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# ANNUAL REPORT 2024

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## **EXCUTIVE DIRECTOR** MESSAGE



### Hamisi Msagama **Executive Director**

As we reflect on the past year's accomplishments, I am filled with pride and gratitude as I present our Annual Report for 2024. This year has been remarkable for One Health Society as we have expanded our efforts to address the complex challenges at the intersection of human, animal, and environmental health.

Our notable achievement is establishing the Tanzania Parliamentarians Alliance for Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR).

This coalition has been pivotal in advocating for policies and practices that combat AMR, ensuring that we safeguard the effectiveness of lifesaving medications for future generations. The collaborative spirit demonstrated by this alliance is a testament to what can be achieved when leaders unite for a common cause.

Our participation in the AMR High-Level Meeting at UNGA79 marked a significant milestone in our international advocacy efforts. The opportunity to engage with global leaders allowed us to contribute to crucial discussions surrounding AMR on an influential platform, amplifying our commitment to this global health threat.

Additionally, our involvement in the Science Summit and the 4th Ministerial Conference on AMR has further solidified our position as thought leaders in the health community. These events provided us with valuable insights and fostered important collaborations that will enhance our strategies moving forward.

We are also proud to have sponsored the inaugural Tanzania One Health Conference, which brought together key stakeholders to share knowledge and strengthen partnerships. This conference was a crucial step in promoting a unified approach to health challenges in Tanzania, demonstrating that we can achieve more together.

Our coordinated AMR survey across four regions was another significant initiative this year. The data we gathered not only highlighted the current state of AMR within our communities but also set the stage for targeted interventions and policies aimed at reducing its impact.

Furthermore, our involvement in the national technical workshop showcased our dedication to fostering dialogue and collaboration among experts. By sharing best practices and aligning our efforts, we can ensure a comprehensive approach to tackling health challenges.

As we move forward, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all our partners, our team, and the government. Your unwavering support and commitment have been invaluable to our success. Together, we are making a real difference in addressing health challenges, and I am excited about the possibilities that lie ahead.

Thank you for standing with us in our mission to enhance health outcomes for all. Together, we will continue to foster a healthier, more resilient, and more equitable society.

# Our Partners



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# **List Of Acronnyms**

AMR Antimicrobial Resistance

**CSSC** Christian Social Services Commission

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of

the United Nations

**GHSA** Global Health Security Agenda

**OHS** One Health Society

NTDs Neglected Tropical Diseases

**WAAW2024** World AMR Awareness Week

(WAAW2024)

**WOAH** World Organization for Animal Health

**WHO** World Health Organization

**WHO Afro** World Health Organization African

Region

## **MILESTONE**

## Established Tanzania Parliamentarian Alliance for AMR

- We Secured Political commitment on AMR Agenda.
- Capacity building and trained for Members of Parliament in Tanzania
- Brought AMR Agenda to the Parliament trough sensitization visit

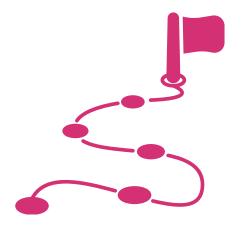


#### Received Special Accreditation to High Level Meeting on AMR during the 79th United Nations General Assembly

- Participated and Spoke in Science Summit during UNGA 79
- UNGA79 (Science Summit)
  - The Role of Africa Science Leadership: Advancing Sustainable Development in Africa
  - One Health Plenary
  - Executive Brunch Roundtable on WASH in Health Care Facilities Advocacy

#### **Global Platform**

Joined the AMR partnership platform under the Quadripartite organization (WHO, FAO, WOAH, UNEP)



- Conducted Impact assessment survey on AMR campaigns in four Regions (Dodoma, Dar es Salaam, Morogoro and Mwanza) under FAO sponsorship
- Conducted Community Engagement Outreach to Maasai Community under South Centre sponsorship

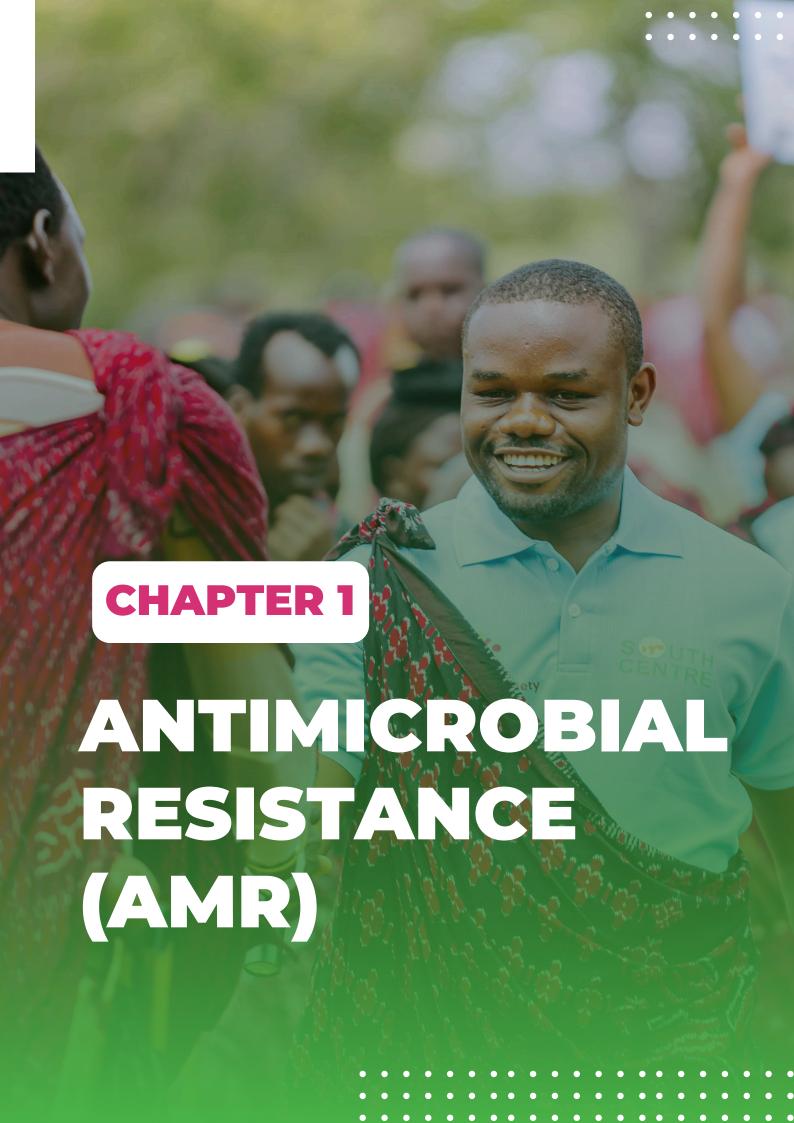
#### Conference & Workshop

- Continental Veterinary Workforce Conferences in Nairobi Kenya
- 1st Tanzania One Health Conference
- Tanzania Health Summit
- World NTDs Day
- World Antimicrobial Awareness Week 2024
- Received Accreditation to the 4th Global High level Ministerial Conference in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
- Recognized by Prime Minister for sponsorship and organizing support during Tanzania One Health Conference under the Prime Minister's Office.
- Appointed member of the National Awareness, Advocacy, and Communication Technical Working Group coordinator under the Prime Minister's office, One Health Section.



# Our 4 Years of Experience

- 2024 marked our fourth year in advocating and making impact addressing global health challenges in Tanzania. Through these four years we have managed to hone our skills, knowledge, team members and coverage.
- Most important we have been able to expand our horizon to engage with more international's stakeholders. Our experience encompasses low-level (community engagement) and high-level (policy) advocacy intervention.
- Training and capacity building to empower individuals and organizations, foster innovation through media strategies, and actively promote high-level political engagement to drive meaningful change.



# IMPACTING LOCAL COMMUNITIES

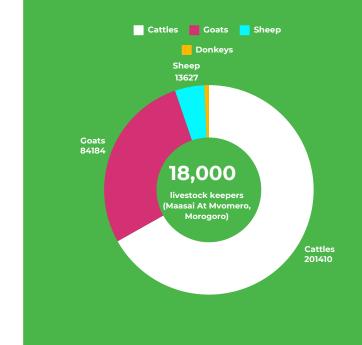


During the World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) 2024 we travelled 293.2 km to Dakawa, Morogoro-Tanzania, as part of our efforts to raise awareness about Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR). Our campaign focused on delivering actionable messages that community members can do to combat AMR. We successfully reached approximately 10000 pastoralists in this hard-to-reach area.

We used mixed innovative approaches to deliver messages. We empower a group of Maasai who can understand and grasp AMR messages in Swahili language so that they can deliver the messages in Maasai language to their community; we included traditional dance aspect that attracted attention and community engagement. We also distributed hand washing backets to influence hand hygiene as a way to prevent and control infections.

Through this campaign, we reaffirm our commitment to fighting against AMR. We believe that raising awareness and equipping communities with the knowledge to act responsibly is crucial in mitigating the risks associated with antimicrobial resistance. Together, we can ensure a healthier future for both people and animals.







Since 2017, Tanzania has actively participated in World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) to address this challenge, conducting various awareness campaigns under the coordination of the Ministry of Health. Despite these efforts, gaps in understanding and behavior towards antimicrobial use persist, necessitating a comprehensive evaluation to inform the country's future AMR strategies

One Health Society with financial support from FAO conducted an evaluation survey in four regions Dar es Salaam, Dodoma, Mwanza, and Morogoro to assess the impact of these campaigns on knowledge, attitudes, and practices (KAP) related to AMR. The survey covered 5,453 participants (3,283 males and 2,170 females) from diverse socio-economic backgrounds. During the survey, we engaged a youth task force (Volunteers), which is made up of university students trained through our capacity-building and mentorship program.



This year, our training program successfully equipped over 200 university students with skills in community advocacy, risk communication, One Health messaging, project management, and evaluation.

We have made significant progress in promoting youth engagement and empowerment, aligning with global initiatives like the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. By preparing young leaders, we contribute to a more inclusive society that values youth contribution. Our University students training program utilize the network of students professional association like Tanzania Pharmaceutical Students Association (TAPSA), Students One Health Innovation Club (SOHIC) and others

Our goal is to form a strong youth task force to address Global health issues and One Health agendas, ensuring young people lead these efforts now and in the future. Through partnerships, we are dedicated to amplifying youth perspectives and fostering innovation in public health challenges.



The recent One Health modular short course at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) provided significant benefits to our organization. Our NTDs Team lead Yona Yangaza participated alongside 25 personnel from the sub-region, engaging with experts from diverse fields to deepen their understanding of the interconnectedness of human, animal, and environmental health.

This course enriched the learning experience, bridging theory with real-world applications. As a result, participants returned with a renewed commitment to advocate for the One Health approach, fostering collaboration and innovation within our organization.

# GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP & PLATFORMS

## AMR Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Platform

The AMR Multi-stakeholders Partnership Platform was established and facilitated by the Quadripartite (WOAH, FAO, UNEP, and WHO), aims to catalyze a global movement for action against Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) by fostering cooperation between a diverse range of stakeholders at all levels across the one health spectrum. It seeks to ensure a healthier, more sustainable and resilient present and future in which Antimicrobials are preserved as critical lifesaving medicines accessible to everyone.

In 2024, One Health Society joins the platform as a new member together with other esteemed organizations such as UNICEF, Gavi, The Vaccine Alliance, UNITE Parliamentarians Network for Global Health, Zihi Institute Generational Stewards for Antimicrobials, Good Samaritan University Hospital, and the Microbiology Society Pandemic Action Network.

One Health Society's selection to join the AMR Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Platform brings significant benefits for both the organization and the broader fight against antimicrobial resistance (AMR) and open doors for collaboration and partnership at global level.

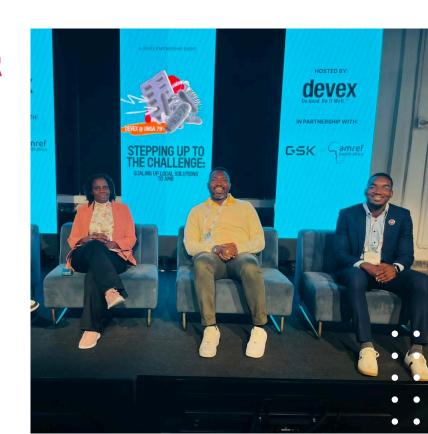




2024 marked as our very active year in the international space that allowed us to be recognized and achieved special accreditation to attend the High level meeting on AMR which took place on the sideline of UNGA 79 in New York, USA. Through our participation in the HLM on AMR, One Health Society was able to witness the second Political Declaration on AMR endorsed by head of states to set the focus and goals in the fight against AMR.

## Science Summit New York, USA

The chairperson and secretary of the alliance, together with the director of a One Health society, actively engaged as speakers and panelists at the Science Summit. Their contributions enriched discussions on the vital role of African science leadership in advancing sustainable development and the One Health approach.





As a member of the Global AMR Multi-stakeholder Partnership Platform we managed to get accreditation to attend the 2nd Plenary Assembly of the AMR Partnership Platform and the 4th Global High-Level Ministerial Conference (14-17 November 2024) in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

Our participation was both productive and insightful through networking and participating in different number of side events discussions to achieve the Jeddah Declaration. The events provided a unique opportunity to engage with key stakeholders from various sectors dedicated to combating Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) through a collaborative One Health approach.

During the plenary discussions, we actively contributed to the dialogue focused on practical and actionable solutions to address AMR across human, animal, agricultural, and environmental sectors. Our involvement allowed us to share our experiences and learn from the best practices presented by other member states















One Health Society led the establishment of the groundbreaking initiative, Tanzania Parliamentarian Alliance for AMR, committed to addressing AMR using a One Health Approach. The alliance fosters integrative and coordinated efforts through policy advocacy, community awareness and sensitization, Preventive health (such as WASH), and resource mobilization for AMR intervention.

The establishment of the Tanzania
Parliamentarian Alliance for AMR was driven
by the urgent need to engage policymakers
(parliamentarians) in the collective fight
against antimicrobial resistance (AMR).
Recognizing that effective legislative action
and policy advocacy are crucial components
in tackling this growing public health crisis.
Engaging parliamentarians deemed
essential to ensure that AMR is prioritized
within national health agendas and to
facilitate the development of effective
policies that promote sustainable health
outcomes for all.

The establishment of Tanzania
Parliamentarian Alliance not only
bridged a gap between scientific
evidence and Policy making but also
aligned with the Global Political
declaration came out at UNGA79 and
the Jeddah commitment. This
initiative reinforces the coordinated
efforts to address AMR. Our
Parliamentarian Alliance is formed of
15 most active members of
Parliament who have received
training and capacity building to be
able to advocate for sustainable
policies on health.

The establishment of the Tanzania
Parliamentarian Alliance for AMR was
made possible through multistakeholders collaboration including
Prime Minister Office-One Health
Section, Ministry of Health (MoH),
British Society for Antimicrobial
Chemotherapy (BSAC) and
Capacitating One Health in Southern
and Eastern Africa (COHESA)



In Collaboration with WaterAid
Tanzania, the Tanzania Parliamentarian
Alliance got a chance to participate in
the Executive Brunch Roundtable on
WASH in Health facilities. With the
Chairperson of the Alliance Hon. Dr.
Hamisi Kingwangala as the keynote
speakers.

Alliance leaders used this platform to highlight the critical need of safe and clean water and sanitation in health facilities in order to lower the infection burden and improve provision of care.

"To address these challenges, we must act collectively and decisively to prioritize and invest in WASH services in healthcare facilities. The integration of WASH services in our healthcare facilities is not just an option; it is an imperative. It is a foundation upon which we can build a healthier, more resilient Tanzania. By prioritizing WASH, we will safeguard maternal health, enhance public health, and combat the growing threat of antimicrobial resistance"

Hon. Dr. Hamisi Kigwangalla (MP) –Alliance Chairperson





### **Alliance Representatives** attended United Nation **General Assembly**

The Chairperson and Secretary of the Tanzania Parliamentarians Alliance for Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) represented Tanzania with distinction at the United Nations General Assembly. Their presence at this prestigious platform signifies Tanzania's unwavering dedication to combating the global threat of antimicrobial resistance. By engaging in high-level discussions and fostering international collaboration, they are pivotal in shaping effective strategies and policies to address this critical public health challenge, reinforcing the imperative for a unified global response.

#### **Post-UNGA Training to Members of Parliament**

We conducted a post-UNGA training for Members of Parliament (Alliance members) that focused on the Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Political Declaration, which was endorsed by heads of state. The training aimed to enhance understanding of the global focus on the AMR agenda and to identify the best ways for members of the alliance to translate the declaration into action.







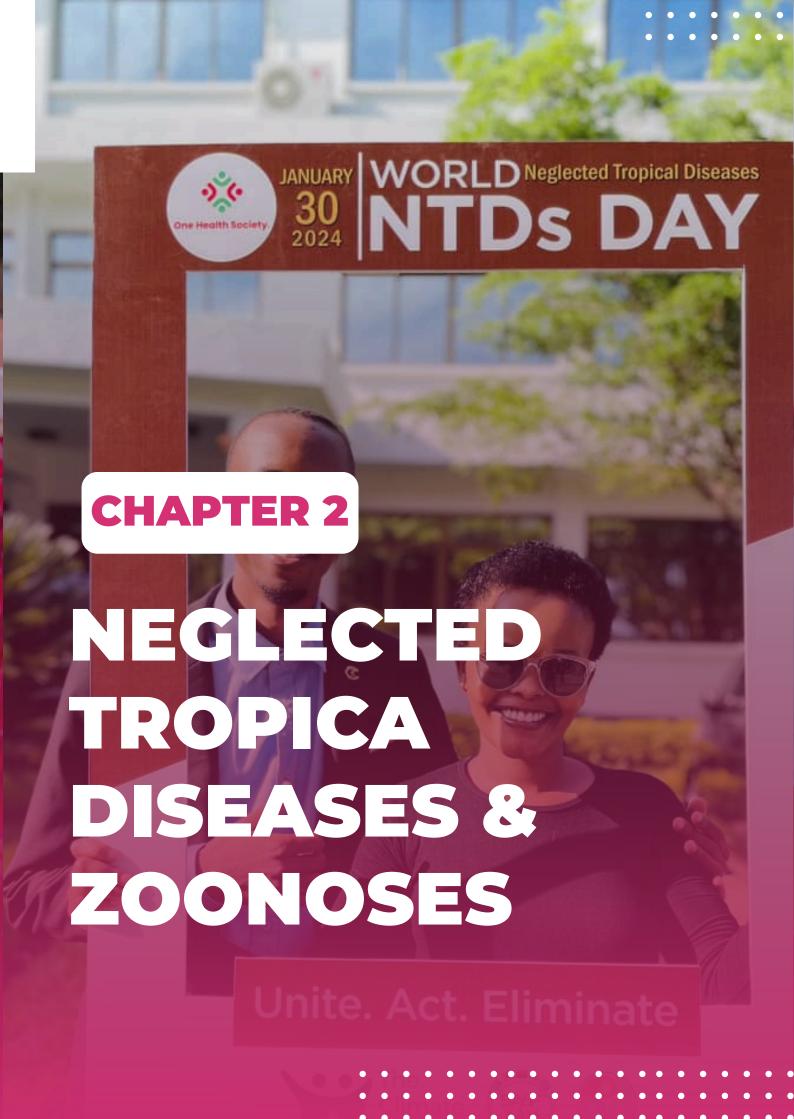
# Visit to Tanzania Parliament for AMR sensitization to MPs

We were thrilled to receive a special invitation from the alliance chairperson, Alongside CSSC, COHESA, WaterAid, USAID-Breakthrough Action, and key ministries, we had the wonderful opportunity to visit the Tanzanian Parliament and engage with MPs in an informative discussion about the importance of addressing AMR collectively



# Members of Parliament commemorating the World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) 2024

Members of Parliament gathered for the 4th National Symposium, an important event dedicated to honoring World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) 2024. During the symposium, they actively participated in discussions, sharing their insights and personal experiences. Many expressed a strong sense of purpose and determination to play a vital role in advancing the agenda on antimicrobial resistance (AMR), recognizing the critical challenges posed by this global health issue. Their contributions underscored a collective commitment to fostering awareness and driving meaningful change in the fight against AMR.





Commemorated World Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) Day 2024 We commemorated World Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) Day 2024 under the inspiring global theme: Unite, Act, and Eliminate. This year's celebrations reaffirm our commitment to driving advocacy, building partnerships, and taking decisive action to end the burden of NTDs which affect over 1.7 billion people worldwide.

## **ACTIVITIES**



Featured in the World Health Organization (WHO) NTDs partner video.

#### 460+ Views on YouTube

We shared compelling stories and testimonies from communities impacted by NTDs and Youth's role in fighting NTDs towards 2030. We also highlighted the urgent need for strengthened action. These videos underscored how uniting diverse stakeholders can accelerate progress toward eliminating these diseases and restoring health and dignity.

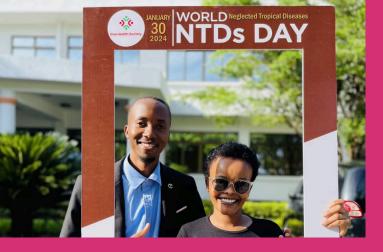
Hosted Online (Virtual discussion), bringing together key voices in the fight against NTDs.

#### 120+ online Participant

#### Speaker

- Omotayo Faith (Nigeria): A public health expert and advocate for integrating NTD programs into universal health coverage.
- Mr Betrand Byishimo (Rwanda): A leading researcher on communitydriven approaches to NTD elimination at Bilharzia storytelling
- Dr. Erick Sylivester (Tanzania): A dentist and project team at One Health Society championing skinrelated NTDs through capacitybuilding initiatives specifically on Noma diseases.





#### Social Media Engagement

#### 50k+ Social media Impression

We leveraged the power of social media to spread the message of unity and action. Through platforms like X (Twitter), linkedin and Instagram, we shared: infographics on the burden of NTDs and elimination milestones, Stories of resilience and recovery from affected communities, Interactive hashtags such as #Unite, Act, Eliminate, #WorldNTDsDay2024, sparking conversations and increasing visibility of the global fight against NTDs



## UK Parliament Conference on World NTDs Day 2024

Honored to participate in a high-level conference hosted at the United Kingdom Parliament. This prestigious event brought together policymakers, global health leaders, researchers, and advocates to discuss the progress, challenges, and strategies for addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs).

# Participated in International League of Dermatology: Skin NTDs Photo Campaign

600+ Views on YouTube

#### Link to The Video: Click Here

In collaboration with the International League of Dermatology, we showcased an impactful photo-sharing campaign. This initiative focused on raising awareness of skin NTDs—such as leprosy, lymphatic filariasis, and onchocerciasis and the life-changing treatments available.

 The campaign amplified the voices of patients and healthcare providers, driving home the message that elimination is achievable with sustained commitment.

#### Short Video Awareness Message

17k+ Social media Impression

#### **Link to The Video:** Click Here

The video featured

- Ms. Laurel Kivuyo Founder of The Climate Hub. Ms. The video highlighted the close relationship between climate change and Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs).
- Dr. Rajab Awami. Veterinarian Expert. brought attention to rabies as a critical NTDs and highlighted the One Health approach to tackling it.
- Dr. Kuduwishe Kisowile. highlighted the importance of sustainable funding for NTD programs, and the need for long-term financial stability.
- Ms. Vivian Joseph Head of Health Cluster SAYOF -SADC. shared her experiences on the importance of youth engagement in NTD programs.



We participated in the Veterinary Workforce Conference held in Nairobi, Kenya. Organized by the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH), the conference focused on the theme, "Towards a More Resilient Veterinary Workforce for Africa."

Our participation underscored our commitment to strengthening the veterinary workforce while advancing the One Health approach to address complex health challenges. During the conference, we had the opportunity to present a poster and deliver a PowerPoint presentation that highlighted our activities and achievements in advancing One Health in Tanzania.

Our presentation, titled "Tackling Health Challenges Using a Youth-Led One Health Taskforce," showcased the accomplishments of the One Health Society (OHS), including:

- The establishment of the Parliamentarian Alliance for Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR).
- Ocnducting multidisciplinary AMR surveys in Tanzania, this reached over 6,000 respondents.
- Empowering youth through capacity-building programs and linking them to global opportunities.

Our poster illustrated the milestones achieved by OHS since its inception in 2019, highlighting our progress and impact in promoting health initiatives that transcend human, animal, and environmental health. Through these efforts, we continue to pave the way for a more resilient and collaborative environment in Tanzania.



Tanzania Global
Health Advocate calls
on the importance of
One Health: Featured
by Unlimit Health, UK

In July 2024, our Director, Hamisi Msagama sat down with the Unlimit Health organization in United Kingdom to highlight the importance of One Health in Global health security and how Tanzania has been proactive in establishing National One Health Framework.

In his talk, Hamisi shared his journey as trained pharmacist and Master of Global Health who has got a chance to lead a team of dedicated youth through one Health Society in Tanzania to advocate for integrated approach in addressing zoonotic diseases and Antimicrobial Resistance. His understanding of Tanzania One Health evolution and practice added value to the talk and the article published was used by different scholars and youth who are in one health space.



### **One Health Technical Working Group workshop**

Coordinated by the Prime Minister's Office

Contribute to the review of the Terms of Reference (ToRs) for the Awareness, Advocacy, and Communication Technical Working Group, which will help the TWG operate effectively.



# National feedback and stakeholder consultation workshop for the USAID-FAO Global Health Security Project.

One Health Society participated in a national consultation workshop aimed at identifying, prioritizing, and recommending activities related to Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), zoonotic diseases, and other areas to be included in Phase 2 of FAO's implementation plan for Tanzania Mainland and Zanzibar.

The identification and prioritization of these activities were based on the challenges, recommendations, and indicator scores outlined in the Joint External Evaluation (JEE) Report 2023, the WHO JEE Benchmark, and The FAO Progressive Management Pathway (PMP).

This workshop was coordinated under The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)



# Sectoral assessment on WASH system building blocks related to access to water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) in the health sector to improve public health in Tanzania

One Health Society contributed to the sectoral assessment of WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) system building blocks in the health sector to enhance public health, organized by WaterAid Tanzania. We engaged with representatives from all key ministries and local government authorities to gather insights that shaped effective strategies for improving access to WASH services.



# Global Health Security Agenda National Stakeholders review and Validation meeting

#### Organized by the Prime Minister's office in collaboration with USAID-Breakthrough Action

OHS played a key role in the GHSA-National stakeholders meeting, leading to the design of the "Holehole Itakukosti" campaign. This workshop helped us identify and map activities related to global health security, prioritize zoonotic diseases based on stakeholder needs, and outline coordination structures while gathering community feedback.

The "Holela-Holela Itakukosti," meaning "Recklessness is Costly," supports AMR and PZDs initiatives in Tanzania. Its main objectives are to empower the audience with knowledge about Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), its causes, effects, and preventive measures, as well as to promote awareness of zoonotic diseases. The campaign encourages personal reflection and responsibility regarding behaviors contributing to AMR and fosters concern about its consequences, motivating the audience to influence positive change.

Additionally, we reviewed and validated the multimedia campaign materials created during the design workshop

## National Workshop on Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) to Strengthen National Veterinary Services.

Organized by the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH), FAO, and Tanzania Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries,

The primary aim of the workshop was to explore and develop effective strategies for fostering public-private partnerships (PPPs) in the veterinary sector. This included assessing current needs, clearly defining objectives, enhancing stakeholder engagement, and crafting sustainable PPP initiatives that can profoundly strengthen national veterinary services.

The National Workshop on Public-Private Partnerships to Strengthen National Veterinary Services was a comprehensive and insightful event. It successfully convened a diverse array of stakeholders, facilitating discussions that led to actionable strategies aimed at enhancing veterinary services through collaborative efforts.

As a result of our participation in this workshop, One Health Society achieved several key outcomes. We gained valuable insights into the specific needs and challenges faced in the veterinary domain, which will help us tailor our initiatives more effectively. Additionally, we established potential collaboration opportunities with other stakeholders, positioning us to play a pivotal role in future veterinary intervention in Tanzania. The collective knowledge shared during the workshop is anticipated to significantly contribute to the ongoing improvement of veterinary services across the nation.

## Creation of One Health Awareness and Communication Package

We contributed to the development of One Health awareness and communication package targeting Policymakers; Professional health practitioners; Community leaders; and the General public. Our expertise and experience position us to effectively contribute to the National agenda.

This workshop was coordinated under the Prime Minister's Office, One Health Section, with support from WOAH.

#### Tanzania Health Summit attendance

We participated in The Tanzania Health Summit and gathered over 1000+ key stakeholders to address critical health challenges and explore innovative solutions.

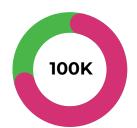
Our Attendance at the summit provided networking opportunities and facilitated discussions on actionable health strategies.

# Social Media Engagement





## Impression & Account growth rate



#### **Followers Growth**



# Positive FeedBack









# Special Recognition

One Health Society was honored with an award from the Prime Minister's Office for its proud sponsorship and significant contribution to the Tanzania One Health Conference, attended by Hon. Kassim Majaliwa, (MP) the Prime Minister of Tanzania. This recognition underscores our commitment to the One Health agenda.



# CALL FOR PARTNERSHIP AND COLLABORATIVE PROJECT ON AMR, NTDs, & ZOONOSES

### **OUR AREAS OF INTEREST**

- Research, Innovation, and Development
- Policy advocacy and Policy brief Development
- Community engagement and Empowerment
- Youth Capacity Building and Taskforce Development
- Climate and Health
- Conference and Symposium co-organization

We are open to individuals, organizations, academic institutions, non-profit organizations, government agencies, civil society organizations, and private sector entities from any country.

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# **Thank You**

