

# Achieving HRH Commitments

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# Serving Health Workers, Saving Lives



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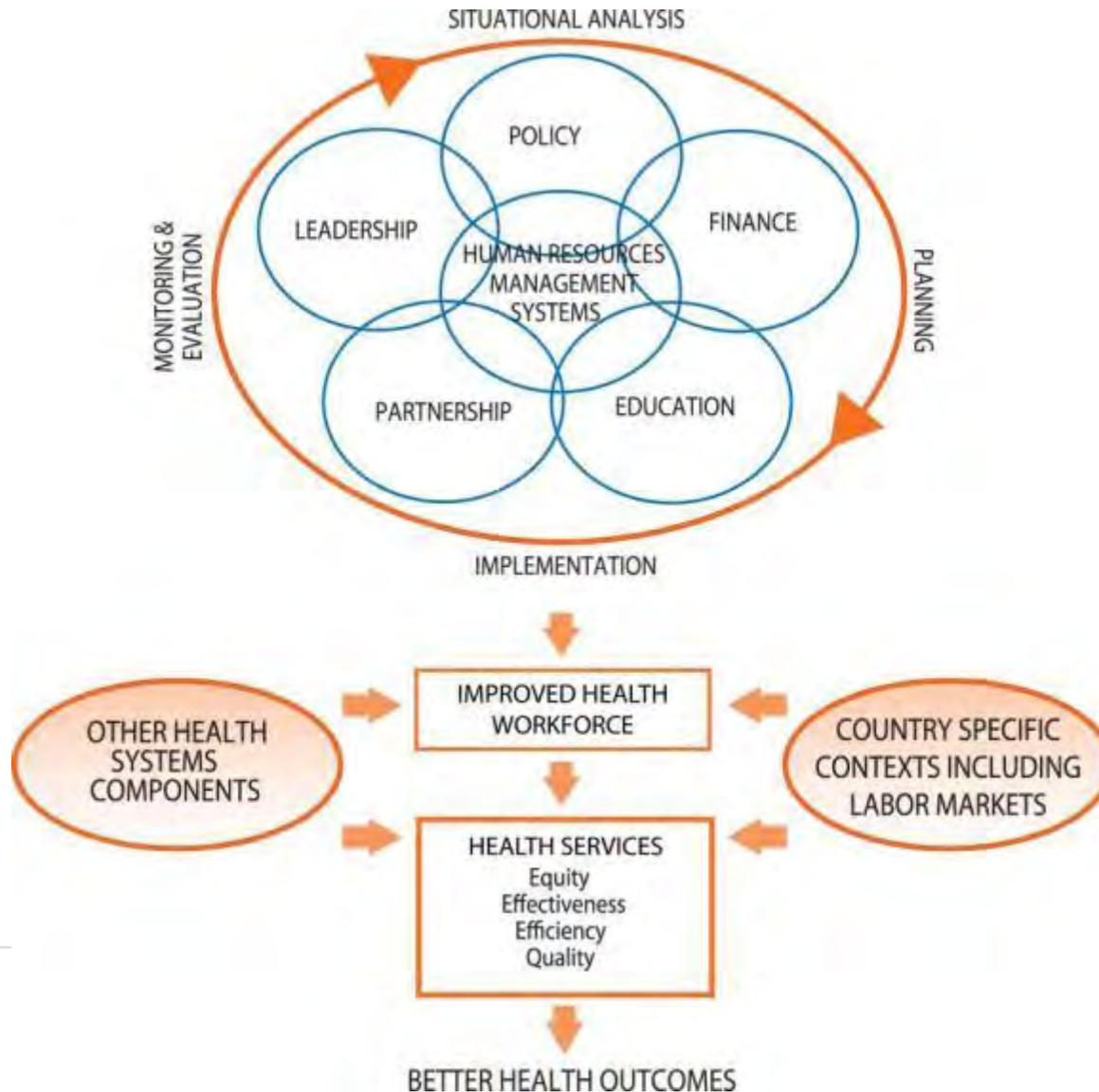
**Leader in innovations and cost savings**

**Catalyze** systems-wide change

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# HRH Action Framework



# Where We Work: 23 Countries

Angola  
Botswana  
DR Congo  
Dominican Republic  
Ethiopia  
Ghana  
Haiti  
India  
Kenya  
Laos  
Liberia  
Malawi



Mali  
Mozambique  
Namibia  
Nigeria  
Peru  
Rwanda  
Senegal  
South Africa  
Tanzania  
Uganda  
Zimbabwe

# Overview of Lightning Round

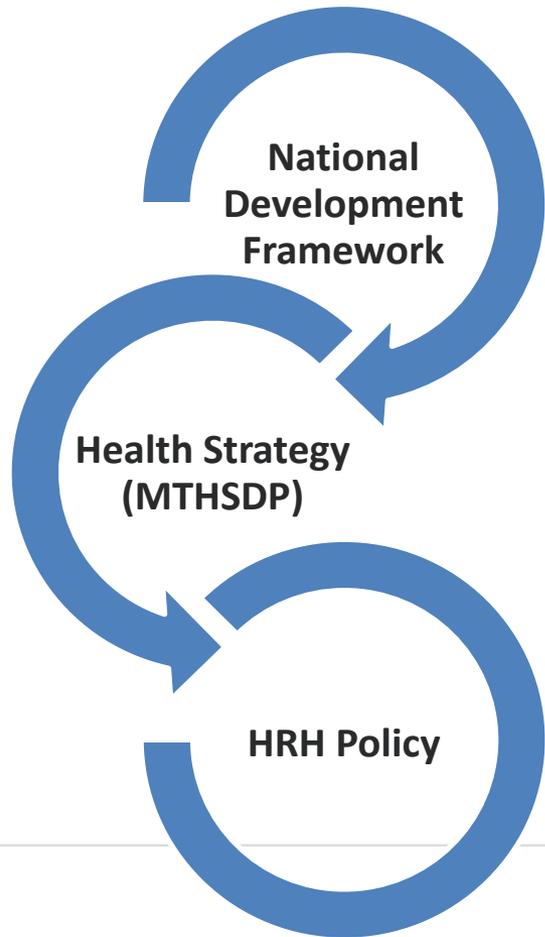


# Policy



# Enabling Health Workforce Policy

## New National HRH Policy: Ghana



Guiding HRH leadership & stakeholder engagement

Developing hands-on skills: HRH policy, planning & analysis

Strengthening country ownership and integration of HRH

# Expanding Access in Rural Areas

## Laos recruitment & retention policy

Compulsory 3-year **rural service** and **incentive package** for graduates of health professions



**400 new health workers** posted in one-third of country's rural districts



# Uganda: Using Data for Policymaking

Uganda increases health workforce budget by \$20 million, invests in hiring 8,000 new health workers and doubling doctor salaries



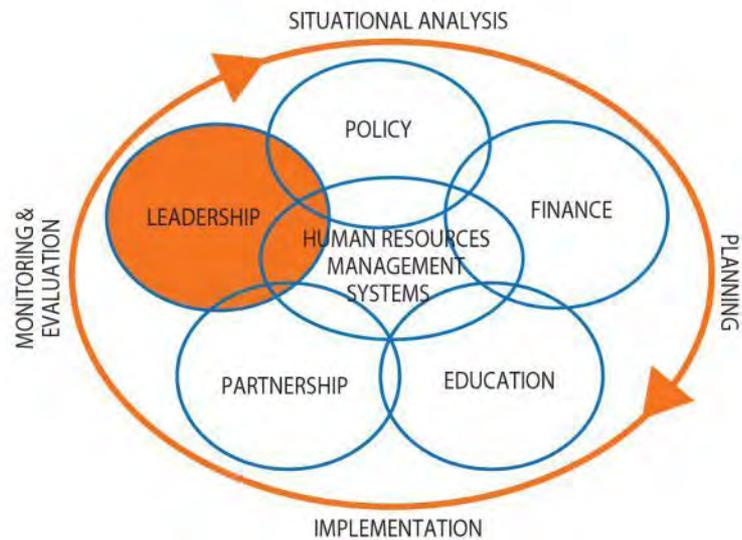
**Evidence-based planning** using data from iHRIS, rapid retention survey, and special studies

Multi-stakeholder **engagement**

**Advocacy**



# Leadership



# Strengthening Stakeholder Leadership Groups

## Guidelines for Forming and Sustaining Human Resources for Health Stakeholder Leadership Groups

APRIL 2011

Wynia J. Gormley, Training Resources Group, Inc.  
Sam McCaffery, Training Resources Group, Inc.



**Evidence-based guidance** and technical assistance supports effective coordinating mechanisms for diverse stakeholders

- Produces better HR data-sharing, informs policy choices, and ensures buy-in to plans and implementation



# Uganda: Leadership and Management

**Uganda is improving work climate to attract, retain, & motivate health workers through development of district leaders and managers.**

Budget to implement local HRH plans

Financial incentives & improved infrastructure

Systematic supportive supervision



# Gender Equality

In many countries women comprise > 75% of health workforce yet under-represented in leadership & management.

Women can face unequal opportunities for education and fair wages.

## Resources

eLearning courses on gender in the workforce

Report on gender and preservice education

Online advocacy tools



# Global Movement for Social Service Workforce

Landmark Cape Town conference

Social service workforce strengthening framework

Multi-country knowledge-sharing platform



Launch of Global Social Service Workforce Alliance

Country-level workforce mapping



# World's Largest Online HRH Library

## Improving the quality of HRH knowledge

62,000 people from 172 countries

4,000 quality controlled resources

E-learning platform with 2,000 users



# Human Resources Management

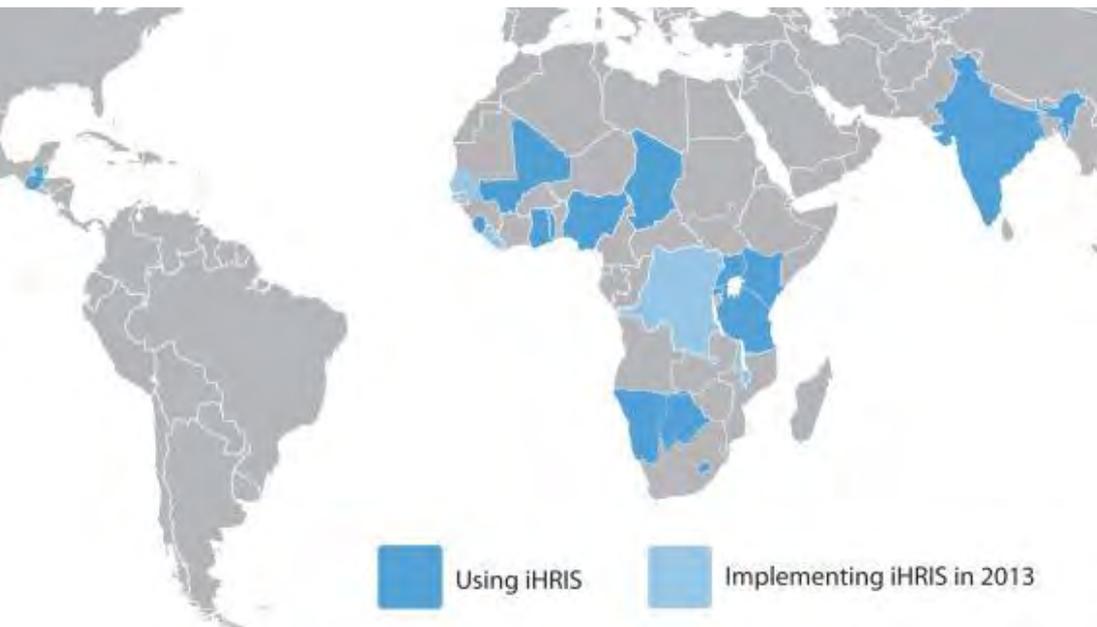


# HR Management Assessment Approach



**Guidance and resources for strengthening HR management systems  
and improving management of the health workforce**

# iHRIS Open Source Health Workforce Information Systems



**16** countries on **3** continents use iHRIS to support **675,000** health worker records for HRH decision-making

 **iHRIS Manage:** helps deploy and manage health workers

 **iHRIS Qualify:** registration and licensure

 **iHRIS Plan:** workforce planning and modeling

 **iHRIS Retain:** helps plan and cost retention interventions

 **iHRIS Train:** tracks preservice and in-service training

# FBO HRH Policies Improve Work Environment

No advertising, no JD

“Eternal” probation

No contracts

Uncertain salary payments

Interrupted vacation

No appraisals

Unclear promotions

Demotivation, exodus

**NEW HRH POLICY**  
with tools and  
templates

A change in FBO culture

HRH managers empowered

Fairer HRH actions

Fewer litigations

Improved safety

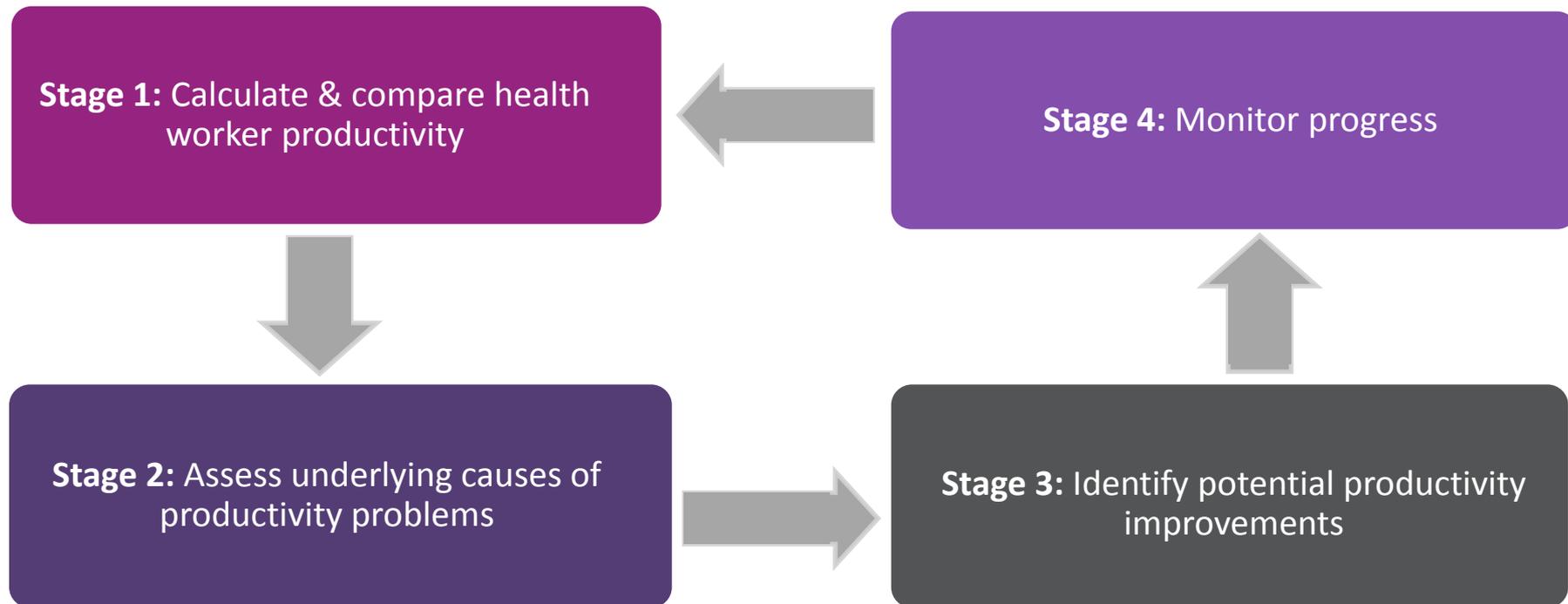
More HW, better distribution

More satisfied, less attrition

Better performance

# Health Workforce Productivity Analysis and Improvement Toolkit

Measures how well **inputs** (health workers) are transformed into **outputs** (health services) to increase efficiency of service delivery

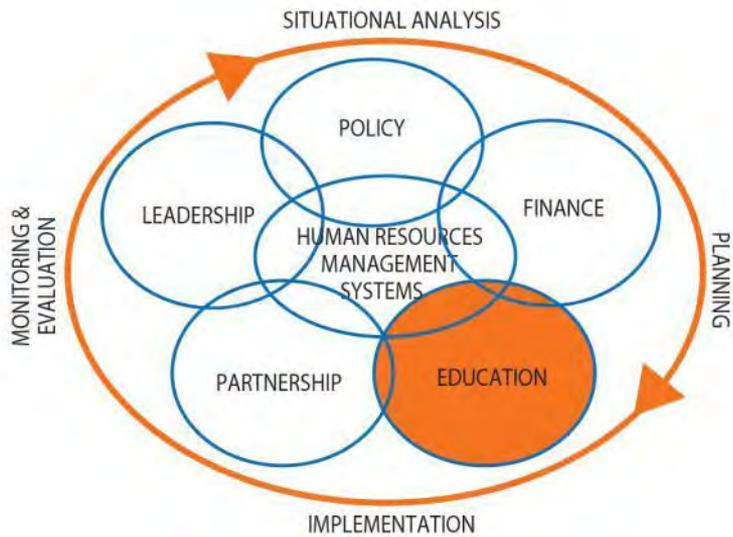


# Moderated Q&A: Part 1

**We would like to hear from you.**

**What questions or comments do  
you have?**

# Education



# Medical and Nursing Education Partnership Initiatives (MEPI & NEPI)

## PEPFAR initiative

### Targeted expertise for MEPI

Alumni tracking

eLearning

Community-based education

### Needs assessments for NEPI

Capacity and costing assessments

Identifying best investments



# Nigeria: Preservice Education Program



## Scholarships

1,354 midwifery students

711 community health extension workers

## Tutor training

60 tutors in LSS/IMCI from 19 institutions

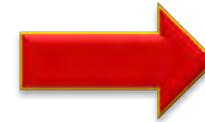
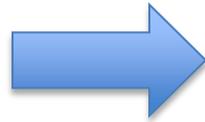
## Textbooks & equipment

## Leadership network



# Mali: Learning for Performance

A Guide & Toolkit for Health Worker Training and Education Programs



**Faculty/tutors**

**Learning materials/course**

**Supervision and mentoring**

**Approach used at Gao Nursing School with 350 students:**

- National nursing exam success rate increased from 78% to 98%, compared to Bamako 30-40%
- 99% recruited by MOH and working in the North
- MOH adopted strategy at national level

# mLearning: Spaced Education

## Methodology

Spacing and testing effects

Proven to increase knowledge retention and change practice behavior

## Pilot study in Ethiopia

Increased knowledge

High acceptability

## Interactive voice response in Senegal

FP/RH refresher on simple mobile phones

Convenient, feasible, acceptable

Significant gains in knowledge of family planning side effects and misconceptions



# Finance

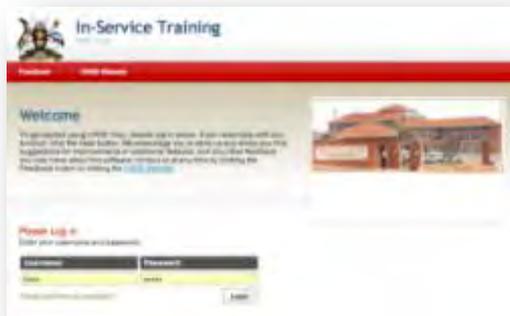


# Dominican Republic: Eliminating Ghost Workers

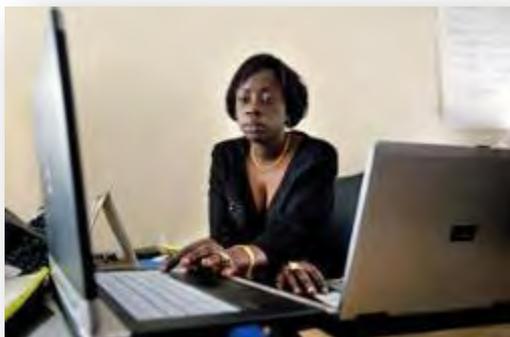
**The Ministry of Health uncovers 10,000 “ghost workers” through payroll cleanup, saves US\$7.7 million per year**



# Open Source Saves Resources



Supporting **675,000** health worker records in iHRIS saves countries over **\$120 million** in software licenses alone.



**Open source community** of 130 participants supports the software and local innovation.



# Guiding Investments in Preservice Education

## PEPFAR Initiative

## Estimating unit cost to produce a graduate

Unit cost to institution and clinical practice sites

Cost constraints to scale up number/quality

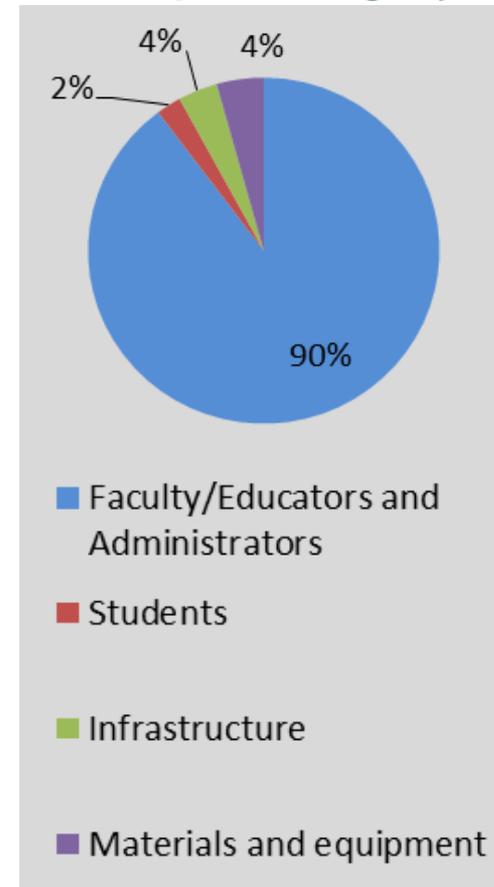
New unit cost after applying actions to increase number/quality

## Pilot in South Africa

Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery Program at Walter Sisulu University

Findings informed school's response to government's request to scale up production of graduates

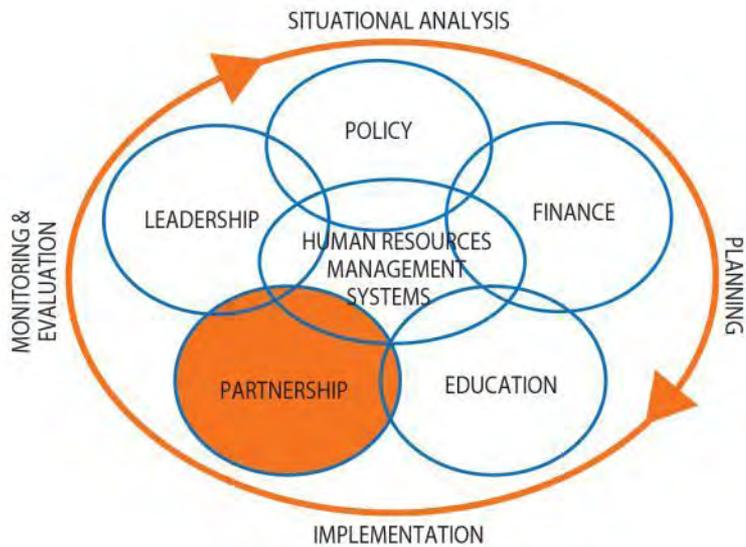
## Cost per category



# Namibia: Health Workforce Planning & Transition



# Partnership



# Regional Partnership with PPD for HRH Advocacy

## Network of African Parliamentarians on Committees of Health (NEAPACOH)

56 countries with 1.03 billion people

2013-2015 commitment to increase funding for HRH



# Supply Chain Workforce

Each year billions of US dollars are spent procuring health commodities, yet one-third of the world's population still lacks regular access to essential medicines.

## People that Deliver

- Build global and national capacity to develop sustainable excellence in human resources for supply chain management



### *Situational Analysis in Dominican Republic and El Salvador*

**Actions taken:** job descriptions, supervision manual, diploma course at NIPA, salary structures, supportive supervision training, motivation workshop, leadership training

Process and results used for **advocacy** to raise awareness of decision-makers



# Moderated Q&A: Part 2

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