



WaSH in Health Facilities

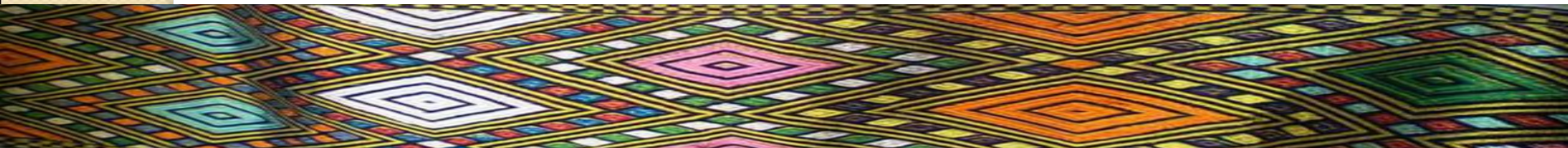


Clean and Safe Health facilities Initiative:- The
CASH initiative In Ethiopia

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Background



- Ethiopia has nine Regional states and two administrative cities, with a population of > 90 million
- Many initiatives in the country to improve cleanliness & safety **in all health care facilities (HCFs)**
- ONE WaSH Program Ethiopia 2013-2020 includes Institutional WaSH with focus on HCFs & schools
- SPA census 2014, 67% of all HCFs (over 18,000) have improved water source & 83% have functional latrines

Why CASH....



*Objective: To
make health
facilities clean,
safe and
comfortable to
patients, visitors
and staff*

Clean Care is Safer Care

CASH Launching



The program launched in Nov 2014 at national, regional and hospital level in the presence of higher officials, investors and professionals.

CASH Launching- Governance of CASH



Scope :

All health facilities with focus on hospitals to be followed by health centers

Partnership

- Private sectors,
- Professional associations
- Celebrities

Executive Committee

Deputy Prime Minister
FMoH Minister & others

Project Team

FMoH Directors, technical experts & development partners

Audit Team

Independent (Universities, development partners, others)

CASH Actions



- Consensus reached between federal, regions, Hospitals and partners
- National CASH project document with clear plan and budget developed
- Audit tools developed ... recognition of facilities
- Ethiopian Hospitals alliance for Quality (EHAQ) established
- Stream line CASH & ONE WaSH (capacity building & increase HCFs WaSH coverage)



CASH Actions...

Cleanliness is about attitude not structure



Cleanliness is everybody's responsibility

CASH Progress to-date



- Implementation of national minimum standards
- Renovation & building of toilette, kitchen, washing area done on several hospitals & distribution laundry machines
- Alternative water sources and water storage installed
- Adoption of hospitals by private investors and political leaders (e.g. Deputy Prime Minister)
- Hospital level sustainable cleaning campaign
- Experience sharing exchanges and visits between hospitals



CASH Progress to-date...



Zero tolerance for unclean services & physical environment

Challenges



- Instilling a culture of cleanliness
- Delay in redesigning the infrastructure of some hospitals
- Shortage of financial and material resources



Lesson learned

- Involvement of **political leaders & investors** is key
- Ownership by health care managers, HWs, clients & the public of the initiative
- Common understanding on **WASH activities in HCFs** by government decision makers & development partners
- Development of national plan with budget allocation (**ONE WaSH & CASH**), and Audit tools



Thank you



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