Expected Outcome 4** Managerial capacities strengthened at regional and district levels  
- Activity





## **Support to Regional Health Management Information System**

**Timeline:** May 2015 – June 2016

**Content:**

DHIMS 2 and eTracker trainings on the following programmatic areas:

- Maternal and Child Health (Introduction of newborn health indicators)
- Occupational Health (Orientation on indicators and variables)

**Target beneficiaries:**

Regional level: Training of relevant staff in all the 22 districts of the Western Region

District level: Implementation and on-the-job training at all health facilities in Jomoro, Ellembelle, Ahanta West districts

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BACK UP

**Expected Outcome 4** *Managerial capacities strengthened at regional and district levels*  
- Activity

<b>HMIS Strengthening (*)</b>	<b>Workshop on HMIS Strengthening (EF) Regional Level</b>	<b>Implementation District Level Piloting</b>
<b>Date</b>	I semester 2015	II semester 2015/I semester 2016
<b>Level</b>	Regional	District/ Regional
<b>Districts Involved</b>	All the 22 Districts of the Western Region	Jomoro, Ellembele, Ahanta West
<b>Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Occupational Health: Commitment to the institution of occupational health services in all the 22 districts of the Western Region;</li> <li>• Regional workshops and working sessions with districts on data analytics and information use with DHIMS2 data</li> <li>• RHMT/DHMT write and produce papers on analytics reports generated from DHIMS2 in scientific journals</li> </ul>	<p><b>Focus Areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Occupational Health:</b> DHMT, sub DHMT and facility heads oriented on occupational health indicators and variables in DHIMS2 and the GHS occupational health policy.</li> <li>• <b>Maternal and Child Health:</b> RHMT and DHMTS oriented on new delivery room registers including ANC ,PNC and FP and revise form A with the newborn care variables and indicators</li> </ul> <p><b>Pilot Activities in district sites</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ICT needs and internet connectivity assessment</li> <li>• Provision of laptops, tablets and modems for data collection</li> <li>• Training on the job on DHIMS 2 App: Focus maternal and child health indicators and OH surveillance</li> <li>• Monitoring and supportive visits to facilities in sentinel sites in the 3 districts</li> </ul>