

Antimicrobial Resistance Policy for Kenya

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AMR Policy Kenya



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

NATIONAL POLICY ON PREVENTION AND CONTAINMENT OF



ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE



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Defining AMR

- Disease causing microorganisms no longer responsive to previously effective agents,
- AMR increases morbidity, mortality, and health care costs, and
- Negatively impacts trade and economies.



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Why an AMR Policy in Kenya?

- Antimicrobial resistance on the rise,
- Misuse of antimicrobial agents,
 - OTC & self medication; counterfeit drugs
 - Rampant antimicrobial agents use in agriculture
 - No proper surveillance systems
- Impact on human & animal health is huge,
- Few new microbial agents under development



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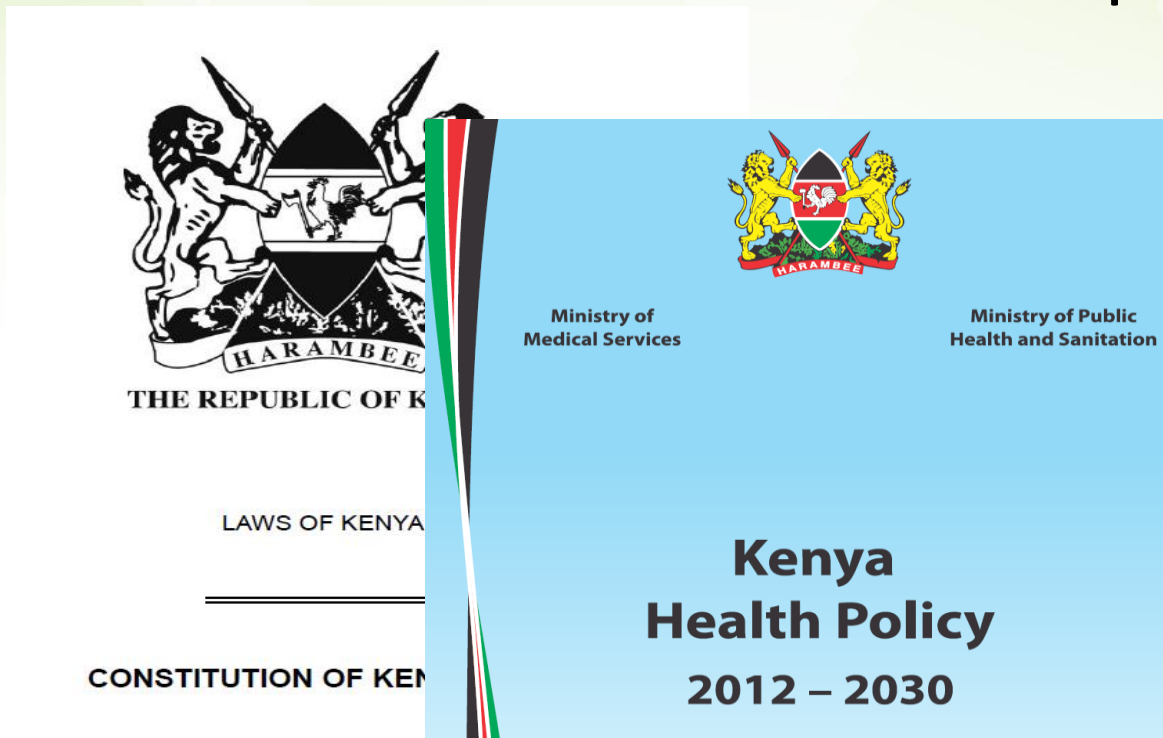
- Ministries of health and agriculture appointed a technical working group whose work culminated into a AMR policy for Kenya
- Identified key policy goals & interventions
- Anchored in national law (*2010 Constitution-bill of rights*) and other international commitments



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Place of AMR policy in national agenda

- Anchored in national laws & plans



Other policies: Agriculture, Veterinary, Livestock, Oceans & aquatics, National Infection Prevention and Control, and Kenya National Pharmaceutical Policy

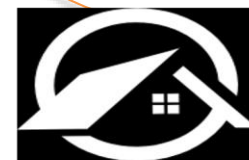
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Universal Health Coverage



Food Security



Affordable Housing



Manufacturing

Over arching goal/strategy

- Guide development of AMR National Action Plan
- Galvanize financial and technical support



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Policy objectives

1. Improving awareness and understanding of antimicrobial resistance;
2. Strengthening the knowledge & evidence;
3. Reducing incidence of infections (*prevention*),
4. Prudent use of antimicrobials in human, animal and plant health; and
5. Sustainable investment in new antimicrobial agents.



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Implementation Framework

- Legal Framework
 - Use existing laws- *to be amended as necessary,*
- Institutional framework
 - National government
 - Ministry of Health –leading
 - Other ministries- Agriculture, environment,
 - County governments – Implementation & monitoring



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AMR Policy Implementation Coordination

- Multi-sectoral AMR secretariat hosted at MoH,
- National Antimicrobial Stewardship Interagency Committee (NASIC),
- County Antimicrobial Stewardship Interagency Committee (CASIC),
- Funding- National & County governments and development partners



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NATIONAL ACTION PLAN ON PREVENTION AND CONTAINMENT OF



ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE

2017 -2022



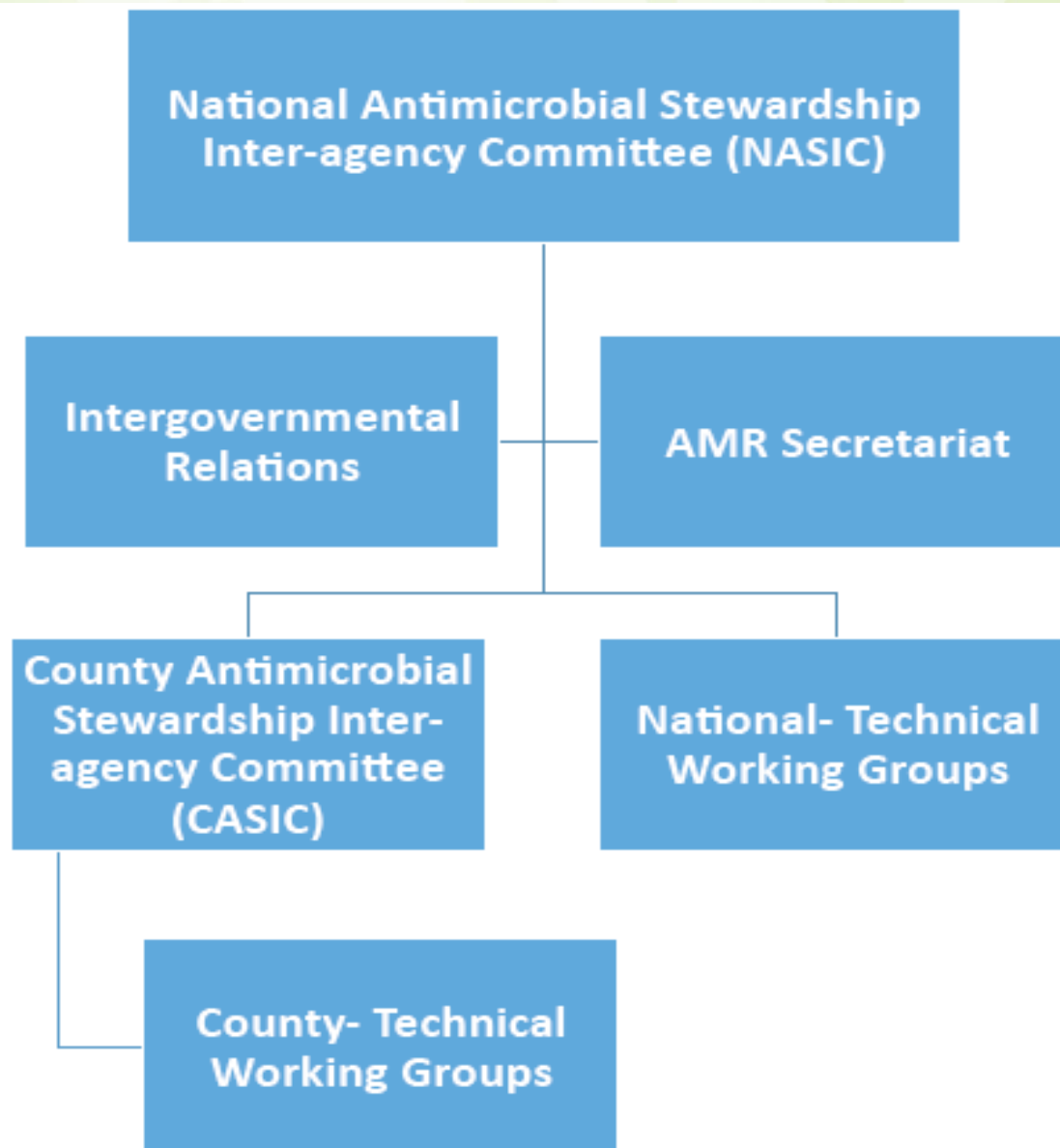
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First NAP: Aim is to address
the 5 strategic objectives in
the AMR Policy



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Coordination



Strategic Objectives

Strategic Issue	Strategic Objective
1. Public Awareness and Education	Improve public awareness and understanding, and promote education and training of professionals
2. Surveillance and Monitoring	Continuously monitor antimicrobial resistance and use of antimicrobials, and appropriately understand the trends and spread of antimicrobial resistance
3. Infection Prevention and Control	Prevent the spread of antimicrobial-resistant organisms by implementing appropriate infection prevention and control measures
4. Appropriate Use of Antimicrobials	Promote appropriate use of antimicrobials in the fields of healthcare, livestock production, agriculture and aquaculture
5. Research and Development	Promote research on antimicrobial resistance and foster research and development to secure the means to prevent, diagnose and treat the antimicrobial-resistant infections

Implementing the Plan (1)

Strategic Intervention	Activity	Deliverables	Timeframe	Implementing Organization(s)
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- Human Health sector actions
- Animal Health & Crop sector
- M & E plan with SMART Indicators
- Mid-term evaluation in 2021



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Implementation (2)

- Media campaigns are ongoing- AMR media training etc.,
- Piloted surveillance system- *CDC and National Public Health Laboratory Services,*
- Expansion- based on lessons from the pilot,
- Mid-term evaluation in 2021



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