

# OCTOBER 2025 NEWSLETTER



# **Protecting Communities Against Yellow Fever**

Action 4 Health Uganda (A4HU), in partnership with PATH through the Equity Accelerator Fund (EAF) project funded by Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, partnered with the District Health Teams of Mityana, Kassanda, and Mubende to support community mobilization during the Yellow Fever mass vaccination campaign in the greater Mubende region.



A4HU Officer receives his yellow fever jab

Guided by the Ministry of Health in Uganda, the campaign aimed to reach 90% of the population with the vaccine. It targeted everyone aged 1 to 60 years, and a single dose provided lifetime protection against Yellow Fever.



The Youth Truck solar powered public address system conducted awareness about the vaccination campaign

The Youth Truck was instrumental in creating awareness and mobilising the communities for this critical health exercise. Together with local leaders and health teams, we ensured that communities were informed, engaged, and protected.

A4HU Officer treks through a village with vaccination items during the Yellow fever vacinnation campaign.



# **A4HU signs MoU with Buliisa District**

We signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Buliisa District to facilitate the smooth implementation of the "Supporting Uganda's HIV and TB Reduction Strategic Plans" TASO-A4HU model. The project is being carried out in partnership with The AIDS Support Organisation (TASO) Uganda in Buliisa and Kyankwanzi Districts.



CEO Action 4 Health Uganda with Buliisa District Officials upon signing of MoU

The initiative aims to reach 3,600 vulnerable adolescent girls and young women (AGYW), as well as adolescent boys and young men (ABYM), through profiling, vetting, and enrollment. Once enrolled, the AGYW participants will receive at least eight sessions on life skills such as HIV prevention, counseling, and mental health. Following these sessions, participants will attend apprenticeship and soft skills programs designed to enhance their incomegenerating capacities. The Youth Truck will serve as a key mobilization tool to create demand for services targeting AGYW and ABYM in the districts. This project is funded by The Global Fund.

# Progress at the MHM Hub in Malangala

In collaboration with Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung (DSW), we are excited to launch the Menstrual Hygiene Project at the Malangala Youth Empowerment Center. Young people from Malangala Youth Empowerment Centre are making reusable sanitary pads, which they will sell at affordable prices. This initiative provides a source of income for the youth and enhances menstrual health and dignity for girls and women in their community. These pads are coined the name MARE Pads, derived from **Ma**langala **Re**usable pads (MARE), pronounced as MARI/MARRY.



CEO Action 4 Health Uganda interacts with the production team members



The Production Team poses with their equipment at the MHM Hub in Malangala

The project focuses on creating sustainable, community-led solutions to address ongoing menstrual hygiene challenges, thereby improving health outcomes and promoting gender equality by increasing access to affordable menstrual products and encouraging proper hygiene practices.

# Strengthening Community Health Through TB Contact Tracing and AGYW Empowerment Efforts in Kyankwanzi District

Health workers Kyankwanzi, in supported by Action 4 Health Uganda under the TASO project, have achieved progress notable combating in tuberculosis. Over the last month, they conducted contact tracing for 65 index clients, reaching 357 contacts, screening all effectively and ensuring necessary procedures. These efforts aim to expand community outreach, facilitate early detection of TB. and minimize transmission risks. Looking ahead, plans include extending contact tracing to cross-border cases and intensifying campaigns, awareness treatment support, and preventive measures.



Radio Talk shows helped to create awareness about the TB campaigns in Kyankwanzi District

Alongside TB initiatives, the district's Adolescent Girls and Young Women (AGYW) project continues to strengthen HIV prevention. Health workers engaged with AGYW groups, while peer facilitators, trained by TASO Stepping Stones experts, have empowered young women with life skills and sexual health knowledge. This holistic approach fosters teamwork, peer support, and knowledge sharing, helping young women navigate challenges. Together, these efforts strive to improve community health and empower youth through education, access, and support.



Training session of peer facilitators in Kyankwanzi District

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