



Growth for the Future: Health eVillages extends care to children in Lwala, Kenya

The Context

- Through a partnership that began in 2012, Health eVillages has helped the Lwala Community Alliance cut early infant mortality in half (from 60:1000 to 31:1000). However, extending care past infancy is essential in sub-Saharan Africa, which accounts for half of the world's under-5 mortality (UN, 2012).
- Now Health eVillages has joined the Lwala Community Alliance in its *Thrive thru 5* campaign to cut under 5 mortality in half by 2016 in Lwala, Kenya.



How Health eVillages is helping

- In order to provide high quality hospital care for all children under 5, Health eVillages is supporting the expansion of the Lwala Community Hospital and providing Internet access to the facility so health providers can utilize technology.
- The expansion will address a direct need in Lwala because more than 115 inpatients stay at the Lwala Community Hospital each month, 52% of which are children under 5. However, the current buildings were only built to accommodate 3 beds.
- The new Health eVillages ward will contain 12 additional beds. Including 7 beds for women/children and 5 beds for men, an isolation room, exam room, and a nurse station.
- Impact: the capacity to provide inpatient care 24 hours/7days a week

Cost of the Health eVillages Ward: \$150,000

The Health eVillages Ward Plan

