LIFELINE MALAWI

Report To

AMOR FOUNDATION

Maternal Health Services for March 2011

Family Planning

- A total of 521 clients accessed family planning services in March 2011. This represents 14 percent higher than February's 456 clients.
- There were 226 new acceptors, 289 women revisiting and 6 restarting family planning services.
- The data on family planning methods have been summarized in a chart in figure 1 below.

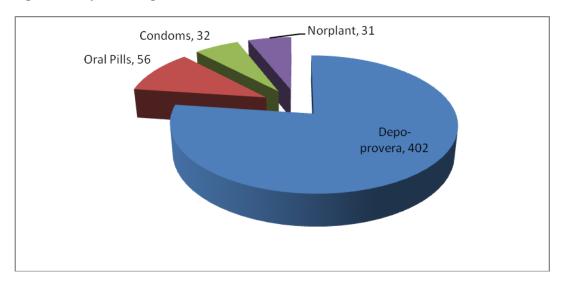


Fig. 1: Family Planning methods and # of Clients that accessed each method

- As depicted in the chart above, the most popular contraceptive method was Depo-provera (Injectible) which was chosen by 402 (77%) and none of the clients used Tubal Ligation method in March 2011.
- There were 18 clients who accessed family planning in March who were less than 19 years of age and the majority of the clients (58) were from the age group of 20-24.

Antenatal Care

 A total of 304 pregnant women attended antenatal care in March 2011, 139 of them were new, a significant increase from 94 new attendees in February 2011.
 About 19 percent (25) of the new pregnant women reported within 0 -12 weeks of their pregnancy. The rest (81%) reported after 13 weeks of their pregnancy.

- 23 (8%) women were accompanied by their spouses (husbands) to the antenatal clinic. As one way of promoting male involvement in care of the pregnancy, such couples are given the first priority.
- 68 women received the recommended 2 doses of Sulphadoxine Pyrimethamine (SP) tablets to as presumptive Therapy for Malaria.
- 22 women received 0-1 dose of TTV while 101women received 2+ doses of TTV.

Maternity Services

 The total number of babies born at the clinic since AMOR Maternity unit became operational is 893, 39 of which were in March 2011, however 38 of them were alive.

Fig.3: Maternity and Newborn statistics for March 2011

AMOR Maternity Unit: March 2011			
Total Admissions	49	Twin deliveries	1
Total Deliveries	38 (39 babies)	Breech	1
Premature delivery	2	Neonatal deaths	1
Still births	0	Maternal deaths	0
Incomplete abortions	2	Referrals	11
Prolonged labour	2	Obstetric haemorrhage	0
Hypertension	0	Delivery in-transit	3
Transfer-ins	0	Delivery at home and reviewed at Maternity unit	2

- 15 (38%) of the babies born were female.
- 34 of the 38 deliveries (89%) were conducted by skilled attendants (Nurses/Midwives).
- 4 babies were born under weight (<2500g) and 37 of the 39 live babies were initiated on breast feeding within the first 30 minutes of birth as recommended by Ministry of Health (MoH) Policy).
- The following obstetric complications were referred to the next level of care; 2 cases of prolonged labour, 2 cases of incomplete abortion and 1 case of eclampsia, 1 case of foetal distress, 1 case of premature delivery, 2 cases of uterine inertia and 2 cases of Cephalo-pelvic disproportion (CPD).
- About 76 percent of the mothers who delivered during the previous reporting period (February) came for postnatal services in March; however, this is 11 percent lower than what was recorded in February.

Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV (PMTCT)

- All 49 pregnant mothers admitted at AMOR maternity unit had been tested for HIV before delivery or referral. Two women (4%) were HIV positive, both from previous test and all of them were initiated on Cotrimoxazole Preventive Therapy.
- 94 percent of 304 pregnant women who came for antenatal services were offered HIV testing; 10 of them were HIV positive, 8 new and 2 from previous test.

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