

KPA 16TH ASC: A FOCUS ON EARLY LIFE DETERMINANTS

CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS



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KPA Mission

To be the **guide** and **leader** in comprehensive child healthcare delivery through promotion of best practice in paediatrics training, research, policy formulation and capacity building of members



We the members of KPA hereby resolve to:

On the issue that NCDs are not properly addressed:

- To raise awareness on autoimmune conditions affecting children in Kenya
- To recognise risk factors and create awareness about the growing epidemic of allergy disorders
- Be more aware about rare genetic disorders and identify children with birth defects including CHDs for early referral
- Create awareness about the need for developmental paediatricians



Addressing NCDs..

- To address nutrition as a modifiable solution for many NCDs shown to be developmentally programmed early in life
- To tackle obesity and type 1 DM in children
- Be part of efforts to support addiction prevention and other health issues affecting adolescents in Kenya
- To advocate for road safety for children in Kenya and develop internal capacity lobbying for emergency response plans

Neonatal health indicators have not changed much...

- To ensure neonates in Kenya receive the best standards of care that ensure their survival
- That the best new technologies like CPAP are made available to all children that need them
- To improve the quality of neonatal care by using evidence to inform practice



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Problem of common and infectious diseases as major killer of children

- To join the fight in ending preventable deaths from tuberculosis in Kenya
- To join efforts in antibiotic stewardship to mitigate the rising challenge of antibiotic resistance
- To be part of advocacy in increasing vaccine coverage and addressing vaccine hesitancy
- To continue the fight against malaria



Challenges in Health policies and Devolution..

- To provide guidance at county level on the policies, standards and norms needed for effective devolution of health
- Engage in better collaboration: Stop talking to yourselves! Forum for all stakeholders to dialogue/accountability
- Be involved in the health care devolution decision making processes
- Advocate for universal health coverage: rights' based approach

There is low production of local research findings and their application

- To provide good quality data to inform quality improvement efforts
- To engage more in KEPRECON: Excellence in paediatric care, training, research and service delivery
- To support younger members to acquire grant writing skills and to participate in research to provide local solutions

From the outgoing chair..

- Be part of the solution
- There is urgency to make a mark in health; we have a privilege to serve: what legacy do you want to leave behind?

