

Assessment Summary



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Partnership for Nutrition in Tanzania (PANITA)

Date assessed: September 2015

Established
2013

Budget
300,000 Euros

Based in
Dar es Salaam

Priorities
Nutrition and Advocacy

In 2010 Save the Children and UNICEF supported the establishment of a Partnership for Nutrition in Tanzania (PANITA) in an effort to engage civil society organisations (CSOs) from across Tanzania to help raise the profile of nutrition. Additional support from Irish Aid increased the coalition to 306 members. PANITA then registered as an independent civil society network in 2013.

The overall goal of PANITA is that all Tanzanians attain adequate nutritional status for a healthy, productive and reproductive nation. The mission of PANITA is to advance advocacy efforts, improve coordination and reduce malnutrition by strengthening the capacity of and increased mobilization and coordination of civil society organizations (CSOs), private sector organizations, the media and other development partners to facilitate a more effective national and local response to addressing malnutrition.

PANITA has been building the capacity of CSOs and other stakeholders to engage more effectively in quality services, planning and policy processes and has been advocating for increased prioritization of nutrition at the community and national level.

Summary from Assessors



PANITA has all the required processes and systems in place for an organisation of its size and history. Molly's Network rigorous assessment process highlighted that staff members, beneficiaries, Board members, donors and stakeholders are satisfied with the performance of the organisation. PANITA has a positive reputation with the community and its member organisations. That said, once PANITA begins to charge membership fee they will need to work harder to ensure they maintain their positive reputation.

● Assessed ● High potential ● Accredited

Recommendations

The Assessors recommended that PANITA gain full financial independence from Save the Children and should also consider collecting quantitative data for their monitoring and evaluation framework.

Decision

The Assessment Panel were impressed with PANITA and unanimously agreed that they should be Accredited by Molly's Network.