



COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT FOR 2023 TO 2025

Part I. Statement of Continued Support by the Chief Executive

To our Stakeholders;

We wish to re-commit our organization to the advancement of the ten principles under the United Nations Global Compact with respect to Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-corruption.

In this annual Communication on Progress, CAHESH describes actions to continually improve the integration of the UN Global Compact and its principles into our business strategies, culture and operations. We also commit to sharing this information with other stakeholders using our primary sources of communication.

Yours Faithfully,

MacDonald Donnie Kaluwa

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. Kaluwa', is positioned below the name.

Executive Director.

Part II. Description of Actions

Registered in 2016, CAHESH has programs focusing to achieve an **ALL** inclusive and equal access to health information and services among people with disabilities and those in vulnerable situations. As a registered member of the NGO Board of Malawi, the organization has demonstrated evidence-based action for inclusion for elimination of inequalities in information dissemination and service delivery through multi-stakeholder efforts and collaboration.



OBJECTIVES

- To promote equality and non-discrimination through inclusive programming and service delivery.
- To assist in developing the social, emotional, physical, mental, spiritual, political and socio-economical abilities of persons with disabilities and those in vulnerable situations.

BRIDGING THE GAP

Despite the increases in health promotion and education activities on public health issues in Malawi, lack of such tailor made education and informative materials for elimination of inequalities and discrimination among people in vulnerable situations including those with disabilities still exists. Information

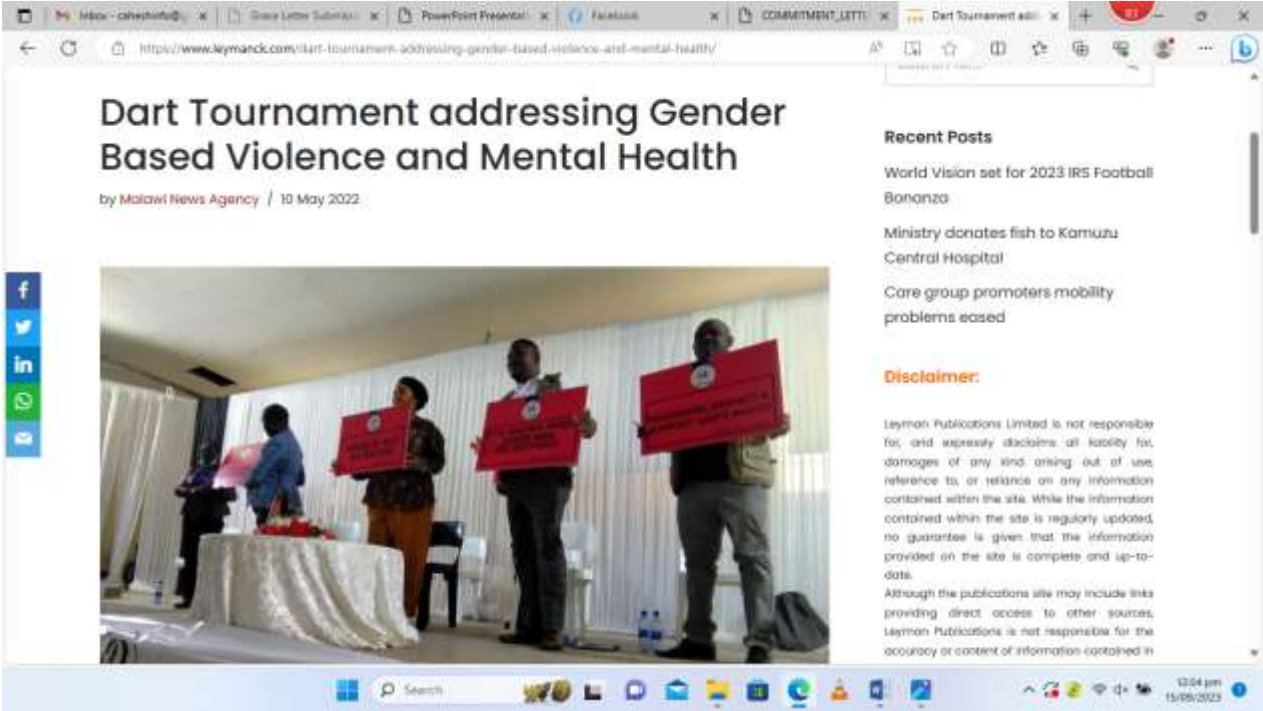
materials and approaches to disseminating information are rarely adapted to the diverse communication needs of people with disabilities. The lack of appropriate information is thought to limit the ability of people with disabilities to understand and access various vital public health information and services. Like any other individual, the rights of people with disabilities must be protected and safeguarded to meet their daily needs. In its approach, CAHESH's programming commits to work with those furthest behind first by bridging the health information gap that has for a long time existed among people with disabilities through the provision of health information in accessible formats.

CAHESH being one of the government of Malawi's partners, our work is recognized and fully participated and patronized by government officials and departments. The below picture shows the Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Welfare **Dr. Patricia Kaliyati** launching a CAHESH initiative on Ending Violence Against Women and Girls (EVAWG). is an example from a Webinar on "Elimination of Inequalities in the WASH Response to COVID-19".



Dr. Patricia Kaliyati (with trophy) launching a CAHESH initiative on Gender Based Violence

CAHESH has been instrumental in fighting for the rights of Men and Boys who in Malawi have proven to be suffering in silence because of societal norms and traditions which have resulted to numerous cases of men victimizations and suicide.



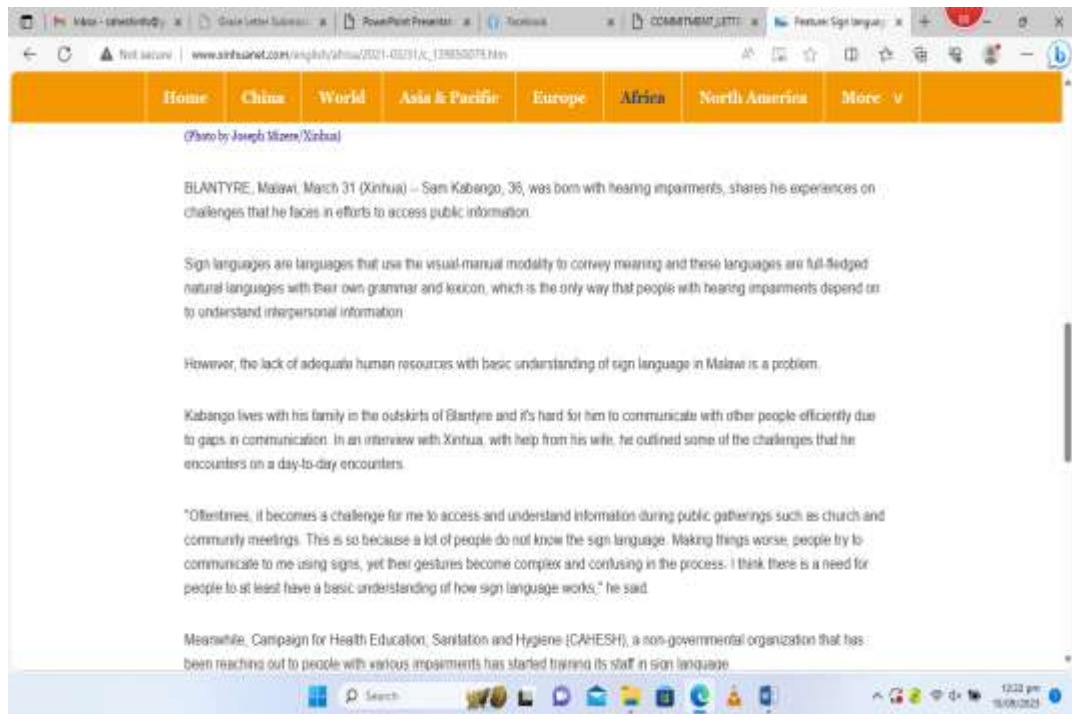
Through the years, CAHESH has also collaborated with other organizations including being part and parcel of the Malawi Irish Consortium on Gender Based Violence organized workshops.



Ministry of Gender, Jean Sendeza, MP tours CAHESH pavilion

CAHESH supports principle number 6 of labor that businesses should uphold the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation. CAHESH advocates for the inclusion of people with disability in technical entrepreneurial schools such that every person is given their opportunity to realize their full potential. In this, CAHESH works to empower various people with communication disabilities including training staff on various communication skills including sign language.





CAHESH totally supports the principle of Labor of the UN Global Compact by ensuring that issues of Occupational Health and Safety are discussed and known by all players in the industry. The organization has taken the stand of proving and equipping the informal business sector in Malawi with Occupational trainings as it is believed that the sector lags behind on issues of Health and Safety.

Part III. Measurement of Outcomes

We produced health educational resources and stakeholders' training meetings.