

WASH/INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN GHANA



DR. SAMUEL KABA AKORIYEA

DIRECTOR INSTITUTIONAL CARE DIVISION- GHANA HEALTH SERVICE

TRAINING

- TRAINING IN IPC FOR 170 HEALTH FACILITIES, REGIONAL AND DISTRICT HOSPITALS, ESTABLISH WASH/IPC STRUCTURES, NATIONAL-SUB-DISTRICT.
- DEVELOPED THE POLICY
- THIRTY (30) PARTICIPANTS WERE TRAINED IN THE JHPIEGO FIVE REGIONS AND 40 TRAINED IN THE SYSTEMS FOR HEALTH REGIONS
- IN ALL 350 REGIONAL FACILITATORS WERE TRAINED. THESE FACILITATORS WERE THE REGIONAL TRAINERS IN IPC
- OVER 34 THOUSAND HEALTH STAFF TRAINED (2016-2017)



DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL GUIDELINES



- UNICEF GHANA DEVELOPED WASH TECHNICAL GUIDE BY HIRING A CONSULTANT WHO INTERVIEWED SOME DIRECTORS AT THE GHS HEADQUARTERS
- THEY WANTED GHANA HEALTH SERVICE TO IMPLEMENT THE DEVELOPED DOCUMENT. THE WASH TECHNICAL COMMITTEE INDICATED THAT THE DOCUMENT WAS NOT KNOWN BY GHS.
- THERE WAS THE NEED TO EXPOSE THE DOCUMENT TO MANAGERS AND DIRECTORS AT THE REGIONS AND HEADQUARTERS FOR THEIR INPUT AND OWNERSHIP SO THAT IT CAN BE IMPLEMENTED.
- THIS WAS AGREED AND THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP HAD AN INITIAL MEETING WITH NATIONAL WASH/IPC MASTER TRAINERS.
- SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS INCLUDED OTHER HEADQUARTERS DIVISIONS, REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES
- THIS WAS TO ORIENT THEM ON THE DOCUMENT AND SEEK FOR THEIR INPUT TO SIMPLIFY THE WORDING AND MAKE IT USER FRIENDLY

THANK YOU

