HEALTH IN DEVOLUTION

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HEALTH NOT DOING WELL IN DEVOLUTION

- Public concern
- No clear data yet
- Mixed pictures from County reports.
1. LEGAL FRAMEWORK

a) Constitution

- Bill of Rights Chapter 4; Article 43 & 27
- Devolution; Chapter 11
- Schedule 4- Distribution of Functions

  National
  - Policy Standards
  - National Referral Health facilities
1. LEGAL FRAMEWORK CONT..

County

- County health facilities and pharmacies
- Ambulance services
- Promotion of primary healthcare
- Licensing and control of food venues
- Cemetery and funeral services
- Waste disposal

b) Legislation

- Health bill pending
FAILED TRANSITION

➢ Schedule 6,

➢ Section 15

  - Phased transfer over 3 years
  - Transition to Devolved Government Act not adhered to
    ; Clause 4 established TA, Clause 7(2) functions of TA &
    Clause 23 provided for phasing of transfer (main point
    of contention).

➢ Main issues ; Ego / power struggle, money / kickbacks.
CONSEQUENT CHALLENGES

All Health Systems weak

a) Human Resources
   - strikes
   - low morale

b) Referral System
   - No system or guidelines
   - Poor equipment
   - Untrained staff
   - No criteria / indication
CONSEQUENT CHALLENGES CONT...

d) Infrastructure & Equipment

- No clear plan
- No harmonization e.g. MES (Managed Equipment Services)
  - No human resource plan
  - Unclear maintenance plan
  - Repayment system not clear
  - No proper legal arrangement with counties
e) Supplies and Procurement
   - Quality control challenge
   - Irregular supply
   - Use of KEMSA commendable

f) Financing
   - Priorities not clear both at National & County levels
   - Disbursement issues
     - Conditional level 5 grants
       - HSSF
       - Free maternity
       - Elderly Persons support
       - HISFP (Health Insurance Subsidy for the Poor)
       - Donor Support
g) Facility Governance Structures
   - Unclear structures of Hospital Boards
   - Facility committees

h) Cross cutting issues
   - Immunization
   - Specific disease programs such as HIV and TB
- Structured planning of coordination and harmonization of cell Health systems through the Intergovernmental relations Act Structures.