

A Discussion Guide to the Situational Analysis

NIHR Global Health Research Group on Vaccines for vulnerable people in Africa (Vanguard) Social Science and Community Engagement Work Packages (2&5)

Title: Situational Analysis Guide for Stakeholder engagements on Koome Island Visit
(Work Package (WP) 2 & Work Package (WP) 5).

Purpose of the visit

1. To identify and seek active participation of stakeholders and gather relevant information ahead of the case studies and community engagement activities.
2. To observe and identify community structures (e.g., security/police presence, population distribution, villages, potential meeting venues).

Stakeholders / Key Players to engage

- LC1 chairpersons / LC3 / Sub- County chiefs
- EPI focal persons (Health workers)
- Village Health Teams (VHTs)
- Head teachers / teachers
- Youth councillors
- Beach Management Unit leaders (fisherfolk representatives)

Key Information Area

WP5

- How best can communities be engaged to improve or influence vaccine uptake?
- Common communication channels for sharing health information (e.g., health campaigns).
- Language(s) widely spoken.
- Meeting places / community structures useful for engagement (e.g., churches, mosques, associations).
- Key contact people for initial engagement.

WP2

- Immunisation schedules and days; distribution of health facilities.
- Population and household structure.

- Recommendations for the selection of study sites.
- Common health-seeking behaviours.
- Common vaccine-preventable diseases.
- Ideal times for fieldwork.
- Availability of locally based staff for recruitment.
- Local terminology for vaccines/vaccination and other fishing community-specific terms.

General Information to Capture

- Stakeholder analysis – key influencers (leaders, health workers, educators, community members).
- Economic activities.
- Water, hygiene, and sanitation facilities; waste management practices.
- Cultural practices.
- Formal and informal leadership structures.