The Maama and Family Project


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Background and Case for Action

- Worldwide 2.7 million infants die during their first month of life.
- Uganda; 35% of under-five deaths happen during the first month of life.
- Over half of all maternal deaths are due to preventable causes.
- Mayuge: 54% of new-born deaths occur away from a health facility.
  
  ✓ To address the risks mothers and new-borns face, UDHA & SOGH developed mama and Family project.
The Maama Aims & Objectives

- Improving maternal and new-born health outcomes in Mayuge district.
- Working with the local community to enhance their own health
- Training community health workers (CHW)
- Reducing infections and increase antenatal attendance through the distribution of birth kits.

Maama-project CHW Scovia with a newborn
Methodology

• **Use of CHWs for community based maternal, newborn care promotion component**
  - Register all households members (identify and refer pregnant mothers)
  - Conduct community mobilization and sensitization regarding MNC
  - Make five visits: two prenatal and three visits postnatal visits
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• **Health facility** (ANC and Deliveries)

• **Motivation** (Mama kit)
Main Health Service Elements

Content of the Maama Kit by Pace:
- a plastic sheet
- soap
- 2 pairs of surgical gloves
- cotton wool
- cord ties
- surgical blade
- child growth and postnatal card

Cost/kit: 13,500 UGX
The Maama Project
Impact Report 2017

Increased **home visits** by CHWs
(1231 home visits during project year)

**More women giving birth in a health facility**

**246 birth kits** delivered after 4th ANC visit

Maama project evaluation report:
sogh.se/our-work/uganda

Increased **antenatal visits**, 70%-89% (in one year)
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