

Vihiga Animal Health workers CBO formation held on 17th and 18th March 2011

Vihiga Animal Health Workers CBO was established and registered on 18th March 2011 as an income generation, information sharing and networking platform for the Community Animal Health Workers and Animal Health Assistants in Vihiga County.

The group's establishment is part of sustainability and community initiatives under the WEKLEP. The members were enthusiastic that the new group will help in fundraising and initiating programmes that will be beneficial to CAHWs and community in general.

The following officials were elected to represent the **Vihiga Animal Health workers CBO**

1. Chairperson: George K Lung'ao
2. Secretary: Milkah A Amadadi
3. Treasurer: Susan Adisa
4. Vice Chairperson : Nelson Atsali
5. Vice Secretary: Ruth Ambogo
6. Member: Charles L. Ondego
7. Member: Kennedy Ambani

The group formation sessions were facilitated by Dr Kithuka, a consultant from FARM Africa who has vast experiences in groups' formation and dynamics.

Immediate outputs: The group developed their own constitution, registered with the Ministry of Children and Social Services. They also opened a bank Account. All the members contributed at least Kshs. 3000 which was used for registration.

Immediate Actions

- Analysis of the stock needs for vet shops. This analysis will help to establish local needs in preparation of opening and stocking drug shops. Other members will get benefits from the established revolving fund.
- Loans repayment modalities shall be developed to meet the objectives of the group.
- For a start the group will be working from the Agriculture Desk of CPDA Field Office.
- The group will work closely with the Vihiga Dairy Goat Farmers Association to ensure that the dairy goats are well managed.