

File
CBR

LAUNCH OF CBR

20th/12/2005 – BUSIA DISTRICT

Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) is defined as a strategy within general community Development for Rehabilitation, equalization of opportunities and Social inclusion of all children and adults with disabilities themselves, their families and communities and the appropriate health, educational, vocational and social services.

CBR includes people with disabilities of all types of impairments including difficulties in hearing, speaking, moving, learning or behaving. It includes all age groups, children, youths, adults and older people.

Why CBR?

- To reach as many PWDs in the environment they are accustomed to.
- Decrease occurrences / incidences of impairments
- Manage prevalence of disability.
- Promote community participation to bring about integration / inclusion.
- Demystify disability issues from charity to development issues.
- Promote Human rights

VISION

A fully integrated PWD community, accessing equal opportunities and enjoying good quality life in society.

MISSION

Creation of an enabling environment for equalization of opportunities and services leading to improved quality of life of PWDs.

Goals of CBR

- Enhance the activities of daily living of disabled persons
- Promote awareness in respect to disability issues.
- Break barriers associated with disability.
- Promote community participation in order to encourage PWDs to participate in community activities.
- Promote community ownership of CBR programmes to ensure sustainability.

Strategies

- Mainstreaming disability issues within Sectors, Districts, Local levels, Ministries, Non-Government organizations and Private sector.

- Equity and equality of services that promote equalization of opportunities.
- Participation of PWDs in service development, delivery, Monitoring and evaluation.
- Recognition of the role of families of PWDs.
- Recognition of the role communities play in service provision to PWDs.
- Recognition of obligations and responsibilities of PWDs.
- Collaboration and networking.

According to the 2002 Uganda population and Housing Census, PWDs in Busia were:-

Physical	Hearing	Sight	Speech	Mental retardation	Mental illness	Other	Total
3551	1014	1810	262	231	253	972	8093

Special needs enrolment in primary schools per year since 1997 to date

Type of impairment	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Visual impairment	21	47	215	342	281	342	634	607	503
Hearing impairment	17	101	360	514	466	514	743	716	631
Mental retardation	35	52	107	206	109	206	819	754	680
Physical impairment	13	42	71	93	145	93	532	460	457
Other								104	158
Total	86	242	743	1155	1101	1155	2731		2430