

Changing for the better

Nutrition Success Story from PANITA Member Afya Women Group - MUFINDI-IRINGA

Afya Women Group in joint supervision with district nutrition officer and TAHEA managed to capture a success story from Rungemba ward at Kitelewasi village where they identified two children with Severe Acute Malnutrition. These Most Vulnerable Children are twins and their names are Aaron and Anton Chaula, Aaron was found with Severe Acute Malnutrition while Anton was found with Moderate Acute Malnutrition.

They were discovered two weeks soon after being discharged from Mafinga Hospital.

Afya women group together with the team initiated a number of interventions to those children with malnutrition purposely for nutritional improvement.

Identified patients were referred to District hospital for further treatment and close follow up through our community volunteers by making sure that they use provided plump nuts and nutrition milk given from hospital. Four months of treatment and close follow up resulted to improvement health status of children as seen on the picture below.

BEFORE



AFTER



The first photo shows volunteer checking for malnutrition to the patient Aaron and Anton by using Mid-Upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) Tape. The second photo shows a health smile of Aaron and Anton together with their mother after treatment.